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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

#### SUTTON PRESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.,

A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

## ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this corporation shall be SUTTON PRESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation (the "<u>Association</u>").

# ARTICLE II DURATION

Existence of the Association shall commence with the filing of these Articles of Incorporation ("Articles") with the State of Florida Department of State. The Association shall have perpetual existence. In the event of termination, dissolution or final liquidation of the Association, the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the Stormwater Management System must be transferred to and accepted by an entity which complies with Rule 62-330.310, F.A.C., and Applicant's Handbook Volume I, Section 12.3, and be approved by the District prior to such termination, dissolution or liquidation.

# ARTICLE III PURPOSE AND POWERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Association is organized for the purpose of enforcing, and fulfilling the objectives and purposes stated in the "Governing Documents" (as that term is defined in that certain Declaration of Covenants. Conditions, Easements, and Restrictions for SUTTON PRESERVE, as same may from time to time be amended or supplemented (the "Declaration"), to be recorded in the Public Records of Polk County, Florida). Capitalized terms used above or herein without definition shall have the same meanings given or ascribed to such terms in the Governing Documents. The Association shall have all the powers of a not for profit corporation organized under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes. Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act (the "Act"), subject, however, only to such limitations upon the exercise of such powers as are expressly set forth in the Governing Documents. The Association shall have the power to do any and all lawful things which may be authorized, assigned, required, or permitted to be done by the Association pursuant to the Governing Documents and/or the Act, including, but in no way limited to: (i) ownership, operation, management, administration, maintenance, repair, replacement, and insurance of the Common Areas: (ii) the levy and collection of Assessments; and (iii) to do and perform any and all acts which may be necessary or proper for, or incidental to, the exercise of any of the duties or powers of the Association as specified in the Governing Documents and/or under the Act. The Association shall operate, maintain and manage the Stormwater Management System in a manner consistent with District Permit and applicable District rules. and shall assist in the enforcement of the restrictions and covenants contained herein. The Association shall levy and collect adequate assessments against members of the Association for the costs of maintenance and operation of the Stormwater Management System. The assessments shall be used for the maintenance and repair of the Stormwater Management System and mitigation or preservation areas, including but not limited to work within retention areas, drainage structures and drainage easements.

## ARTICLE IV PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The street address of the initial principal office and mailing address of the Association is 200 F St. South, Haines City, Florida 33844.

# ARTICLE V REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

Ian Prince, whose address is 200 F St. South, Haines City, Florida 33844, is hereby appointed the registered agent of the Association and the registered office shall be at said address.

## ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

Every person or entity which qualifies as a Member of the Association in accordance with the Declaration shall be a Member of the Association, and such membership shall carry all rights, restrictions, benefits, interests, and limitations granted pursuant to the Governing Documents, any Rules and Regulations, and the Act.

# ARTICLE VII VOTING RIGHTS

A Member's right to vote in Association matters shall vest as set forth in the Declaration. All voting rights of a Member shall be exercised in accordance with and subject to the terms, conditions, restrictions, and limitations provided in the Governing Documents.

### ARTICLE VIII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by the Board, who shall be appointed or elected pursuant to the provisions of the Bylaws. The number of Directors constituting the Board shall be three (3) or more.

### ARTICLE IX AMENDMENT

These Articles may be amended, supplemented, and modified at any time and from time to time in the same manner that the Declaration may be amended, supplemented, and modified.

## ARTICLE X BYLAWS

The initial Bylaws shall be adopted by the Board and may be amended, supplemented, and modified at any time and from time to time in the same manner that the Declaration may be amended, supplemented, and modified.

## ARTICLE XI INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of the Association is:		277
Name:	Address:	- ;
Ian Prince	200 F St. South Haines City, Florida 33844	-2 <i>h</i> ii io: 0:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has signed these Articles this 27th day of April, 2022.

Ian Prince, Incorporator

# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING REGISTERED AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapters 48 and 617 of the Florida Statutes, the corporation identified below hereby submits the following Certificate Designating Registered Agent for Service of Process ("Certificate") in designation of the registered office and registered agent in the State of Florida.

SUTTON PRESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., desiring to organize as a not for profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, with its registered office at 200 F St. South, Haines City, Florida 33844, has named Ian Prince, located at the above-registered office, as its registered agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Having been named as registered agent for the above-stated Corporation at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby acknowledge that I am familiar with the obligations of a registered agent under the laws of the State of Florida, accept to act as registered agent for the above-stated corporation, and agree to comply with the provisions of all laws applicable to the performance of such office.

Ian Prince

Dated: April 27, 2022