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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION BETTON HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC. (A Corporation Not for Profit)

# ARTICLE I. NAME AND ADDRESS

- 1.1 <u>Corporation</u>: The name of the corporation shall be: Betton Hills Neighborhood Association, Inc. (BHNA).
  - 1.2 **Principal Office**: The initial principal office and mailing address is:

2207 Trescott Drive Tallahassee, FL 32308

1.3 The Registered Agent: The Association appoints the following person to serve as its Registered Agent:

Eliza Hawkins 2207 Trescott Drive Tallahassee, FL 32308

# ARTICLE II. PURPOSES

The general nature of the objects and purposes of the BHNA shall be:

- (a) To create a welcoming community for new residents and visitors and a sharing and uplifting community for established residents. It is our intent for all who-live in our neighborhood to be woven together by a sense of community, belonging, and participation;
- (b) To support the value of homes of the neighborhood;
- (c) To preserve, protect, and enhance the natural beauty of Betton Hills;
- (d) To provide a forum for residents to educate themselves about activities in or near Betton Hills and in the City of Tallahassee and Leon County, Florida, that may affect their quality of life and to disseminate their opinions among other members of the BHNA, to City and County officials, to the media, and others;
- (e) To elect officers and a Board of Directors to represent the Betton Hills Neighborhood.

- (f) To organize gatherings for purposes of an annual meeting and to promote fellowship and information sharing among BHNA residents.
- (g) To inform the Betton Hills community about changes in zoning, ordinances, the Comprehensive Plan, variances, or other land use changes that may affect it by any means available to disseminate such information.
- (h) To promote and support sound planning and zoning and to oppose detrimental zoning or zoning changes within Betton Hills;
- (i) To join neighborhood coalitions that serve to protect and enhance neighborhoods within Tallahassee and Leon County;
- (j) To enter into agreements and/or contracts;
- (k) To do all things necessary to accomplish the objectives and purposes enumerated above, including but not limited to, all lawful actions.

### ARTICLE III. POWERS

The Corporation shall have all the common law and statutory powers of a nonprofit corporation which are not in conflict with the terms of these Articles.

The Corporation shall also have all the power reasonably necessary to carry out the purpose of the Corporation including to:

- (a) Create and adopt a budget and set and collect membership dues members:
- (b) To use the collected membership dues in the exercise of its purpose and duties.

#### ARTICLE IV. BOUNDARIES

The BHNA's geographical boundaries are approximately outlined by Seventh Avenue between Mitchell Ave. and Centerville Road; north on Centerville Road to Woodgate Way; west to Huntington Drive; including Noble Drive and connected streets; Winthrop Way to Thomasville Road; and then Thomasville Road south to Mitchell Avenue south to Seventh Ave.

# ARTICLE V. OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND MANNER OF ELECTIONS $\gtrapprox$

The Officers, Board of Directors, and manner of elections shall be as described in the Bylaws, which may be amended from time to time, as described in the bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VI. MEMBERSHIP

Membership is voluntary and open any person who is a property owner or resident within the boundaries of the neighborhood as described in Article IV above, or who is otherwise interested in the neighborhood.

## ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a special meeting of the membership called for that purpose by a majority vote of those present. Amendments may also be made at a regular meeting of the membership upon notice given.

## ARTICLE VII. NON-PROFIT STATUS

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual or members of the BHNA.

# ARTICLE VIII. DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS FROM DISSOLUTION

No persons, firm, or corporation shall ever receive any dividends or profits from the undertaking of this corporation and upon dissolution of this corporation, all monies in its treasury remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be donated to one or more charities to which contributions are income tax deductible, as designated by members of the Board of Directors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the subscribing incorporators, have signed these ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION on the May of day of 2022, for the purpose of forming this Corporation not for profit under Laws of the State of Florida.

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Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of:

Vitness: <u>Kate Winegardner</u>

President: E

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State of Florida County of Leon

	cribed before me this / U day of / May , 2022, Eliza ton Hills Neighborhood Association, Inc. / personally appeared
Eliza Hawkins	who [ i] is personally known to me or produced
	as identification.
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	Notary Public
	My Commission Expires:
Notary Public:	JENNIFER A. WINEGARDNER MY COMMISSION # HH 251539 EXPIRES: May 9, 2026

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WIHTIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT WITH WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

Pursuant to Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act:

First, that BETTON HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC. desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office indicated in the Articles of Incorporation in County of Leon, State of Florida, has named **Eliza Hawkins**, 2207 Trescott Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32308, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to being available at said location.

Eliza Hawkins

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