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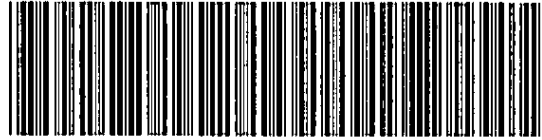
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SUBJECT: Manatee River Artists Guild, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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☐ \$78.75
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☒ \$87.50
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Laura Bryg

Name (Printed or typed)

506 Sand Crane Court

Address

Bradenton, Florida 34212

City, State & Zip

941 900 2194

Daytime Telephone number

lolobryg@gmail.com

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
Manatee River Artists Guild, Inc.**

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation not-for-profit under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, hereinafter referred to as the Corporation, hereby adopts the following Articles of incorporation.

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be Manatee River Artists Guild, Inc.

**ARTICLE II
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS**

The principal office and the mailing address of the Corporation shall be:

MANATEE RIVER ARTISTS GUILD, Inc.
c/o Laura Bryg
506 Sand Crane Court, Bradenton, FL 34212.

**ARTICLE III
PURPOSE**

The purpose of MRAG is (1) to share our passion for art in the community and (2) to perpetuate art for future generations by supporting visual art education programs in our local schools.

MRAG's objectives are to:

- A. Identify community artists and provide them a forum to meet and express their artistic abilities within the community and bring them together to promote the Arts.
- B. Encourage artists to further their interest in art by offering educational work shops and providing them avenues to grow their talent.
- C. Provide artists opportunities to display their creations to the local community, such as an art show.

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- D. Promote art in our local schools by making donations that enhance visual art education.
- E. The corporation is organized exclusively for not-for-profit educational and charity purposes. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall benefit, or be distributed to its trustees, directors, 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 purpose set forth in the first paragraph of this Article III.
- F. 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 (including publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.
- G. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any federal tax code.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is provided for in the Bylaws of this corporation.

ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS

- A. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, the members of which shall be hereinafter referred to as Directors.
- B. The initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of (6) Directors, whose names and addresses are as follows:

Name, Address

Laura Bryg, 506 Sand Crane Court, Bradenton, FL 34212
 Kathy Mulcahy, 9455 Portside Terrace, Bradenton, FL 34212
 Judy Kovalesski-Swartz, 422 Sand Crane Ct, Bradenton, FL 34212
 Doug Wetzel, 618 Foggy Morn Ln, Bradenton, FL 34212

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Kathy Flora, 9623 Sea Turtle Terrace, # 202, Bradenton, FL 34212
Regi Rohrer, 927 River Basin Ct, # 202, Bradenton, FL 34212

- C. The number of Directors shall be as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation but shall not be less than (5).

ARTICLE VI BYLAWS

- A. The Board of Directors shall adopt Bylaws for the Corporation at a meeting of the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws and Florida Statute.
- B. The powers to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws of the Corporation may be exercised by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII MEMBERS

Membership in the Corporation is open to residents in the community. Members need not be artists but must have an appreciation for the arts. Members must also understand and support the Purpose of MRAG as outlined in Article III – Purpose.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended as set forth in the Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time, or in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IX TERM OF EXISTENCE AND TERMINATION

The corporation is intended to have perpetual existence. However, if facts and circumstances change so that it is in the best interests of the membership, the corporation may be terminated. Upon the termination, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, distribute all assets of the Corporation to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or

scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization, or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations as said court shall determine.

ARTICLE X REGISTERED AGENT

The Registered Office and Agent is as follows

- A. The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation shall be:
506 Sand Crane Court, Bradenton, FL 34212
- B. The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation located at said address shall be:
Laura Bryg.
- C. A change in registered office and/or registered agent shall be by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

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

Laura Bryg
Laura Bryg, Registered Agent

August 3, 2022
Date

ARTICLE XI INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Laura Bryg, 506 Sand Crane Court, Bradenton, FL 34212

In WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, the undersigned incorporator executed these Articles of Incorporation on this day August 3, 2022, 2022.

Laura Bryg
Laura Bryg, Incorporator/Director

August 3, 2022
Date

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