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SUBJECT: Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Florida, Inc. (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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FROM: James W. Preston

Name (Printed or typed)

702 Hyssop Place

Address

Brandon, Florida 33510-2900 City, State & Zip

813-495-3959

Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

December 12, 2017

JAMES W. PRESTON 702 HYSSOP PLACE BRANDON, FL 33510-2900

SUBJECT: SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA, INC. Ref. Number: W17000098091

We have received your document for SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The title(s) in the officer/director field(s) is/are not acceptable. Please refer to the following link for acceptable officer/director title information. http://dos.myflorida.com/sunbiz/search/guides/corporation-records/title-abbreviations/

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6052.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA, INC.

(A CORPORATION NOT FOR PROFIT)

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a Corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is:

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Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Florida, Inc. and for shorthand purposes, it shall be referred to as "FSMD, Inc." The period of the duration of this corporation is perpetual unless dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE II

A corporation not for profit and the initial principal address of the corporation is:

702 Hyssop Place Brandon, Florida 33510-2900

With a mailing address of:

P.O. Box 1227 Brandon, Florida 33509-1227



ARTICLE III

The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

A. This is a nonprofit charitable corporation, organized for charitable, historical, educational and social purposes organized through established and recognized local membership chapters herein referred to as "colonies" as provided in the Constitution and ByLaws of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in Florida, Inc., having been organized as an "unincorporated voluntary membership association under Florida Law, chartered 31 July 1937 as the 28th State Society under the General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD), a Massachusetts not for profit corporation and recognized by the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service as an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code by letter of January 1966. (Copy included for reference)

- B. In addition, to have and exercise all the powers of a corporation not for profit as set forth in Section 617.0301 of Chapter 617, Corporation Not For Profit.
- C. As one of the constituent state societies chartered under the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, herein after referred to as GSMD, (a Massachusetts not for profit corporation), the FSMD's primary object is to conform to the principles, policies and standards adopted by GSMD from time to time, and to conduct all its activities and operations in a manner so as to support and further GSMD's mission and values as published in Article II (OBJECTS), SECTION 1, (CONFORMITY TO GSMD OBJECTS) of the Constitution and ByLaws of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Florida, Inc. as adopted through 19 November 2016. (A copy included for reference) and which are not inconsistent with Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes

ARTICLE IV

The number of Directors and the manner of their election shall be governed by the Constitution and ByLaws of the Corporation. The persons who are to serve as the initial directors are listed below and the manner of their election is as stated in the FSMD Constitution and ByLaws.

TITLE	NAME	POSITION	ADDRESS
Ρ	Preston, James	President	702 Hyssop Place, Brandon, FL. 33510-2900
V	Adams, Linda Suzanne	Vice President	1307 Lawndale Rd., Tallahassee, FL. 32317-8558
S	Norris, Nancy	Secretary	31118 Westward Ho Ave., Mt. Plymouth, FL. 32776
S	Watson, Alvene	Secretary	685 Hurst Road NE, Palm Bay, FL. 32907-1439
Т	Dressel, Henry	Treasurer	4127 Salmon Drive, Orlando, FL. 32835-2633
0	Cushing, Muriel	Officer	200 Harbor Walk Dr. #352, Punta Gorda, FL. 33950
0	Bennett, Helen O.	Officer 🍳	2013 Carolina Ave. NE, St. Petersburg, FL 33703
E	Arsenault, Jacquelyn	Elder	491 North Pinemeadow Dr. DeBary, FL. 32713-2344
0	Banks, James Cameron	Officer	645 Forest Lair, Tallahassee, FL. 32312
D	Cushing, Reynolds P.	Director	200 Harbor Walk Dr. #352, Punta Gorda, FL.33950
D	Carter, Kenneth	Director	1202 Arriago Way, The Villages, FL. 32162-0106

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ARTICLE V

The qualifications for membership and the manner of their admission are described in the FSMD Constitution and ByLaws as adopted through 19 November 2016, ARTICLE IV, (MEMBERSHIP), SECTION 1 (ELIGIBILITY) and as may be amended from time to time pursuant to the Constitution and ByLaws of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Florida.

ARTICLE VI

The mailing address and city of the initial registered office of the corporation is 702 Hyssop Place, Brandon, Florida 33510-2900 and the name of the initial registered agent at such address is **James W. Preston**, with a valid email address of: **james628@aol.com**

ARTICLE VII

The names of the officers who are to serve until the first election under the Articles of Incorporation are the same as listed in Article IV above.

ARTICLE VIII

The corporation is organized under a non-stock basis.

ARTICLE IX

In the event of dissolution or of its existence being otherwise terminated, the net assets of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Florida, Inc. (FSMD, Inc.) after payment of all its legal debts and obligations shall not inure to the benefit of any member or private individual but shall be distributed solely to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Inc. (GSMD) in furtherance of its Section 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable and educational purposes as prescribed by the FSMD Constitution and ByLaws, as adopted through 19 November 2016, ARTICLE I, (NAME & LEGAL STATUS), SECTION 4, (NO PRIVATE INUREMENT) and as they may be amended from time to time by the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Florida, Inc.

ARTICLE X

The name and address of each incorporator is:

NAME

ADDRESS

James W. Preston, President

702 Hyssop Place, Brandon, FL. 33510-2900

Dated the <u>18</u> day of <u>Dec</u> 2017

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being the incorporators of this corporation have executed these Articles of Incorporation.

Signatures of Incorporators

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James W. Preston

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named as the registered agent for the above named corporation at a place designated in these Articles of Incorporation, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, relative to keeping open said office for service of process.

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James W. Preston Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared James W. Preston, who is personally known or who has produced FLDL# PL=33459473850 as identification and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged before me, according to law that he made and subscribed the same for the purposes therein mentioned and set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2 day of N_{CV} , 2017.

Seal

JAIMIE KAMRADT Notary Public, State of Florida Commission# GG 33433 My comm. expires Sept. 26, 2020

My Commission Expires:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27 day of Nov 2017.

Seal

JAIMIE KAMRADT Notary Public. State of Florida Commission# GG 33433 My comm, expires Sept. 26, 2020

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Notary Public, State of Florida

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