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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

THE MERIDIAN SOCIETY INC.

The undersigned, for the purpose of organizing a non-profit, non-stock corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, hereby certifies as follows:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be The Meridian Society Inc. (hereinafter, the "Corporation").

ARTICLE II

The principal place of business and mailing address of the Corporation is 2288 Ashton Oaks Lane #201, Naples, FL 34109

ARTICLE III

The Corporation shall be organized and operated exclusively to promote social welfare within the meaning of Code Section 501(c)(4) by engaging in activities related to the organization and hosting of lectures, town hall meetings and other events relating to civic affairs, governance and political topics relevant to residents of South Florida.

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its officers, directors or any other private individuals or organizations organized and operated for profit (except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to or for the Corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this Article III).

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not directly or indirectly carry on any activity which would prevent it from obtaining exemption from Federal income taxation as an organization described in Code Section 501(c)(4), or cause it to lose such exempt status.

ARTICLE IV

Directors shall be elected, appointed and removed as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation, as the same may be amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

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ARTICLE V

The initial directors of the Corporation are:

Earle Borman
2288 Ashton Oaks Lane #201
Naples, FL 34109

Doug McMarlin
2117 Imperial Circle
Naples, FL 34110

Tim Crawford
6165 Mori St.
McLean, VA 22101

ARTICLE VI

The name and street address of the initial registered agent of the Corporation are CT Corporation System, 1200 South Pine Island Road, Plantation, FL 33324

ARTICLE VII

The name and mailing address of the incorporator are E. Mark Braden, Baker & Hostetter LLP, 1050 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 1100, Washington, D.C. 20036.

ARTICLE VIII

To further the Corporation's objects and purposes, the Corporation shall have all the general powers enumerated in the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as now in effect or as hereafter amended, that are consistent with Article III of these Articles. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Corporation shall have the power to receive grants, gifts, contributions and other sums of a like nature, outright, in trust, or in any other form, and the power to maintain a fund or funds of real or personal property for any corporate purpose.

ARTICLE IX

The Corporation is not organized for profit and shall not have authority to issue capital stock.

ARTICLE X

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE XI

Except as otherwise provided by law, the Bylaws of the Corporation or these Articles, the Corporation shall be governed by its Board of Directors, which shall have (subject to the

limitations set forth in these Articles) all powers conferred by law to manage the Corporation and its activities. The qualifications and rights, including voting rights, of the directors shall be as set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XII

The Corporation shall indemnify its directors and officers for the defense of civil or criminal actions or proceedings as set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation. The personal liability of the directors and officers of the Corporation is hereby eliminated to the fullest extent permitted by the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE XIII

Upon dissolution or final liquidation of the Corporation, the Board of Directors, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the Corporation, shall dispose of all the assets exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation and in such manner, or to such organization or organizations, as shall be deemed to qualify as devoted to the purposes of the Corporation. In no event shall any of such assets or property be distributed to any director or officer, or any private individual.

ARTICLE XIV

References herein to sections of the "Code" are to sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, or to the corresponding provisions of any future United States internal revenue law. References herein to the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act are to the provisions of such law, as amended from time to time, or to the corresponding provisions of any subsequent Florida not for profit law.

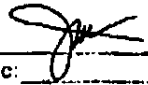
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned, have subscribed and acknowledged these Articles this 14th day of July, 2014.


E. Mark Braden, Incorporator

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, the undersigned, hereby states that the undersigned is familiar with and accepts the appointment as registered agent and agrees to act in this capacity.

CT CORPORATION SYSTEM

By: 
Name: _____
Title: Judith Argao
Date: 7/14/14 Vice President
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