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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE GEORGE AND MARIAMMA THOMAS FOUNDATION, INC.
A Florida Not for Profit Corporation**

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a Florida not-for-profit corporation, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I.
NAME**

The name of the Corporation is:

THE GEORGE AND MARIAMMA THOMAS FOUNDATION, INC.

**ARTICLE II.
ADDRESS**

The principal place of business address and the mailing address is:

4610 Riverview Blvd. West
Bradenton, FL 34209

**ARTICLE III.
PURPOSE OF CORPORATION**

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, or such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**ARTICLE IV.
EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF CORPORATION**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof. 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 or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax

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code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE V.
DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VI.
NO MEMBERSHIP

There shall be no membership in this Corporation.

ARTICLE VII.
MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATION

All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of, a Board of Directors consisting of no less than three (3) persons, and no more than seven (7) persons. The election of directors and their terms of holding office shall be as regulated by the bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII.
OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors at such time and in such manner as regulated by the bylaws of the Corporation. Such other officers and assistant officers and agents as may be deemed necessary may be elected or appointed by the Board of Directors or chosen in such other manner as regulated by the bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IX.
AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by the Directors of the Corporation at any regular or special business meeting called for that purpose, provided that notice of the proposed amendment has been given to each member of the Board of Directors no more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days prior to the meeting. Any action of the Board of Directors to amend these Articles shall require an affirmative vote of three-quarters (3/4) of the then elected and qualified Directors of the Corporation.

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ARTICLE X.
BY-LAWS

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The by-laws may contain any provisions for the regulation and management of the affairs of the Corporation not inconsistent with law or these Articles of Incorporation. The power to adopt and amend by-laws shall be vested in the Board of Directors. By-laws may be adopted or amended by the Directors of the Corporation at any regular or special business meeting called for that purpose, provided that notice of said meeting has been given to each member of the Board of Directors no more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days prior to the meeting. Any action of the Board of Directors to adopt or amend by-laws shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the then elected and qualified Directors of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI.
REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

Dr. George Thomas
4610 Riverview Blvd. West
Bradenton, FL 34209

ARTICLE XII.
INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator is:

Dr. George Thomas
4610 Riverview Blvd. West
Bradenton, FL 34209

ARTICLE XIII.
DIRECTORS

The name and street address of the initial directors are:

Dr. George Thomas
4610 Riverview Blvd. West
Bradenton, FL 34209

Mrs. Mariamma Thomas
4610 Riverview Blvd. West
Bradenton, FL 34209

Michael M. Hamrick
601 12th St. W.
Bradenton, FL 34205

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, I, George Thomas, the Incorporator of THE GEORGE AND MARIAMMA THOMAS FOUNDATION, INC. has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed this 26th day of December, 2014. I am the incorporator submitting these Articles of Incorporation and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that 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. I understand the requirement to file an annual report between January 1st and May 1st in the calendar year following formation of this corporation and every year thereafter to maintain "active" status.

THE GEORGE AND MARIAMMA
THOMAS FOUNDATION, INC.

By: 

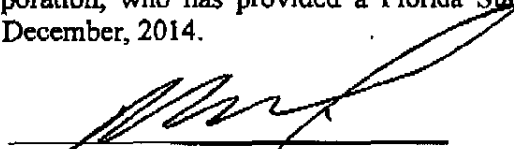
Name: George Thomas, as Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MANATEE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by George Thomas, as Incorporator of THE GEORGE AND MARIAMMA THOMAS FOUNDATION, INC., a Florida Not For Profit Corporation, on behalf of the corporation, who has provided a Florida State driver's license as identification, on this 26th day of December, 2014.



MICHAEL M. HAMRICK
MY COMMISSION # FF 109782
EXPIRES: July 18, 2018
Rendered True Notary Services


(Notary Public – State of Florida)

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for THE GEORGE AND MARIAMMA THOMAS FOUNDATION, INC., a Florida Not For Profit Corporation, at the place designated in the articles of incorporation, the undersigned is familiar with and accepts the obligation of that position under F.S. 617.0501.

Date: December 26, 2014

By: 

Name: George Thomas, as Registered Agent

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