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June 3, 2015

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

Re: The Friends of the Brentwood Public Library, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

Please find enclosed for filing the following documents:

- 1. Articles of Incorporation for The Friends of the Brentwood Public Library, Inc. (a not for profit corporation);
- 2. Designation of Registered Agent; and
- 3. Acceptance of Registered Agent.

I respectfully request two (2) certified copies of the Articles of Incorporation following the filing of same.

Please find enclosed a U.S. Postal Money Order in the amount of \$87.50 made payable to the Florida Department of State. The money order covers the filing fee for the Articles of Incorporation (\$35.00); the filing fee for the Designation of Registered Agent (\$35.00); and the fee for the two (2) certified copies (\$17.50).

Thank you for your courtesies in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

William D. Brinton

WDB:khl Enclosures

Articles of Incorporation

of

The Friends of the Brentwood Public Library, Inc. A General Not-For Profit Corporation

We, the undersigned:

- Sharon Coon
 101 West 27th Street
 Jacksonville, Florida 32206
- Melvin C. Turnage
 4953 Red Pine Ct.
 Jacksonville, Florida 32210
- Chloe M. Turnage
 4953 Red Pine Ct.
 Jacksonville, Florida 32210
- John Reazer
 13000 Broxton Bay Drive, Apt. 533
 Jacksonville, Florida 32218
- Mark McCray
 2710 Spoonbill Trail
 Orange Park, Florida 32070
- 6. Hubert W. Gill 1751 University Blvd. South Jacksonville, Florida 32216

Being natural persons of the age of eighteen (18) years or more and being citizens of the United States, for the purposes of forming a corporation under the "General Not For Profit Corporation Law" of the State of Florida, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

- 1. NAME: The name of the corporation is The Friends of the Brentwood Public Library, Inc.
- 2. PRINCIPAL OFFICE: The principal street address, which is the same as the mailing address, for the Corporation is 4953 Red Pine Ct., Jacksonville, Florida 32210.
 - 3. DURATION: The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual.



- 4. PURPOSES: The purposes for which the Corporation is organized are exclusively charitable, educational or scientific within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and more particularly its purposes are:
- a. To ensure that the Brentwood branch public library is open to all seven days a week.
- b. To promote the education of the community through the active and continuous use of the Brentwood branch public library.
- c. To advocate for a public library system that meets its mission to the citizens of Jacksonville, not just in words but also in deeds.
- d. To continue and strengthen the support base for the Brentwood branch public library in such a manner that it will always be an effective voice for the community.
- e. To identify the multiple ways that the Brentwood branch public library serves the community, and to ensure that all appropriate elected officials and decision-makers have the information necessary to understand the importance of the Brentwood branch public library to Brentwood citizens, residents and property owners:
- f. To coordinate local support efforts for branch public libraries; to provide information to community groups, civic groups, governmental agencies, and individuals and organizations interested in maintaining a healthy quality of life through a strong branch public library system; to research, study, and analyze governmental policies affecting public libraries; and to encourage and foster any such other activity that has the purpose of promoting appreciation and preservation of branch public libraries.
- g. To serve as an advocate for the Brentwood branch public library, an urban core library, and to use our combined resources, ideas and energies to enhance the Brentwood branch public library's environment.
- h. To support the Brentwood branch public library programs, and to support educational activities in the urban core community neighborhood in and around the Brentwood community.
- i. To stimulate community awareness of the Brentwood branch public library resources and build a greater understanding of its importance in an urban core community, and to network with the community as an advocate for branch libraries.
- j. To increase citizen participation in local policy issues involving access to and utilization of branch libraries like the Brentwood branch public library so as to improve the overall quality of life in the Brentwood community.
- k. To do anything, perform any act, and exercise any right in any power now hereafter conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon a general not-for-profit corporation

organized under the laws of the State of Florida, and in general, to carry on any of the activities herein set forth to the same extent and as fully as a natural person might or could do. However, nothing set forth in these Articles shall be construed as authorizing the corporation to possess any purpose, object, or power to do anything forbidden by law to a not-for-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida or to engage in activity not approved by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including any substitute or successor section. The corporation shall not possess or exercise any power or authority, either expressly, by interpretation or by operation of law which will prevent it from at any time qualifying and continuing to qualify as a corporation described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including any substitute or successor section.

- 4. MANNER OF ELECTION: The directors shall be elected by the voting members. The voting members shall consist of the Board of Directors, any Honorary Members designated as voting members by the Board of Directors, any Emeritus Members designated as voting members by the Board of Directors, any Life Members designated as voting members by the Board of Directors, and any additional members designated as voting members in accordance with the Bylaws.
- 5. INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The initial Board of Directors shall be six (6) in number and their names and addresses being as follows:
 - a. Sharon Coon101 West 27th StreetJacksonville, Florida 32206
 - b. Melvin C. Turnage4953 Red Pine Ct.Jacksonville, Florida 32210
 - c. Chloe M. Turnage4953 Red Pine Ct.Jacksonville, Florida 32210
 - d. John Reazer13000 Broxton Bay Drive, Apt. 533Jacksonville, Florida 32218
 - e. Mark McCray 2710 Spoonbill Trail Orange Park, Florida 32070
 - f. Hubert W. Gill 1751 University Blvd. South Jacksonville, Florida 32216

- 6. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS: The name of the Corporation's initial Registered Agent is: William D. Brinton. The Florida street address of the Corporation's initial Registered Office in the State of Florida is: 1301 Riverplace Blvd., Suite 1500, Jacksonville, Florida 32207. The initial Registered Agent's business office is identical with the Corporation's initial Registered Office.
- 7. INUREMENT OF INCOME: No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons or entities except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to reimburse individuals for amounts expended by them in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 4 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 (including the publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of 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, including any substitute or successor section.
- 8. LEGISLATIVE OR POLITICAL ACTIVITIES: 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 (including the publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- 9. OPERATIONAL LIMITATIONS: 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, including any substitute or successor section, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deducted under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, including any substitute or successor section.
- 10. DISSOLUTION: Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (including any substitute or successor section or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors may determine. Any asset not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the circuit court 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 the court shall determine, which are organized and operating exclusively for such purposes.

- 11. INCORPORATORS: The names and addresses of the incorporators are:
- a. Sharon Coon
 101 West 27th Street
 Jacksonville, Florida 32206
- b. Melvin C. Turnage4953 Red Pine Ct.Jacksonville, Florida 32210
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands as incorporators of the Corporation as of the 30th day of May, 2015.

Sharon Coon

Melvin Turnage

John Reazer

Mark McCray

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DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT

In compliance with Sections 48.091 and 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

That The Friends of the Brentwood Public Library, Inc., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal place of business in Jacksonville, Florida, named William D. Brinton, located at 1301 Riverplace Blvd., Suite 1500, Jacksonville, Florida, 32207, as its agent to accept service of process within Florida.

THE FRIENDS OF THE BRENTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY, INC.

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| Melvin C. Turnage, Incorporator/Chair | |
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ACCEPTANCE AS REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, the undersigned hereby agrees to act in this capacity, and further agrees to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties. In addition, the undersigned hereby acknowledges that he is familiar with, and accepts, the obligations provided for in Section 617.0503, Florida Statutes.

William D. Brinton

Dated: 6 3 2015