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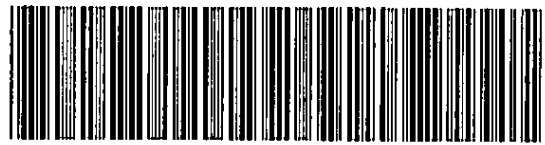
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Century Hope Garden, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

☐ \$70.00
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Filing Fee &
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Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Deborah F. Nickles

Name (Printed or typed)

4419 Devonshire Place

Address

Pace, Florida 32571

City, State & Zip

(850) 982-3984

Daytime Telephone number

bboutwell1@gmail.com

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

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
CENTURY HOPE GARDEN, INC.**

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this Corporation shall be the Century Hope Garden, Incorporated.

ARTICLE II – PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The Century Hope Garden, Inc., and its headquarters shall be located in Century, Escambia County, Florida. Its initial principal address will be 1 East Hecker Road, Century, Florida 32535.

ARTICLE III – PURPOSE

This Corporation is organized exclusively for educational and charitable purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 502(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The purposes of this not-for-profit corporation are as follows:

- (a) To further the education of the members and the public in the fields of gardening, horticulture, botany, floral design, landscape design, environmental awareness through the conservation of natural resources, civic beautification and preservation, and nature studies; and,
- (b) To instill in both our youth and our community the love of gardening and respect for and protection of the environment.
- (c) To promote health and wellness through growing, harvesting and preparing fresh food.
- (d) To provide education in the fields of nutrition and healthy lifestyles.

This Corporation shall conduct itself in such a manner as to be supportive of and an asset to the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., National Garden Clubs, Inc., and their affiliations and the American Community Garden Association.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS AND MANNER OF ELECTION

President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer comprise the Officers of the Century Hope Garden, Inc. These officers shall be elected at the Annual April meeting in accordance with procedures established in the Corporation Bylaws.

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ARTICLE V – INITIAL OFFICERS

The Corporation's initial officers shall be the following persons:

President	Benjamin Boutwell, 1 East Hecker Road, Century, FL 32535
Vice President	Tania Cunningham, 7650 Mayo Street, Century, FL 32535
Recording Secretary	Paula Byrd, 560 West Bogia Road, McDavid, FL 32568
Treasurer	Cheryl Boutwell, 1 East Hecker Road, Century, FL 32535

ARTICLE VI – EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board for the Corporation shall consist of the Officers of the Century Hope Garden, Inc. The Executive Board shall be empowered to transact any and all business of the Century Hope Garden, Inc., shall control the general funds of the Corporation, and shall consider and decide all questions of policy as delegated in the Bylaws. All controlling provisions relating to the Executive Board shall be contained in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII – OPERATION

The Century Hope Garden, Inc., will conduct itself pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes (unless where permissible by the Florida Statutes, appropriately approved lawful Bylaws may deviate from those instructions) as well as within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended.

ARTICLE VIII – NON-PROFIT STATUS

- (a) 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 in Article III above.
- (b) No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall include creation or distribution of propaganda or other attempts to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. These prohibitions include publishing or distribution of statements.

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federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code or (2) 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 – EXISTENCE

The corporation shall have perpetual existence, unless dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE X – DISSOLUTION

Under dissolution of the Corporation, the remaining assets of the corporation shall be distributed upon vote of the Executive Board to organizations which have qualified for non-profit charitable exemption under Section 501(c)(3) or educational exemption under Section 509(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal Government, or to a State or Local Government, for a public purpose, and none of the assets will be distributed to any member, officer, trustee, or board member of this Corporation.

ARTICLE XI – PROPERTY OWNERSHIP

The Corporation may own, buy, sell, lease and mortgage or otherwise deal in real and personal property and do all things a corporation not for profit is permitted to do under the laws of the State of Florida and of the United States of America. There shall be no limit on the value of real estate owned or leased by the Corporation.

ARTICLE XII – AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles of Incorporation may only be amended as documented in the Corporation Bylaws.

ARTICLE XIII – INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the initial Registered Agent is:

Benjamin Boutwell, 1 East Hecker Road, Century, Florida 32535

ARTICLE XIV – INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

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Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above state 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.



Signature Registered Agent, Benjamin Boutwell

3/14/19

Date



Signature Incorporator, Paula Byrd

3/14/19

Date

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