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January 5, 2017

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

RE:

Sarasota Military Academy Foundation, Inc.

Articles of Incorporation

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find our check in the amount of \$78.75, to cover the cost of the filing fee as well as the cost of a certified copy, along with the original of the Articles of Incorporation of Sarasota Military Academy Foundation, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation.

I understand that you will forward a confirmation letter to include the corporation's name, assigned document number, filed date and its effective date.

If anything further is requested, please advise.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

F. STEVEN HERB

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SARASOTA MILITARY ACADEMY FOUNDATION, INC.

These Articles of Incorporation are signed by the incorporator for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under the provisions of Florida Statutes, Chapter 617, as follows:

ARTICLE 1.

NAME and ADDRESS

The name of this Corporation is the Sarasota Military Academy Foundation, Inc. The mailing and street address is: 801 North Orange Avenue, Sarasota, Florida, 34236

ARTICLE 2.

PURPOSE and POWERS

The purpose and powers of the Corporation are to:

- (a) To receive, accept, and administer for the benefit of the Sarasota Military Ecademy High School and the Sarasota Military Academy Preparatory School (hereinafter together referred to as SMA) any funds, and tangible or intangible property, donated to the corporation;
- (b) To aid, enrich and support the educational programs, facilities, staff, administration and extracurricular programs of SMA;
 - (c) To enhance the learning experience of the students attending SMA
- (d) The Corporation is and shall be, empowered to receive by gift, grant, purchase, devise, bequest, or in any other lawful manner, any real or personal property, and to hold, use,

improve, operate, manage, lease, convey, convert, invest, dispose of by gift, sale, lease or otherwise, and transfer any or all of such real or personal property, and to use the same in any lawful manner for the furtherance of its purposes herein stated, and to do and perform generally all acts reasonably incident to the corporate purposes and objectives.

(e) Unless specifically prohibited herein, the Corporation shall have all powers permitted by Florida Law and Statutes to Not For Profit Corporations.

ARTICLE 3.

MEMBERSHIP

Members shall consist of all Directors of the Sarasota Military Academy.

ARTICLE 4.

TERM

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE 5.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a board of directors consisting of no less than three and no more than twenty. The board of directors shall be elected by the Board of Directors of The Sarasota Military Academy for such terms and in such manner as established by the By Laws of the Corporation. The board of directors of the Corporation shall have the requisite power and authority, which is customarily vested in corporate directors over the business and affairs of a Not For Profit Corporation.

ARTICLE 6.

REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The registered office for this corporation shall be 801 North Orange Avenue, Sarasota, Florida, 34236. The initial registered agent shall be Christina Bowman.

ARTICLE 7.

COMPENSATION AND ACTIVITIES

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors or officers, but 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 two hereof. The corporation shall not carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation to such extent as would result in the loss of exemption under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles of incorporation, 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 of 1986; or
- (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

ARTICLE 8.

INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

Howard G Crowell, Jr., LTG USA (Ret)

801 North Orange Avenue

Sarasota, Florida 34236

ARTICLE 9.

OFFICERS

The board of directors shall be governed by a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and any other officers which may be established by the bylaws of the corporation. The officers will be elected by the directors at the annual meeting in accordance with the bylaws.

ARTICLE 10.

INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The first board of directors will consist of three (3) persons and they will serve until their successors are appointed. The names and addresses of the initial board of directors shall be:

Name	<u>Address</u>
Howard G. Crowell, Jr.	801 No. Orange Avenue
	Sarasota, FL 34236
F. Steven Herb	801 No. Orange Avenue
	Sarasota, FL 34236
Alexandra Quarles	801 No. Orange Avenue
	Sarasota, FL 34236

ARTICLE 11.

BYLAWS

The bylaws of this corporation shall be made, altered, or rescinded by the board of directors

at any regular or special meeting held in accordance with the bylaws.

ARTICLE 12.

AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These articles of incorporation may be amended from time to time by a resolution adopted by two-third of the voting power of the board of directors; provided however, that these articles of incorporation shall not be amended to permit the corporation to engage in any activity prohibited in article seven.

ARTICLE 13.

DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation the board of directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation by distributing those assets to the Sarasota Military Academy if it is in existence, if it is not in existence, then to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes as shall at the time qualify as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) and as other than a private foundation under Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as the board of directors shall determine. Any assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the court which has general jurisdiction for the county in which the principal office of the corporation shall then be located, exclusively for such charitable purposes or to such charitable organization or organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) as the court shall select.

ARTICLE 14.

DEFINITIONS

For purposes of these articles, "charitable purposes" includes educational, religious, scientific,

public and other purposes contributions for such are deductible under Section 170(c)(1) and (2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and "qualified charitable organization" means an organization which is described in Section 170(c)(1) or (2) of the Code. Any reference in these articles to a section of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall be deemed to include all amendments thereto, and the corresponding provision or provisions of any applicable future amendments or Internal Revenue Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the incorporator has signed these articles of incorporation on December 7, 2016.

Howard G. Crowell, Jr.

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Acceptance:

I hereby agree, as Registered Agent, to accept Service of Process; to keep the office open during prescribed hours; to post my name (and any other officers of said corporation authorized to accept service of process at the above Florida designated address) in some conspicuous place in the office as required by law. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of the position of registered agent.

Christina Bowman, Registered Agent

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