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Subject: Filing Articles of Incorporation for: H.E.A.R.T. Non-Profit. Inc.

Please find enclosed 2 copies of the articles of incorporation for H.E.A.R.T. Non-Profit, Inc.:

- 1) \$35 to file the articles of incorporation;
- 2) \$35 for the designation of a registered agent;
- 3) \$11.75 for a certified copy of the articles of incorporation;
- 4) \$8.75 for a certificate of status for the corporation; and
- 5) a self-addressed and postage paid envelope to return the requested documents to me.

Please return proof of filing and the requested documents to:

Emily Sabo 2500 N. Highway A1A, Ste. 104 Indialantic, FL 32903

If necessary, you can contact me at the following phone number: 321-431-7793 or email me at emilysabo@aol.com.

Emily Sabo

Enclosures

### Nonprofit Corporation Articles of Incorporation

Pursuant to §617 of the laws of Florida, the undersigned majority of whom are citizens of the United States, do hereby submit these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation.

### **ARTICLE 1**

The name of the corporation is:

H.E.A.R.T. Non-Profit, Inc. (hereinafter, "H.E.A.R.T." or the "Non-Profit").

### **ARTICLE 2**

#### Principal Place of Business

H.E.A.R.T.'s principal place of business has the following physical street address, which address is also the Non-Profit's mailing address:

2500 North Highway A1A Suite 104 Indialantic, FL 32903 C/O (Emily Sabo)

### **ARTICLE 3**

### Purpose

The purpose of the Non-Profit is exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific 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 the corresponding section of any future federal tax code and further herein stated as follows:

H.E.A.R.T. is a collaborating team of individuals and businesses specializing in disciplines using movement, performing arts and therapy to (i) provide life changing opportunities and experiences for individuals, families and communities to heal and grow physically, psychologically, artistically and otherwise, and (ii) help people unite their skills, talents, experiences and training to achieve their full and unencumbered potential. The individuals involved in H.E.A.R.T. have recognized a need for these opportunities, which are not traditionally governmentally subsidized and are likewise not generally covered by health insurance companies, but are nonetheless crucial to physical and mental human health and overall well-being. For example, we have epidemics within our communities of drug abuse, suicide, eating disorders, school age children and others engaging in self-harm, children and adults in our societies who are victims of unresolved trauma, bullying, low self-esteem, anxiety, depression, suicidal ideation, family or other relationship conflicts, and more, which are not being effectively addressed by existing programs which do not use the multifaceted and multi-disciplinary approaches which H.E.A.R.T. intends to provide with proper funding. With participation in the disciplines, practices and modalities of training promoted and provided by H.E.A.R.T., the Founders (defined infra) of H.E.A.R.T. have learned that people become more productive, energetic, fulfilled, happier with themselves and their other relationships and generally

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Although not a part of the legal name, the undersigned majority has agreed that the acronym "H.E.A.R.T." (as set forth in the Legal name as herein stated), stands for "Health, Exercise, Artistry, Recovery and Training."

learn and grow in impressive and multi-faceted ways.<sup>2</sup> The opportunities to be provided by H.E.A.R.T., and financed in full or in part by H.E.A.R.T., (collectively, the "Non-Profit Projects" and each a "Non-Profit Project" or "Program") will include individual and group activities, programs and scholarships created by H.E.A.R.T.—or by other individuals, groups or entities approved by, and working with, H.E.A.R.T or otherwise donating services, time, assets or the like to H.E.A.R.T., with or without compensation (any such individual, group or entity, a "Non-Profit Approved Entity"). These Non-Profit Projects will be aimed at developing early and lifelong emotional, physical, psychological, artistic and other life skills to various individuals and/or groups, including institutional or community organizations (each an "Non-Profit Beneficiary" and collectively, "Non-Profit Beneficiaries"), such as (by way of example and not limitation) victims of abuse and/or trauma, schools, the underprivileged, youth groups, those in acute need and / or those individuals or groups displaying such characteristics as integrity, honor, respect and a strong work ethic to improve their quality of life and the lives of others and otherwise displaying the merit to deserve these opportunities. Examples of disciplines to be encouraged and provided by H.E.A.R.T as part of its Non-Profit Projects include:

