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SUBJECT:										
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – <u>MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX</u> )										
Enclosed is an original and	one (1) copy of the Art	icles of Incorporation and	a check for :							
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FROM: Stephen Minguy Name (Printed or typed)										
4088 S. Washington Point										

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc.

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

sminguy@aol.com

Homosassa, FL 34448

407-832-1598

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## HOMOSASSA RIVER RESTORATION PROJECT INC.

A Florida Non-profit Corporation

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

# ARTICLE I NAME

#### 1.01 Name

The name of this corporation shall be Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. The business of the corporation may be conducted as Homosassa River Restoration Project.

# ARTICLE II ADDRESSES OF THE CORPORATION

2.01 Corporate Address

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc.

4088 S. Washington Pt

Homosassa, Fl 34448

TALLARA SECTIONION

The mailing address of the corporation is:

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc.

4088 S. Washington Pt

Homosassa, Fl 34448

# ARTICLE III PURPOSE

## 3.01 Purpose

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. is a non-profit corporation and shall operate exclusively for educational and charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future Federal tax codes. These purposes include, but are not limited to, educating citizens in schools and other public venues as well as utilizing social media and the corporations' website on how their actions have a significant environmental impact upon the river and how to make changes which would lead to positive ecological results for the Homosassa River System. The goal is to restore and to preserve the ecological integrity of the Homosassa River system by both and instruction and application of existing and future technologies

To maximize our impact on current efforts, we may seek to corroborate with other non-profit corporations which fall under the 501c(3) section of the internal revenue code and operated for educational and charitable purposes

#### 3.02 Non-Profit

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. is designated as a non-profit corporation.

# ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

## 4.01 Election of Board of Directors

In order to be eligible to serve as a director on the board of directors, the individual must be 18 years of age and an affiliate within affiliate classifications created by the board of directors. Directors may be elected at any board meeting by the majority vote of the existing board of directors. The election of directors to replace those who have fulfilled their term of office shall take place in January of each year.

# ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### 5.01 Governance

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. shall be governed by its board of directors.

# 5.02 Initial Directors

The initial directors of the corporation shall be

Stephen Minguy - President

Rodney MacRae - Vice President

4088 S. Washington Pt.

PO Box 717

Homosassa, FL 34448

Homosassa, FL 34487

Judith Biston - Secretary

Roger Cullen

5751 S. Beaver Pt.

PO Box 255

Homosassa, FL 34448

Homosassa, FL 34487

Barbara Fletcher

Frank Kapocsi

5752 S. Beaver Pt.

7333 Catherine Dr

Homosassa, FL 34448

Lakeland, FL 33849

Gregg Mackler

7975 West Grover Cleveland Blvd

Homosassa, Fl 34446

# **ARTICLE VI**

# **APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT**

# 6.01 Registered Agent

The registered agent of the corporation shall be:

Stephen Minguy

4088 S. Washington Pt.

Homosassa, Fl 34448

## **ARTICLE VII**

# **INCORPORATOR**

7.01 Incorporator

The incorporator is:

Stephen Minguy

4088 S. Washington Pt.

Homosassa, Fl 34448

# ARTICLE VIII NON-PROFIT NATURE

## 8.01 Non-profit Nature

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. 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, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. No part of the net earnings of Homosassa river Restoration Project Inc. 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 the purpose clause hereof.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by any organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. is not organized and shall not be operated for the private gain of any person. The property of the corporation is irrevocably dedicated to its educational and charitable purposes. No part of the assets, receipts, or net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to any individual. The corporation may, intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any however, pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make other payments and distributions consistent with these Articles.

## 8.02 Personal Liability

No officer or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property or assets of the officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

#### 8.03 Dissolution

Upon termination or dissolution of the Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc., any assets lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed to one (1) or more qualifying organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or described in any corresponding provision of any successor statute) which organization or organizations have a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the terminating or dissolving corporation.

The organization to receive the assets of the Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. hereunder shall be selected by the discretion of a majority of the managing body of the Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. and if its members cannot so agree, then the recipient organization shall be selected pursuant to a verified petition in equity filed in a court of proper jurisdiction against the Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. by one (1) or more of its managing body which verified petition shall contain such statements as reasonably indicate the applicability of this section. The court upon a finding that this section is applicable shall select the qualifying organization or organizations to receive the assets to be distributed, giving preference if practicable to organizations located within the State of Florida.

In the event that the court shall find that this section is applicable but that there is no qualifying organization known to it which has a charitable purpose, which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to this corporation, then the court shall direct the distribution of its assets lawfully available for distribution to the Treasurer of the State of Florida to be added to the general fund.

## 8.04 Prohibited Distributions

No part of the net earnings or properties of this corporation, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers or other private person or individual, 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 III, Section 3.01.

#### 8.05 Restricted Activities

No substantial part of the corporation's activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or candidate for public office.

## 8.06 Prohibited Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (I) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (II) 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.

# ARTICLE IX DURATION

#### 9.01 Duration

The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual.

# ARTICLE X MEMBERSHIP

# 10.01 Membership

Homosassa River Restoration Project Inc. shall have no members. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined in the corporation's bylaws.

## **ARTICLE XI**

## **AMENDMENTS**

#### 11.01 Amendments

Any amendment to the Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the board of directors.

# ADOPTION OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

- I, Stephen Minguy, do hereby certify that the above stated Articles of Incorporation of Homosassa River Restoration Inc. were approved by the board of directors on 01, 17 2017 and constitute a complete copy of Articles of Incorporation of the Homosassa Restoration Project Inc.
- I, Stephen Minguy, 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.

Stephen Minguy - Incorporator

Date

# ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

l, Stephen	Minguy,	, agree to be 1	he registere	d agent for	· Homosassa	River Re	storation I	nc.appoi	nted
herein.	$\mathcal{U}$								

Stephen Minguy-Registered Agent

Date: 1/12/17