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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION Of PATHWAYS FOR AUTISM, INC. A NONPROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned, natural person of the age of eighteen years or older, acting as incorporator for the purpose of creating a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida in compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., do hereby set forth:

Article 1 The name of the corporation is **Pathways for Autism**, Inc.

Article II The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation is:

Principal: 4300 W. Lake Mary Blvd

Lake Mary, FL 32746

Mailing: 4300 W. Lake Mary Blvd

Lake Mary, FL 32746

Article III The purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

- a. Pathways for Autism, Inc. is organized for exclusively religious, charitable, educational and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under said Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Specifically, the organization will provide educational programs to the public.
- b. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this organization 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.
- e. No part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or participating in, or intervening in (including the publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Article IV The board of directors of the corporation shall be elected or appointed in the manner and for the terms provided in the Bylaws.

Article V The names, addresses and titles of Directors / Officers are:

> Alexander James Buckles, President/Treasurer, 358 Paul Pt., Lake Mary, FL 32746 Brendon Smith, Secretary, 16707 Foothill Drive, Tampa, FL 33624 Julio Martinez, Director, 1407 Manley Court, St. Joseph, MI 49085

The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is Article VI

4300 W. Lake Mary Blvd

Lake Mary, FL 32746

and the name of the corporation's original registered agent at such address is

Alexander James Buckles

Article VII The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

> Alexander James Buckles 4300 W. Lake Mary Blvd Lake Mary, FL 32746

Article VIII This corporation will not have <u>members</u>.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any Article IX officer or director of the corporation; and upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of the residual assets of the corporation exclusively for exempt purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding Sections of any future Internal Revenue Code. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Superior Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, for such purposes or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this ceffficate. I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Signature/Registered Agent Alexander James Buckles

Signature/Incorporator

Alexander James Buckles

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RESOLUTION:

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of the conflict of interest policy is to protect this tax-exempt Organization's interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the Organization or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest application to nonprofit and charitable organizations.

SECTION 2. Definitions.

- 2.1 Interested Person. Any director, principal officer, or member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.
- 2.2 Financial Interest. A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family: (a) An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement, (b) A compensation arrangement with the Organization or with any entity or individual with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement, or (b) A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Organization is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial. A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Section 3.2, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

SECTION 3. Procedures.

- 3.1 Duty to Disclose. In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.
- 3.2 Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists. After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.
 - 3.3 Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest.
 - (a) An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
 - (b) The chairperson of the governing board or committee shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
 - (C) After exercising due diligence, the governing board or committee shall determine whether the Organization can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
 - (d) If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible

under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the governing board or committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the Organization's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination it shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement.

- 3.4 Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy.
- (a) If the governing board or committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
- (b) If, after hearing the member's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

SECTION 4. Records of the Proceedings. The minutes of the governing board and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain: (a) The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest is present, and the governing board's or committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact exists. (b) The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

SECTION 5. Compensation.

- 5.1 A voting member of the governing board who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
- 5.2 A voting member of any committee who jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
- 5.3 No voting member of the governing board or any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization, either individually or collectively, is prohibited from providing information to any committee regarding compensation.
- 5.4 The majority of our Board of Directors will be non-salaried and will not be related to salaried personnel or to parties providing services. In addition, all compensation decisions will be made by the Board of Directors.
- 5.5 Further, all compensation paid will be reasonable and will be based on the following factors: (a) the type and amount and type of compensation received by others in similar positions, (b) the compensation levels paid in our particular geographic community, (c) the amount of time the individual is spending in their position, (d) the expertise and other pertinent background of the individual, (e) the size and complexity of our organization, and (f) the need of our organization for the services of the particular individual

SECTION 6. Annual Statements, Each director, principal officer and member of a committee with governing board delegated powers shall annually sign a statement which affirms such person: (a) has received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy, (b) has read and understands the policy, has agreed to comply with the policy, and (d) understands the Organization is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities

which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

SECTION 7. Periodic Reviews. To ensure the Organization operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, period reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects: (a) Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information, and the result of arm's length bargaining; and (b) Whether partnerships, joint ventures, and arrangements with management organizations conform to the Organization's written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further charitable purposes and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit or in an excess benefit transaction.

SECTION 8. Use of Outside Experts. When conducting the periodic reviews as provided for in Section 7, the Organization may, but need not, use outside advisors. If outside experts are used, their use shall not relieve the governing board of its responsibility for ensuring periodic reviews are conducted.

This Conflict of Interest Resolution was adopted by the board of directors or members of the organization on , 20

Signature of Board Officer

Date

Alexander Buckes/Pirsident

Printed name / Officer title

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