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

SUBJECT:	EQUALLY CONFIDENT FOUNDATION INC
	(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

\$70.00 \$78.75 \$875.50 Filing Fee & Filing Fee & Filing Fee, Certificate of & Certified Copy & Certified Copy & Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: KELLY L TRAUTWEIN

Name (Printed or typed)

7754 STATE ROAD 72

Address

SARASOTA FL 34241-9691

City, State & Zip

941-926-0355

Daytime Telephone number

KTTKD@HOTMAIL.COM

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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

The undersigned, for the purposes of becoming incorporated under Chapter 617 of the laws of the State of Florida, a Corporation Not for Profit, declare:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be: EQUALLY CONFIDENT FOUNDATION, INC.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office shall be: 7754 State Road 72 Sarasota FL 34241-8509

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purposes for which this corporation is organized are as follows:

To promote, solicit, and encourage contributions from community organizations both private and public, and from individuals, of monies, real and personal property and other objects or items of value, by donation, dedication, gift, bequest, devise, or otherwise, which contributions might be beneficially devoted to the public activities of the Equally Confident Foundation, Inc.

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To promote and encourage community organizations and individuals in interests and endeavors leading to the empowering and building confidence in the more vulnerable in our society thru the use and study of martial arts

In general, and subject to the limitations herein set forth, to exercise all of the rights and powers which are now or may hereafter be conferred on corporations not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida or which are necessary or incidental to the powers so conferred, or conducive to the purposes of the Corporation, provided always that such powers may be exercised by an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code of 1954 and its regulations, as they now exist or may hereafter be amended, and by an organization contributions to which are deductible under Section 170c(2) of the Code and Regulations.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, The Corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and its regulations, as the now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, or by an organization contributions to which are deductible under Section 170c(2) of the Code and Regulations.

All of the assets and income of the Corporation shall be used only for purposes hereinabove set out, including the payment of expenses incidental thereto and the payment of reasonable compensation for services rendered, and no part of its assets, net earnings or income shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, or officers, or other private persons.

No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

In the event of dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation hereinabove set forth, provided no such assets shall be distributed other than to or for the benefit of the intended purpose of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV BOARD OF DIRECTORS - MANNER OF ELECTION

The Directors of the Corporation shall be residents of the state of Florida whose names are set forth in <u>ARTICLE VII</u> and designated as the firs Board of Directors and such other person or persons as the Board of Directors may elect, by vote of a majority of the members of the Board present at any meeting.

ARTICLE V TERM OF EXISTENCE

The term for which the Corporation is to exist is perpetual.

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ARTICLE VI MANAGEMENT OF AFFAIRS

The affairs of the Corporation are to be managed by a Board of Directors. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of three (3) persons. The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in the manner prescribed in the By-laws. The General Manager of the Equally Confident Foundation, Inc. or his/her designee shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors.

The Directors shall be members of the Corporation.

The members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by members of the Corporation and hold office in accordance with the By-laws.

The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as Directors until the first meeting of the Corporation are as follows:

Executive Director: Kelly L Trautwein 7754 State Road 72 Sarasota FL 34241-9691 Director:

Richard R Trautwein 7754 State Road 72 Sarasota FL 34241-9691

Director:

Richard C Trautwein 7754 State Road 72 Sarasota FL 34241-9691

Director:

Brooke N Bairos 7754 State Road 72 Sarasota FL 34241-9691

Director: Kyle N Trautwein 7754 State Road 72

Sarasota FL 34241-9691

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ARTICLE VII FIRST OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall include a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers as the Board of Directors may from time to time deem necessary or appropriate. Officers shall be elected by and serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. The names of the officer officers who are to serve until the first election under the Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

President:

Kelly L Trautwein

Vice-President:

Brooke N Bairos

Secretary:

Richard R Trautwein

Treasurer:

Richard C Trautwein

Assistant Secretary:

Kyle N Trautwein

ARTICLE VIII ADOPTION AND CHANGE OF BY-LAWS

The Board of Directors of this Corporation may provide By-laws for the conduct of the Corporation's business in the carrying out of its purposes, as it may deem necessary from time to time.

Upon proper notice the By-laws may be amended, altered, or rescinded by a majority vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular or any special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE IX AMENDEMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and/or By-laws may be proposed by any member of the Board of Directors and such amendment(s) may be adopted by a vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors present at a meeting called specifically for such purpose. Any amendment(s) may not be approved at the same meeting in which they are presented.

ARTICLE X REGISTERED AGENT

In compliance with Florida Statutes Section 48.091 and 617.023, the following submitted as the Corporation's Registered Agent:

Kelly L Trautwein 7754 State Road 72 Sarasota FL 34241-9691

Having been named Registered Agent for the above identified Corporation, the undersigned hereby accepts said appointment, and agrees to comply with the provisions of Florida Statues Section 48.091 relative to keeping the office open.

Dated: January 10, 2014

Kelly L Trautwein, Registered Agent

ARTICLE XI INCORPORATOR/SUBSCRIBER

The name and address of the Incorporator/Subscriber to the Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

Kelly L Trautwein 7754 State Road 72 Sarasota FL 34241-9691

_ Dated: January <u>10</u>, 2014

Kèlly L Trautwein, Incorporator/Subscriber