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November 7, 2019

Department of State Division of Corporations PO Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: Richard A Riffel Philanthropic Trust, Inc.

Internal File Number: 1103.10

To whom it may concern:

Enclosed with this letter please find the following documents in regards to the above referenced matter:

- 1. Articles of Incorporation (x2) and
- 2. Check No. 1145 for the filing fee.

Please contact the undersigned if you require further information.

Very truly yours,

Karen Adkins Paralegal

#### **COVER LETTER**

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

SUBJECT: RICHARD A RIFFEL PHILANTHROPIC TRUST, INC.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :				
<b>S</b> 70.00	<b>□</b> \$78.75	□\$78.75	□ \$87.50	

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FROM:

Jeffrey R. Kuhns, Esq., LL.M. | Kuhns Law Firm, PLLC

Name (Printed or typed)

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(941) 205-8000

Daytime Telephone number

Jeff@KuhnsLawFirm.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 OF RICHARD A. RIFFEL PHILANTHROPIC TRUST, INC.

a Florida not-for-profit corporation

#### ARTICLE 1 NAME

The name of this corporation is the RICHARD A. RIFFEL PHILANTHROPIC TRUST, INC. (the "Corporation"). The corporation is created by a Trust Agreement entitled the Richard A. Riffel Philanthropic Trust (the "Trust").

### ARTICLE 2 PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal street address (principal office) and mailing address are:

Richard A Riffel Philanthropic Trust, Inc. e/o Kuhns Law Firm, PLLC 252 W. Marion Ave., Ste. #1129 Punta Gorda, FL 33950

### ARTICLE 3 EFFECTIVE DATE AND DURATION

- 3.1 Effective Date. The effective date of this Corporation shall be January 1, 2020.
- 3.2 <u>Duration</u>. The period of duration for this corporation shall be perpetual or until such time as the Trustee, Advisory Committee, and/or Board of Directors shall adopt a resolution recommending that the corporation be dissolved pursuant to Florida law, the Trust and/or the bylaws of the corporation.

### ARTICLE 4 PURPOSE, POWERS AND CONSTRUCTION

- 4.1 <u>Purpose</u>. The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3). The organization will engage in activities permissible under section 501(c)(3) including: (1) promoting environmental causes. (2) promoting population control through organizations dedicated to ethical and responsible birth control. (3) promoting renewal energy research and development, and (4) promoting fission and fusion energy research that does not produce isotopes or other elements which have the potential to harm humans.
- 4.2 <u>Powers</u>. In furtherance of the Corporation's role as an organization to benefit, perform the functions of, or carry out the purposes of the Corporation, the Corporation may make grants to or

for the benefit of other Qualified Charitable Organizations. For purposes of these articles of incorporation, "Qualified Charitable Organization" means a tax-exempt charitable organization or governmental unit described in Internal Revenue Code section 509(a)(1) or (2). Subject to the foregoing purposes and the restrictions provided in these articles of incorporation, the Corporation shall have and may exercise all the rights and powers of a nonprofit corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Ch. 671. Fla. Stat.

Restrictions. No part of any activities of the organization will include participating in or intervening in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. This corporation is not organized for profit, and no part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member of the Board of Directors or any other individual except that this corporation may make payments of reasonable compensation for services rendered. The corporation shall never be operated for the primary purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit. Notwithstanding any provision 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 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law).

#### ARTICLE 5 STOCK

This corporation shall not have authority to issue capital stock.

### ARTICLE 6 REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The address of the initial registered office of this corporation is:

Kuhns Law Firm, PLLC 252 W. Marion Ave., Ste. #1129 Punta Gorda, FL 33950

Having been named as 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.

KUHNS LAW FIRM, PLLC, a Florida professional limited liability company

Bv:

Jeffrey R. Kuhns, Esq., Manager

Dated: October

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### ARTICLE 7 AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of its Board of Directors, any of the provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation.

### ARTICLE 8 FUNDS AND ASSETS; DISSOLUTION

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This corporation shall use its funds only to accomplish the purposes stated in these Articles of Incorporation. Upon the winding up and dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the organization, the remaining assets shall be distributed to, and only to, one or more charitable organizations as determined by the Trustee or Advisory Committee. Any assets not so distributed shall be disposed of by the Florida State Circuit Court having jurisdiction over the county where the Corporation has its principal office to such charitable organizations as the court determines.

### ARTICLE 9 DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEE

The manner in which Directors. Officers shall be elected or appointed shall be provided in the Trust and/or By-Laws of the corporation. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as initial Trustee until their successors are elected and qualified are:

Richard A. Riffel, Trustee P.O. Box 177 Ruskin, FL 33575

Having been named as Trustee of the Trust, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as the Trustee and agree to act in this capacity.

Richard A. Riffel, Trustee

Dated: UCI 30, 2019

#### ARTICLE 10 INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Jeffrey R. Kuhns, Esq. 252 W. Marion Ave., Ste. #1129 Punta Gorda, FL 33950

### ARTICLE 11 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE OF GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

Should any conflict arise between any governing documents of the Corporation, the following order shall take precedence:

- (1) The Articles of Incorporation:
- (2) The Trust:
- (3) The By-Laws; and
- (4) Rules, Regulations and/or Policies.

#### **CERTIFICATION OF INCORPORATOR**

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in § 817.155, F.S.

Dated this: 30 tay of October .20 19

Jeffrey R. Kuhns Esq., Incorporator

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