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**Articles of Incorporation
of
The Friends of the Dallas Graham Public Library, Inc.
A General Not-For Profit Corporation**

We, the undersigned:

1. William D. Brinton
1825 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205
2. Richard Cuff
2255 Dunn Avenue, Suite #601C
Jacksonville, Florida 32218
3. Ramonda E. Fields
1251 Hart Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32209
4. Tia Keitt
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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 Dallas Graham Public Library, Inc.

2. PRINCIPAL OFFICE: The principal street address, which is the same as the mailing address, for the Corporation is 1440 N. Myrtle Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida 32209.

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 Dallas Graham 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 Dallas Graham 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 Dallas Graham 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 Dallas Graham 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 Dallas Graham branch public library to the citizens, residents and property owners of the community in and around the Dallas Graham branch public library, including but not limited to the Durkeeville Midwest community.

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 Dallas Graham branch public library, an urban core library, and to use our combined resources, ideas and energies to enhance the Dallas Graham branch public library's environment.

h. To support the Dallas Graham branch public library programs, and to support educational activities in the urban core community neighborhood in and around the Dallas Graham branch public library, including but not limited to the Durkeeville Midwest community.

i. To stimulate community awareness of the Dallas Graham 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 Dallas Graham branch public library so as to improve the overall quality of life in the community in and around the Dallas Graham branch public library, including but not limited to the Durkeeville Midwest 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 ten (10) in number and their names and addresses being as follows:

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- b. Richard Cuff
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- e. Celia A. Miller
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Jacksonville, Florida 32209

- f. Florence Patterson
1566 W. 25th Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32209
- g. Kathy Senior
7188 Rapid River Drive N.
Jacksonville, Florida 32219
- h. Lynn Sherman
1452 Bassett Road
Jacksonville, Florida 32208
- i. Loretta Wiggins
9705 Sappington Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32208
- j. Shaquanta Williams
1131 West 6th Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32209

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, 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.

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.

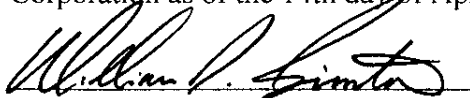
10. DISSOLUTION: Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization 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.

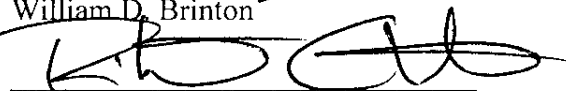
11. INCORPORATORS: The names and addresses of the incorporators are:

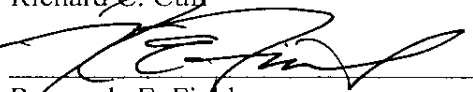
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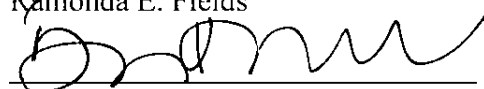
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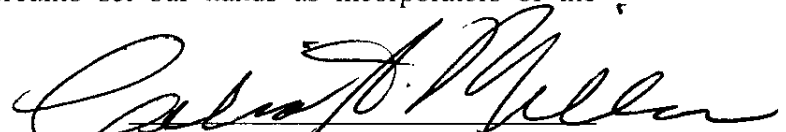
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands as incorporators of the Corporation as of the 14th day of April, 2015.

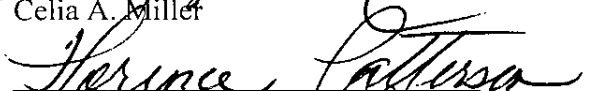

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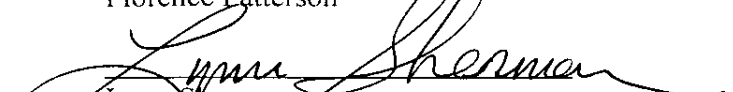

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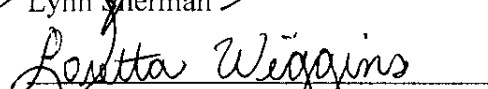

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Lynn Sherman


Loretta Wiggins

DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT

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

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

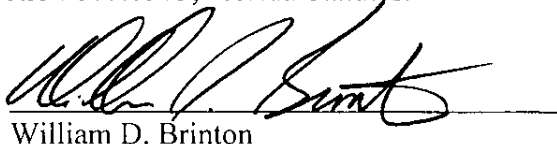
THE FRIENDS OF THE DALLAS GRAHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY, INC.

By: 
Celia A. Miller, Incorporator/Chair

Dated: April 14, 2016

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: April 14, 2016

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