- Holistic drug-free pain management (based upon realigning the body with positional release work, yoga therapy and other methods created by one of H.E.A.R.T.'s founders, Emily Sabo (hereinafter "Sabo" or a "Founder") and implemented at her Yoga, Pilates, Aerial Arts and Pain Management studio, EKS Beachside Bodywork. Sabo's unique methods are further described on her website <a href="https://www.eksbeachsidebodywork.com">www.eksbeachsidebodywork.com</a>);
- Yoga, Pilates and meditation training for overall health, wellness and stress management, including, without limitation, to increase bone-density, lessen adrenal fatigue and other forms of stress-related illnesses and health issues and also to yield other and further health benefits described Sabo's aforementioned ลร website (www.eksbeachsidebodywork.com) and as further described at www.bikramyogami.com, the website of another of H.E.A.R.T.'s founder's, Suzanne Elliott (hereinafter "Elliott" or a "Founder")—a coach for national and international yoga competitions, a proponent of yoga in schools, youth programs, sports programs, and otherwise bringing yoga and related modalities of movement for lifelong health into more mainstream venues and practices in western culture. Elliott's business nurtures competitive yoga athletes from childhood into their 90s, providing them with an arena to learn with others and forward their individual and personal yoga practices with the support of other athletes, willing to go out on a limb and showcase their skills on a stage in front of friends, family and other inspired observers;
- Performing arts programs and training, including, without limitation, aerial arts, dance, theatre, rhythmic gymnastics and other movement and non-movement based performing arts, such as those show-cased on the website of another of H.E.A.R.T.'s founders, Jennifer Drabik-Pierce (hereinafter "Pierce" or a "Founder" at <a href="www.orlandoaerialarts.com">www.orlandoaerialarts.com</a>). Pierce is also Artistic Director and owner of Orlando Aerial Arts and Suspended Artistry and has vast experience, knowledge and training in the performing arts and brings that knowledge to the Non-Profit's envisioned Programs and Non-Profit Projects. Pierce also has an encouraging, highly specific yet patient teaching style, fostering self-confidence, increased self-esteem and other overall positive life changes important to enriching Non-Profit Projects and Programs; such Programs in the performing arts may include, by way of example and without limitation:
  - o The creation of engaging shows to be presented at schools, community events, and other non-profit functions, fostering creativity, collaboration and communication for the performers involved in these productions;

In addition to the Founders' experiences in their respective fields, please see the section entitled "Research supporting H.E.A.R.T.'s mission" infra for scientific studies and other objective research.

