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Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

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SUBJECT: Library Foundation of Lake County, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for:

□ \$70.00 Filing Fee □ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status □\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate

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FROM: Name:	Lori Baker, Secretary
Address:	2306 S. Bay Street Eustis, Florida 32726
Daytime Telephone number	(352) 357-0872
E-mail address:	lori@becreative-inc.com

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be

Library Foundation of Lake County, Inc.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The corporation shall maintain a principal office in the State of Florida. The initial principal office and the initial mailing address of the corporation is:

2306 S. Bay Street Eustis, Florida 32726

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

- A. The foundation is organized and operated exclusively for educational and charitable purposes under Chapter 617, Florida Statues and Section 501(C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or to any corresponding provision of any future tax law. The foundation shall exist to provide resources that enable the Lake County Library System to enhance programs and services that enrich the lives of Lake County residents.
- B. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (i) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(C)(3) of the Code (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax code), or,(ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(C)(2) of the Code (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax code).

ARTICLE IV NOT FOR PROFIT

- A. The corporation is a not-for-profit corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. The corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any trustee, director or officer of the Corporation, or to any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation), and no trustee, director or officer shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets upon dissolution of the Corporation. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or participating in or intervening in (including the publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. All assets of the corporation shall be used for charitable purposes.
- B. It is intended that the corporation shall have and continue to have the status of a corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation as an organization described in Code 501(c)(3), and which is

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other than a private foundation as defined in Code 509. These articles shall be construed accordingly, and all powers and activities of the corporation shall be limited accordingly.

ARTICLE V POWERS

Solely for the above purposes, the corporation shall have the following powers:

- A. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida on nonprofit corporations, including but not limited to those set forth in Florida Statutes Chapter 617 and the following powers: to acquire by bequest, devise, gift, grant, donation, contribution, purchase, lease or otherwise any property of any sort or nature without limitations to it amount or value and to hold, invest, reinvest, manage, use, apply, employ, sell, expend, disburse, lease, mortgage, convey, option, grant, donate, or otherwise dispose of the property and the income, principal and proceeds of the property.
- B. To engage in and transact any other lawful activity, solely in furtherance of the above purposes for which nonprofit corporations may be incorporated under the Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation Act and any successor or amendment to the Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation Act.
- C. To do any other things as are incidental to the powers of the corporation, or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish the purposes of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI DISSOLUTION

Upon the termination, dissolution or final liquidation of the Corporation in any manner and for any reason, the Board of Directors shall first pay or provide for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation; all remaining assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code (or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code), or shall be distributed to the local County government for a public purpose. Any of the assets not so distributed shall be distributed in accordance with the direction of any court having jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for the above purposes of the corporation or to a qualified organization or organizations as the court shall determine.

ARTICLE VII MANNER OF ELECTION

There shall be a board of directors consisting of at least four voting individuals. The initial directors are elected by the incorporators. After that, each director shall be elected by majority vote of the board of directors in the manner, and at the times, set forth in the bylaws. Any director may be removed by the affirmative vote of a least two-thirds of the board of directors. Nominations for new members of the Board shall be made by application. New Board members will be nominated and approved as part of a prescribed application and ratification process.

ARTICLE VIII OFFICERS

The officers of the corporation may consist of a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and any other officers and assistant officers as may be provided for in the bylaws or by resolution of the board of directors. Each officer shall be elected by majority vote of the board of directors (and may be removed by majority vote of the board of directors) at such a time, and in such a manner, as may be prescribed by the bylaws or by law.

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ARTICLE IX MEMBERSHIP

The corporation shall not have members, and shall not issue membership certificates. The corporation shall not issue shares of stock.

ARTICLE X BYLAWS

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The bylaws of the corporation are to be made and adopted by the board of directors and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the board of directors.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS

The corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these article of incorporation or make any amendment to them.

ARTICLE XII COMMENCEMENT

The date when the corporate existence shall commence shall be the date of filing of these Articles with the Secretary of State Florida.

ARTICLE XIII DURATION OF CORPORATE EXISTANCE

The duration (term) of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE XIV INITIAL INCORPORATORS AND INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Name and Title: Address:	Mike Levine, Chairman 1100 South US Highway 27 Woodridge Plaza, Suite E Clermont, Florida 34714		Judy Snell, Treasurer P.O. Drawer 29 Umatilla, Florida 32784
Name and	Catherine Hanson, Vice Chairman	Name and	Lori Baker, Secretary
Title:	25715 State Road 46	Title:	2306 S. Bay Street
Address:	Sorrento, Florida 32776	Address:	Eustis, Florida 32726
Name	Paul Alford, Ex Offcio Director	Name and	Julia Law, Esq.
and Title:	2401 Woodlea Road	Title:	250 S. Main Street
Address:	Tavares, Florida 32778	Address:	Groveland, Florida 34736

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ARTICLE XV INDEMNIFICAION AND CIVIL LIABILITY IMMUNITY

The corporation shall indemnify each director and officer, including former directors and officers, to the fullest extent allowed by law, including but not limited to Florida Statues Chapter 617. It is intended that the corporation be an organization the officers and directors of which are immune from civil liability to the extent provided under Florida Statues Chapter 617 and other similar laws.

ARTICLE XVI REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the registered agent is: Name: Lori Baker, Secretary

Address: 2306 S. Bay Street Eustis, Florida 32726

ARTICLE XVII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Name: Lori Baker, Secretary

Address: 2306 S. Bay Street Eustis, Florida 32726

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

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<u>11 /25/13</u>

Date

Lori M. Baker Required Signature of Registered Agent

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

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Required Signature of Incorporator

Date

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