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March 14, 2023

**VIA FEDEX**

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Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
The Centre of Tallahassee  
2415 N. Monroe Street, Suite 810  
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Re: Gutenstein Family Foundation, Inc.  
File No. 17297 / 32659

Dear Sir or Madam:

**Enclosed** for filing is an original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for Ezbo Foundation, Inc. Also **enclosed** is a check made payable to the Department of State in the amount of \$70.00 to cover the filing fee.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the below address. If you have any questions concerning the enclosed documents, please contact us.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



Richard R. Gans

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
EZBO FOUNDATION, INC.  
A Florida Not For Profit Corporation**

Pursuant to section 617.0202, Florida Statutes, the undersigned subscriber to the articles of incorporation, who is a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms this Florida Not For Profit Corporation under the laws of the State of Florida and adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I  
NAME AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The name of this corporation is EZBO FOUNDATION, Inc. The address of the principal office of the corporation is 765 Marlay Lane SW, Powder Springs, GA 30127.

**ARTICLE II  
FORMATION AND TERM**

The date when corporate existence shall commence shall be the date of filing these articles with the Florida Department of State, and the corporation shall have perpetual existence thereafter.

**ARTICLE III  
PURPOSE**

The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**ARTICLE IV  
MEMBERS**

The corporation shall not have members.

**ARTICLE V  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a board of directors consisting of at least three directors. The rules concerning the size and governance of the board of directors, and the management of its affairs, shall be as set forth in the bylaws of the corporation.

**ARTICLE VI  
REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The registered office for this corporation shall be 1515 Ringling Boulevard, Tenth Floor, Sarasota, FL 34236. The registered agent is RICHARD R. GANS, ESQ.

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## **ARTICLE VII POWERS**

Except as otherwise provided in these Articles of Incorporation, this corporation shall have and exercise all the powers of Not For Profit Corporations under the laws of the State of Florida which are necessary or convenient to effect the purposes of the corporation.

## **ARTICLE VIII LIMITATION OF ACTIVITIES**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its 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 purposes set forth in Article III above.

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 in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by: (i) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code; or (ii) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

## **ARTICLE IX PRIVATE FOUNDATION LIMITATIONS**

If the corporation is or becomes a private foundation as defined in Section 509 of the Code, then the corporation will:

- (i) distribute its income for each taxable year in a way that will not subject it to tax under Section 4942 of the Code;
- (ii) not engage in self-dealing as defined in section 4941(d) of the Code;
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- (iv) not make any investments in a manner as to subject it to tax under section 4944 of the Code; and
- (v) not make any taxable expenditures as defined in section 4945 of the Code.

## **ARTICLE X INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator are as follows:

MICHAEL GUTENSTEIN  
765 Marlay Lane SW  
Powder Springs, GA 30127

## **ARTICLE XI BYLAWS**

The bylaws of this corporation shall be made, altered, or rescinded by the board of directors at any regular or special meeting held in accordance with the bylaws.

## **ARTICLE XII AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

The articles of incorporation may be amended from time to time by a resolution adopted by the requisite affirmative vote by the board of directors; provided however, that the articles of incorporation shall not be amended to permit the corporation to engage in any activity that will cause it to lose its exemption status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

## **ARTICLE XIII DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as the court determines, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

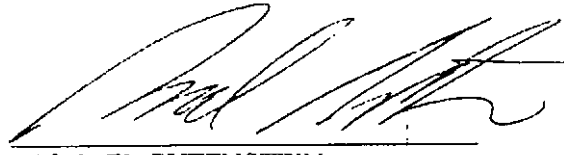
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on MARCH 13, 2023.



MICHAEL GUTENSTEIN  
*Incorporator*

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#### ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

I hereby agree to accept service of process as registered agent 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.



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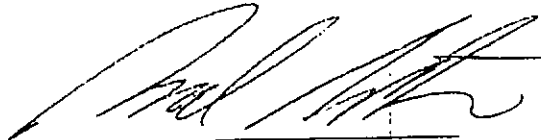
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