- o Programs to increase the public's understanding and appreciation of the importance and value of the disciplines of circus arts, dance, and the contribution of these disciplines to the welfare of society as a whole, and the sponsorship and initiation of activities and research related to the aforementioned goals;
- Events to bring together educators, guest presenters, and incorporating roundtable discussions, networking sessions, and performances with other regional, state, and national non-profit and profit organizations to teach, perform, create, advocate, evaluate, and support growth in the aerial dance /circus arts community; and
- o The creation of scholarships, grants or other sponsorships in furtherance of training for circus artists, aerial dancers and other performers who have achieved a high level of artistry, leadership, and academic success.
- Psychotherapeutic modalities or other forms of therapy, which provide healing tools for people to develop psychological wellness and find their core qualities including creativity, calm, compassion, empowerment and strength, such as those forms of therapy as are employed by another of H.E.A.R.T.'s co-founders, Dr. Judith Siegler (hereinafter, "Dr. Siegler" or a "Founder"). Dr. Siegler specializes in trauma resolution and believes that, when provided with a safe and skilled environment, clients can heal past wounds and find selfleadership. To learn more about Dr. Siegler's practice, visit the website of Center for Relationships and Trauma Resolution, www.crtr307.com . Dr. Siegler has found that the Internal Family Systems Model (hereinafter, "IFS") developed by IFS founder Dr. Richard Schwartz is the most effective psychotherapeutic approach in trauma resolution, especially when combined with yoga and some of the other disciplines and modalities H.E.A.R.T. will promote and provide through its Non-Profit Projects and Programs. For example, Dr. Siegler has referred countless clients over the course of many years to Co-Founder Sabo (see first bullet point) for her brand of pain management and/or yoga therapy to be used in conjunction with Dr. Siegler's therapy, which has proven to be a very effective collaboration of efforts. To learn more about IFS, visit the official IFS website at www.selfleadership.org, and to learn more about trauma in general and to find research supporting the role of, not only IFS, but also yoga and other modalities that H.E.A.R.T. may promote or provide for resolving trauma, Dr. Siegler recommends reading Bessel Van Der Kolk's book entitled The Body Keeps the Score;
- Capoeira training, enrichment and performance Programs. Capoeira is a Brazilian Martial Art, incorporating a rich heritage and culture, as well as beautiful acrobatics, dance, handmade musical instruments and a very unique fighting style that was preserved by an enslaved people who transformed it into a dance and preserved it as a "game" still played today between two Capoeira practitioners (sometimes referred to as "Capoeiristas") in a circle of other encouraging and on-looking Capociristas, providing music with their hands, hand-made instruments and chant-like songs and rhythms to which the beautiful, rhythmic, sometimes swift and acrobatic, and sometimes slow and graceful, "game" is played in the center of the circle. This form of training builds emotional and physical strength, lessens social anxiety, promotes communication and focus, creates responsible and respectful children and adults, creates a sense of community and belonging and has many other benefits all as further described and supported by the scientific research sited below in this section under the heading "Research supporting H.E.A.R.T.'s mission." The Non-Profit's own co-founder Renzo Souffrain (hereinafter "Souffrain" or a "Founder"), runs a very tight-knit family of Capoeiristas at his Capoeira Karkara in Florida, and believes strongly in the transforming nature of this tradition, practice and game, which has the potential to refocus, center and re-purpose the heart and soul of any person, young or old, willing to learn and looking to overcome obstacles of all shapes and sizes as well as deepen relationships and connections in his or her life. Because of its importance to Brazilian culture and tradition, in 2014, United **Nations** Educational, Scientific and Organization (UNESCO) (French: Organisation des Nations unies pour l'éducation, la

science et la culture)—a specialized agency of the United Nations (UN) based in Paris granted Capocira a special protected status as an "intangible cultural heritage" (see the UNESCO maintained website. unesco.org, specifically http://www.unesco.org/archives/multimedia/?page=6&pg=13&sj=Intangible+heritage; and see BBC News article reporting the intangible cultural heritage designation on November 26, 2014 at <a href="http://www.bbc.com/news/world-latin-america-30219941">http://www.bbc.com/news/world-latin-america-30219941</a>). According to UNESCO, an "intangible cultural heritage" includes "traditions or living expressions inherited from our ancestors and passed on to our descendants, such as oral traditions, performing arts, social practices, rituals, arts, festive events, knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe...". (See the UNESCO maintained website, unesco.org, specifically http://www.unesco.org/archives/multimedia/?page=6&pg=13&sj=Intangible+heritage) Capoeira qualifies for this status because it is "an Afro-Brazilian cultural practice, simultaneously a fight and a dance, that promotes mutual respect and social cohesion..." maintained unesco.org, (See the UNESCO website, specifically http://www.unesco.org/archives/multimedia/?pg=33&s=films\_details&id=3696).

