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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SPACE COAST REALTORS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, INC.

The undersigned hereby forms a corporation not for profit under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, and, for these purposes, does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be Space Coast Realtors Charitable Foundation, Inc. (the "Corporation"), a Florida not for profit corporation.

#### **ARTICLE II - PURPOSES**

This Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational 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 of 1986, as amended. In furtherance thereof, the Corporation shall attempt to improve the public's understanding of the role of realtors in our society and attempt to improve the public perception of the role of realtors in our society.

In no event shall this Corporation engage in any activity which would be contrary to the purposes and activities: (1) permitted to be engaged in by any organization the activities of which are exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; or (2) of a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder.

The Corporation shall not engage, nor shall any of its funds, property, or income be used, in carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall the Corporation participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any politically campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, nor shall the Corporation engage in subversive activities.

The Corporation shall not be operated for the primary purpose of carrying on an unrelated trade or business as defined in Section 513 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder.

No compensation shall be paid to any officer, director, trustee, creator or organizer of the Corporation or substantial contributor to it except as a reasonable allowance for services actually rendered to or for the Corporation.

The Corporation is organized to serve public interests. Accordingly, it shall not be operated for the benefit of private interests.

#### ARTICLE III - POWERS

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The Corporation shall have all the powers granted to not for profit Corporations under the laws of the State of Florida which are necessary or convenient to effect any and all purposes for which the Corporation is organized. Subject to any applicable limitations, the Corporation shall have the power to receive, accept, use, hold, manage, and dispose of all types of real and personal property given, transferred, devised, or bequeathed to it, in trust or otherwise, for the purposes described above and for any purposes incidental thereto. In no event, however, shall the Corporation have or exercise any power which would cause it not to qualify as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) or Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder; nor shall the Corporation engage directly or indirectly in any activity which would cause the loss of such qualification. No part of the assets or the net earnings, current or accumulated, of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.

#### ARTICLE IV - MEMBERS

The categories of membership, qualifications for membership, and the manner of admission shall be as set forth in and regulated by the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE V - TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence, commencing on the filing of these Articles with the Florida Department of State,

#### ARTICLE VI - DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors consisting of not less than three (3) persons. The number of directors and the manner of their election shall be set forth in the Bylaws of this Corporation.

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Treasurer and Secretary and such other officers as provided in the Bylaws. The officers of the Corporation shall be elected and removed as set forth in the Bylaws of this Corporation. The same individual may hold more than one office in the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII - FIRST BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The number of persons constituting the first Board of Directors shall be five (5), and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first election are as follows:

<u>Name</u>

Address

Lynnette Hendricks

105 McLeod Street Merritt Island, Florida 32953 Louise McLean

105 McLeod Street

Merritt Island, Florida 32953

Nona Swann

105 McLeod Street

Merritt Island, Florida 32953

Michael Artelli

105 McLeod Street

Merritt Island, Florida 32953

Lynn Jones

105 McLeod.Street

Merritt Island, Florida 32953

#### ARTICLE VIII - INITIAL OFFICERS

The initial officers shall be elected by the initial Board of Directors in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE IX - BYLAWS

The Bylaws of the Corporation shall be adopted, altered, amended and rescinded by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a meeting of the Board of Directors duly called and held in accordance with the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by the Board of Directors, by majority vote, at a meeting of the Board of Directors duly called and held in accordance with the Bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE XI - DISSOLUTION**

Upon the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation, its assets, if any, remaining after payment (or provision for payment) of all liabilities of the Corporation, shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes to, and only to, (i) any one or more organizations qualified as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder, or (ii) the federal government or to a state or local government for public purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be distributed by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is located, exclusively for the purposes described herein, to such organization or organizations as said Court shall determine. No part of the assets or the net earnings, current or accumulated, of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.

#### ARTICLE XII - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this Corporation shall be:

105 McLeod Street Merritt Island, Florida 32953

The name of the initial registered agent of this Corporation shall be;

Leah M. Selig

# ARTICLE XIII - CORPORATION'S PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND/OR MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office and mailing address of this Corporation shall be:

105 McLeod Street Merritt Island, Florida 32953

#### **ARTICLE XIV - INCORPORATOR**

The following is the name and street address of the incorporator signing these Articles:

Leah M. Selig 105 McLeod Street Merritt Island, Florida 32953

[Signature Page to Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and seal this 22day of Suptember 2015.

Leah M. Selig

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF BREVARD

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation were acknowledged before me this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of day of 2015, by Leah M. Selig, W who is personally known to me or who produced a Florida driver's license as identification and who did not take an oath.

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My commission expires: July 11, 20/8

### CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE AS REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned, having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the above stated Corporation at the place designated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, hereby accepts this appointment as such Registered Agent and agrees to act in this capacity. The undersigned further agrees to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of the undersigned's duties. The undersigned further certifies that the undersigned is familiar with and accepts the obligations of such position as Registered Agent.

Leah M. Selig, an individual