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June 26, 2017

Via: UPS Overnight Delivery

Department of State Division of Corporations Clifton Building 2661 Executive Center Circle Tallahassee, FL 32301

RE: Conservation Arts, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation

To Whom It May Concern:

You will find enclosed our firm's check in the amount of \$70.00, together with the original Articles of Incorporation for Conservation Arts, Inc.. The email address for the Annual Report Reminder Notices is <u>frogknockers@vahoo.com</u>. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Evans Paralegal

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Enclosures

cc: Timothy L. Lawrence

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF.

CONSERVATION ARTS, INC.

The undersigned person acting as incorporator of a corporation not for profit under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be Conservation Arts, Inc., a Florida Not-For-Profit corporation.

ARTICLE II

The principal office is located at 2014 Woodmere Circle, Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida 32210 and the mailing address is the same as the principal office address.

ARTICLE III

The corporation is a not for profit corporation. The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are to create life sized bronze and plastic castings of animals which shall be exhibited in zoos, museums, educational institutions or public parks, and which assist the community in general and specifically the visually impaired to touch and feel the cast animal and educate the community regarding the protection activities needed to promote the continuation of the species.

The general purposes for which this corporation is formed are to operate exclusively for such charitable and educational purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations qualifying as tax-exempt organizations under that Code.

This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry out propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution of any statements or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

The foregoing purposes shall be construed as being within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, including the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The purposes for which this corporation is organized shall be limited to those which are strictly educational. No part of the net earnings of the corporation 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 herein. 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 in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) 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.

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

ARTICLE IV

The corporation shall have no members.

ARTICLE V

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE VI

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its property controlled, and its affairs conducted by a board of directors. The number of directors of the corporation shall be three (3); provided however that such number may be increased by a bylaw duly adopted pursuant to the bylaws of this corporation.

ARTICLE VII

Directors elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one (1) year until the first annual meeting of members following the election of directors and until the qualification of the successors in office. Annual meetings shall be held in January of each year of the principal office of the corporation, or at such other place or places as the board of directors may designate from time to time by resolution.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the board of directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board, and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law that relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the board of directors without a meeting and that the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws of this corporation authorize the directors to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The names and residential addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Name	Address
Timothy L. Lawrence	2014 Woodmere Circle Jacksonville, Florida 32210
Catherine Ward Carey	1617 Alford Place Jacksonville, Florida 32207
Jane Anne Carey	1315 N.E. 13 th Street Gainesville, Florida 32609

ARTICLE VIII

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	
Timothy L. Lawrence	2014 Woodmere Circle	
	Jacksonville, Florida 32210	

ARTICLE IX

The board of directors shall elect the following officers: president, treasurer, and secretary, and that such other officers as the bylaws of this corporation may authorize the directors to elect from time to time. Initially, such officers shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the board of directors. Until such election is held, the following person shall serve as corporate officers:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	Corporate Title
Timothy L. Lawrence	2014 Woodmere Circle Jacksonville, Florida 32210	President
Timothy L. Lawrence	2014 Woodmere Circle Jacksonville, Florida 32210	Secretary/Treasurer

ARTICLE X

The name of the registered agent of this corporation is Timothy L. Lawrence and the street address of the registered agent is 2014 Woodmere Circle, Jacksonville, Florida 32210.

ARTICLE XI

Subject to the limitations contained in the bylaws and any limitations set forth in the Not For Profit Corporation Act of Florida described above, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members of the corporation, the bylaws of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new bylaws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the board of directors or by following the procedure set forth therefor in the bylaws.

ARTICLE XII

- A. **DISSOLUTION**. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction 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 said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.
- B. **DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME.** The corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.
- C. **SELF-DEALING.** The corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.

- D. EXCESS BUSINESS HOLDINGS. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- E. INVESTMENTS JEOPARDIZING CHARITABLE PURPOSE. The corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- F. TAXABLE EXPENDITURES. The corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

ARTICLE XIII

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the board of directors and presented to a quorum of members for their vote. Amendments may be adopted by a vote of at least two-thirds of a quorum of members of the corporation.

Having been named the Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity, executed the 26th day of June, 2017.

Timothy L. Lawrence, Registered Agent

I, the undersigned, being the Incorporator of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this not for profit charitable corporation under the Laws of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation on the 26th day of June, 2017.

Timothy L. Lawrence Incorporator

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