In summary, it is the goal and the intended work of the Non-Profit to help Non-Profit Beneficiaries grow and showcase new skills of all kinds and increase their mental and physical health and wellness by creating Non-Profit Projects or Programs, including, without limitation and, solely by way of example the following: hosting national youth and adult yoga competitions; creating programs in dance, aerial arts and other performance-based practices and training allowing aspiring performers young and old to better express themselves and realize their full artistic and physical potential; encouraging the adoption by schools of yoga for wellness, as a sport, or otherwise; creating therapy programs, incorporating trauma resolution, yoga, performance arts and/or the practice of capoeira and similar martial arts and musical training in programs combining the making and playing of instruments, appreciation for historic civilizations and comradery in training in groups each supporting the other in his or her training and development; and other similar programs for adults and youth alike. Intended Non-Profit Beneficiaries to benefit from these Programs include, without limitation, war veterans, victims of abuse and other sufferers of PTSD, trauma, bullying, low self-esteem, anxiety, depression, self-harm, eating disorders, drug abuse, suicide, suicidal ideation, hopelessness, loneliness, family conflicts, relationship conflicts, school age children in need of positive after school activities, which form beneficial life-long habits and more. By using the multi-disciplinary approach herein described, the Non-Profit has the potential to address some of the most critical epidemics in our communities. The Founders of this Non-Profit see no limit to the benefits the Non-Profit may provide through a wide variety of multi-faceted Non-Profit Projects.

[The character and essence of the Non-Profit is the same as its purpose.]

#### Research supporting H.E.A.R.T.'s mission:

"Athletics, playing music, dancing, and theatrical performances all promote agency and community. They also engage kids in novel challenges and unaccustomed roles...Several of my students run an after-school program in Brazilian capoeira in a high-crime area of Boston, and my colleagues at the Trauma Center continue the Trauma Drama program....The intense communal efforts force kids to collaborate, compromise, and stay focused on the task at hand....Our NCTSN [National Child Traumatic Stress Network, established by an act of Congress in 2001] programs are working: Kids become less anxious and emotionally reactive and are less aggressive or withdrawn; they get along better and their school performance improves; their attention deficit, hyperactivity and 'oppositional'

defiant' problems decrease; and parents report that their children are sleeping better. Terrible things still happen to them and around them, but they are now able to talk about these events; they have built up the trust and resources to seek the help they need. Interventions are successful if they draw on our natural wellsprings of cooperation and on our inborn responses to safety, reciprocity, and imagination." [SOURCE: Bessel Van Der Kolk, M.D., *The Body Keeps the Score*, Viking / The Penguin Group, copyright 2014, p. 355-356]

- "Children and adults alike need to experience how rewarding it is to work at the edge of their abilities. Resilience is the product of agency: knowing that what you do can make a difference." Id.
- "[S]cientific methods have confirmed that changing the way one breathes can improve problems with anger, depression, and anxiety<sup>5</sup> and that yoga can positively affect such wide-ranging medical problems as high blood pressure, elevated stress hormone secretion,<sup>6</sup> asthma, and low-back pain.<sup>7</sup>" [SOURCE: Kolk MD, Bessel van der. The Body Keeps the Score: Brain, Mind, and Body in the Healing of Trauma (Kindle Locations 5069-5072). Penguin Publishing Group. Kindle Edition.]
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- "Mainstream Western psychiatric and psychological healing traditions have paid scant attention to self-management. In contrast to the Western reliance on drugs and verbal therapies, other traditions from around the world rely on mindfulness, movement, rhythms, and action. Yoga in India, tai chi and qigong in China, and rhythmical drumming throughout Africa are just a few examples. The cultures of Japan and the Korean peninsula have spawned martial arts, which focus on the cultivation of purposeful movement and being centered in the present, abilities that are damaged in traumatized individuals. Aikido, judo, tae kwon do, kendo, and jujitsu, as well as capoeira from Brazil, are examples. These techniques all involve physical movement, breathing, and meditation." [SOURCE: Kolk MD, Bessel van der. The Body Keeps the Score: Brain, Mind, and Body in the Healing of Trauma (Kindle Locations 3893-3898). Penguin Publishing Group. Kindle Edition.]
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- "At least half of all traumatized people try to dull their intolerable inner world with drugs or alcohol. The flip side of numbing is sensation seeking. Many people cut themselves to make the numbing go away, while others try bungee jumping or high-risk activities like prostitution and gambling. Any of these methods can give them a false and paradoxical feeling of control. When people are chronically angry or scared, constant muscle tension ultimately leads to spasms, back pain, migraine headaches, fibromyalgia, and other forms of chronic pain. They may visit multiple specialists, undergo extensive diagnostic tests, and be prescribed multiple medications, some of which may provide temporary relief but all of which fail to address the underlying issues. Their diagnosis will come to define their reality without ever being identified as a symptom of their attempt to cope with trauma.... Patients like (these) continuously challenge us to find new ways of helping people regulate their arousal and control their own physiology. That is how my Trauma Center colleagues and I stumbled upon yoga...Our involvement with yoga started in 1998 when Jim Hopper and I first heard about a new biological marker, heart rate variability (HRV), that had recently been discovered to be a good measure of how well the autonomic nervous system is working... Heart rate variability measures the relative balance between the sympathetic and the parasympathetic systems... In healthy individuals inhalations and exhalations produce steady, rhythmical fluctuations in heart rate: Good heart rate variability is a measure of basic well-being.... Since the autonomic nervous system organizes arousal in both body and brain, poor HRV—that is, a lack of fluctuation in heart rate in response to breathing—not only has negative effects on thinking and feeling but also on how the body responds to stress. Lack of coherence between breathing and heart rate makes people vulnerable to a variety of physical illnesses, such as heart disease and cancer, in addition to mental problems such as depression and PTSD.2 ....[0]ur interest in yoga gradually evolved from a focus on learning whether yoga can change HRV (which it can)11 to helping traumatized people learn to comfortably inhabit their tortured bodies." [SOURCE: Kolk MD, Bessel van der. The Body Keeps the Score: Brain, Mind, and Body in the Healing of Trauma (Kindle Locations 5096-5098). Penguin Publishing Group. Kindle Edition.]
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#### ARTICLE 3.1

