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SUBJECT: THE ELEPHANT ADVOCACY PROJECT, INC

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We have received your document for THE ELEPHANT ADVOCACY PROJECT, 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):

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| The Elephan               | it Advocacy Project, Inc.                       |                             |                          |  |
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| Enclosed is an original a | nd one (1) copy of the Arti                     | icles of Incorporation and  | a check for:             |  |
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|                           | Sandra Clinger                                  |                             |                          |  |
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|                           | 2680 Bobcat Trail                               |                             | _                        |  |
| Address                   |   |                             |                          |  |
|                           | Titusville, FL 32780                            |                             |                          |  |
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elephantadvocacyproject@gmail.com

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION THE ELEPHANT ADVOCACY PROJECT, INC.

### ARTICLE 1

#### Name of Corporation

The name of the corporation shall be The Elephant Advocacy Project, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Corporation").

#### ARTICLE II

#### Address of Corporation

The principle place of business shall be 2680 Bobcat Trail, Titusville, FL 32780, and the mailing address of the Corporation shall be 2680 Bobcat Trail, Titusville, FL 32780, Titusville, FL 32780.

#### **ARTICLE III**

## Purpose and Powers of Corporation

The primary purpose of the Corporation shall be to pursue the retirement of captive elephants to true sanctuaries, to educate the public and raise awareness to the plight of elephants, foster public advocacy for elephants to end their abuses and exploitation, and support efforts to recover and protect wild elephant population, their habitat and reduce human conflict to secure a kinder future for elephants.

The Corporation is authorized to accept contributions of monies, securities, land or other things of value to be held in trust, used for specific purposes or used as operating funds, as may be directed by the donors of such assets at the time of the donation. The Corporation is further authorized to utilize a bank with trust powers and financial planners to invest and reinvest its funds.

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, scientific and the prevention of cruelty to animals purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or under any corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws governing the distributions to organizations qualified as tax-exempt.

Except as limited by the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws, the Corporation will have and exercise all rights and power in furtherance of its purposes as are or may hereafter be conferred on not-for-profit corporations, pursuant to Chapter 617. Florida Statutes, and in accordance with other applicable law.

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed 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 publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, this Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or under any corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal United States Internal Revenue law.

## ARTICLE IV Manner of Election

The method in which directors are appointed or elected is as established in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE V Initial Board of Directors

The names and addresses of the Initial Board members are:

#### President

Sandra Clinger 2680 Bobcat Trail Titusville, FL 32780

#### Treasurer

Wendy Michaels 2029 Olympic Boulevard #326 Santa Monica, CA 90404

#### Secretary

Barbara Lovett 202 Old Rochester Road Somersworth, NH 03878

#### **Board Member**

Sharon Eddy 177 Willowick Dr Naples, FL 34110

### ARTICLE VI Registered Agent

The name and street address of the Registered Agent shall be Sandra Clinger, 2680 Bobcat Trail, Titusville, FL 32780.

### ARTICLE VII

#### Incorporator

The name and street address of the incorporator is Sandra Clinger, 2680 Bobcat Trail, Titusville, FL 32780.

## ARTICLE VIII Effective Date and Duration

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence and the effective date is commencing on 10/10/2019

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Dissolution Clause

Upon the dissolution of this Corporation shall file necessary articles of dissolution with the Florida Department of State in compliance with Section 617.1403. Florida Statutes, and the Corporation's assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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.

# ARTICLE X Meetings

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be as established in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

### **ARTICLE XI**

### **Amendments**

These Articles of Incorporation may be altered, amended, repealed, or added to by the Incorporator or a unanimous vote of the Directors in attendance at a meeting of the Board of Directors called for that purpose, provided that a notice shall have been sent to each Director at the Director's contact information at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting. This notice shall state the alterations, amendments, additions, or changes which are proposed to be made in the Articles. Changes shall be made only as specified in the notice.

| Adopted By the Board of Directors on the   | <u>19</u> day of                 | September 2019   |
|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Signature Saudra Clingi  | <u></u>                          | Date: <u>9/19/2019</u>   |
| Printed Name: Sandra Clinger   | Title:                           | President  |
| Having been named as registered agent to corporation at the place designated in this appointment as registered agent and agree   | certificate. La                  | m familiar with and accept the   |
| Registered Agent: Saudia Cli   | uzi                              | Date: 9/19/19  |
| I submit this document and affirm that the jinformation submitted in a document to the felony as provided for in s.817.155. F.S. | facts stated her<br>Department o | rein are true I am aware that falso<br>of State constitutes a third degree |
| Incorporator: Sandra Cling   | Date: _                          | 9/19/19  |