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## **COVER LETTER**

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

SUBJECT: Starfish Educational 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:

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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Catherine A. Bateman

Name (Printed or typed)

113 30th Avenue S

Address

Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

City, State & Zip

704-526-6835

Daytime Telephone number

judahcat127@gmail.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, a majority of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation under the Non-Profit Corporation Law of Florida, do hereby certify:

Article i: The name of the Corporation shall be Starfish Educational Foundation, Inc.

Article II: The place in this state where the principal office of the Corporation is to be located is:

113 30th Avenue S

Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250

**Duval County** 

Article III: Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for 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.

The vision of SEF is to lift up transformational leaders in troubled countries who will be instrumental in bringing long term changes.

The mission of SEF is to provide outstanding education and moral support for certain children and young people (Starfish) who demonstrate great potential, but have no opportunity to succeed in their own country.

SEF will provide funding for tuition, school fees, uniforms, books, supplies, lodging and food related to school, and other related expenses for educational success. Further, SEF will provide periodic support to missionaries or volunteers who are living in the Starfish's country and assisting in the logistics related to the education of these education recipients.

Article IV: Directors and officers will be elected at the annual meeting for three year terms.

Article V: Initial Directors and officers are as follows:

Catherine A Bateman/President 113 30th Avenue S

Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

Jacquelyn Sue Polo/Vice President 560 Bay Shore Drive

Terra Ceia, FL 34250

Audrey Leanne Martin/Director 250 Boulder Drive

Denver, PA 17517

Article VI: Registered Agent

Catherine A Bateman

113 30th Avenue S

Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250



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Article VII: Incorporator

Catherine A Bateman

113 30th Avenue S

Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

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### Article VIII:

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 Third 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 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.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

# Article IX:

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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.

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

Catherine A Bateman/Required Signature of Registered Agent

Date

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.

Catherine A Bateman/Required Signature of Incorporator

Date