#### Recusal Process for Resolution of Potential Conflicts of Interest

As further described in <u>Article 3</u> of this document, Non-Profit Projects will, from time to time, be created or promulgated to benefit Non-Profit Beneficiaries, utilizing the services, time or other assets of Non-Profit Approved Entities. Depending upon the Non-Profit Project, these Non-Profit Approved Entities will receive full or partial compensation for their participation and/or cooperation in the Non-Profit Project.

Each of the Original Board Members is also a Founder of the Non-Profit, who, at the time of filing these Articles, is running a for-profit business, which is also projected to be a Non-Profit Approved Entity (and/or each Founder individually has the potential to be a Non-Profit Approved Entity) participating from time to time in Non-Profit Projects due to the background and training each Founder has and the nature of the business each of the Founders individually runs, each of which is described in Article 3 hereof.

The Founders and Original Board Members have identified a conflict of interest (each a "Conflict"):

- 1) for any Founder, Original Board Member or director who may be appointed in the future, who has any financial interest directly or indirectly in any Non-Profit Project, either (a) because such Founder or Original Board Member may provide goods or services for said Non-Profit Project for full or partial compensation or (b) because such Founder or Original Board Member has a financial interest in a Non-Profit Approved Entity which is also a for-profit business and shall be compensated directly or indirectly by the Non-Profit for participating in any Non-Profit Project (any such Founder, Original Board Member or future director, a "Conflicted Board Member")
- if and to the extent that such Conflicted Board Member should be entitled to vote on behalf of the Non-Profit in the case of any such Conflict (any such vote, a "Conflicted Vote").

Before any Non-Profit vote, the Board shall, analyze whether and to what extent there may exist any Conflict in regard to the subject matter of the vote at hand, identify any potential Conflicts that may create a Conflicted Vote and record in the minutes in which said vote are recorded, any and all such identified Conflicts and related potential Conflicted Votes. To resolve any such Conflict in ANY AND ALL such events, the Conflicted Board Member SHALL RECUSE himself or herself, from any vote, which may be identified by the Board as a Conflicted Vote (all such recusals "Mandatory

Recusals"). Furthermore, if and to the extent any such Conflicted Vote ever be cast by any Conflicted Board Member because the Non-Profit Board failed to identify the Conflict for any reason at the time of the vote, such Conflicted Vote shall immediately be documented in the minutes of a Non-Profit meeting at which such Conflicted Vote shall be withdrawn in writing signed by the Conflicted Board Member. If and to the extent that the Conflicted Vote was necessary to the board's approval of the Non-Profit's payment to the Conflicted Board Member for any goods or service said Conflicted Board Member (or said Conflicted Board Member's for profit business) may have provided to the Non-Profit as part of a Non-Profit Project or otherwise, the payment shall be returned pending a re-vote by the Non-Profit's board without participation by the Conflicted Board Member.

The process of identifying Conflicts, documenting the Conflicts and potential Conflicts perceived by the Non-Profit board, and causing the Mandatory Recusal of any Conflicted Board Member to take place and be documented at the time of each vote which may otherwise include a Conflicted Vote, shall be referred to as the "Recusal Process for Resolution of Potential Conflicts of Interest" or the "Recusal Process" for short. The Non-Profit may amend the Recusal Process as necessary or prudent to ensure its efficacy in addressing Conflicts while maintaining the functionality of Non-Profit Projects, but shall publish any such changes on its website, by amendment to its Articles or Bylaws, or otherwise, prior to implementing such amendment, or within, no less than 30 days after the amendment has been made official by vote of the Non-Profit board.

# ARTICLE 4 Directors

The directors will be elected, maintained, removed and appointed in accordance with the Non-Profit's bylaws.

### **ARTICLE 5**

The Non-Profit's initial directors (the "Original Board Members" or "Founders") and their respective addresses are as follows:

Emily Sabo, Esq. (President/Director) 2500 N. Highway A1A, Stc. 104 Indialantic, FL 32903

Jennifer Drabik-Pierce (Vice President/Treasurer) 6700 Kingspointe Parkway Orlando, FL 32819

> Renzo Souffrain 4195 West New Haven Ave. Melbourne, Fl 32904

Suzanne S. Elliott 87 East Merritt Ave Merritt Island, FL 32953

Judith Siegler, PhD 2060 Highway A1A, Ste. 307 Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937

# ARTICLE 6 Registered Agent and Office

The street address of the initial registered office of the Non-Profit is:

2500 N. Highway A1A, Ste. 104 Indialantic, Fl. 32903

The name of the initial registered agent is:

Emily Sabo, Esq.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated Non-Profit 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.

Signature of Registered Agent
Date: 7/27/17

ARTICLE 7
Existence

The Non-Profit shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE 8
Mailing Address

2500 North Highway A1A
Suite 104
Indialantic, FL 32903
C/O (Emily Sabo/EKS Beachside Bodywork)

# ARTICLE 9 Indemnification

The Non-Profit does indemnify any directors, officers, employees, incorporators, and members of the Non-Profit from any liability regarding the Non-Profit and the affairs of the Non-Profit, unless the person fraudulently and intentionally violated the law and/or maliciously conducted acts to damage and/or defraud the Non-Profit, or as otherwise provided under applicable statute.

## ARTICLE 10 Effective Date

The effective date of incorporation shall be August 1, 2017.

# ARTICLE 11 Prohibited Activities

No part of the net earnings of the Non-Profit shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Non-Profit shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to it or for it and to make payments in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 3 in furtherance of Non-Profit Projects or Programs, including without limitation to Non-Profit Approved Entities so long as, and to the extent that, the Recusal Process for Resolution of Potential Conflicts of Interest (as defined herein) is strictly adhered to and enforced and the payment is in furtherance of the charitable purpose set forth in Article 3 hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Non-Profit shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Non-Profit 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 Non-Profit shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this Non-Profit.

# ARTICLE 12 Distributions Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Non-Profit, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the legal liabilities of the Non-Profit, 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 Non-Profit 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.

ARTICLE 13

Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Emily Sabo, Esq. 2500 N. Highway A1A, Ste. 104 Indialantic, FL 32903

Signature

Date: July 27, 2017 (see Article 10 for Effective Date)

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