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## PATRICIA A. VARDIN 767 John Ringling Blvd. Ste Dover 6 Sarasota, Florida 34236

March 12, 2023

Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Fl 32314

### SUBJECT: SARASOTA BAY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CORPORATION (Not for Profit)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check in the amount of \$87.50 for the Filing Fee, Certified Copy and a Certificate.

Patricia A. Vardin

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#### **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

#### OF

#### SARASOTA BAY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CORPORATION

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S. (Not for Profit)

#### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

This Corporation shall be known as Sarasota Bay Chamber Orchestra Corporation, a Florida not-for-profit corporation. (the "Corporation")

#### ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business of the corporation is 767 John Ringling Blvd. Ste Dover 6, Sarasota, Florida 34236, and the mailing address of the corporation is 242 S. Washington Blvd., #322, Sarasota, Fl 34236.

#### ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

Said Corporation is organized for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The purpose of the Corporation is to:

- Provide the opportunity for professional, semi-professional and accomplished avocational players to present high quality but moderately priced classical music concerts to the Sarasota/Bradenton community and beyond.
- To showcase emerging soloists and composers, giving them the chance to perform and present their work to the public.
- To educate the public about classical music through pre-concert talks and workshops including the opportunities for young people to engage with the performers. The Corporation will be dedicated to diversity and inclusion with respect to its participants and operations.

#### **ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined by the corporation's by-laws. No director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE V - MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The method of election, and or appointment, of directors and officers shall be as stated in the bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VI - DURATION**

The duration of the corporate existence shall be perpetual until dissolution as authorized by law.

#### **ARTICLE VII - MEMBERS**

The Corporation shall have no members.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - NONSTOCK**

The Corporation is organized on a nonstock basis and shall not have the power to issue shares of stock in the corporation or interests in or other rights in any of its property, whether real or personal.

#### ARTICLE VIII – INITIAL DIRECTORS

The names and addresses of the initial directors are the following:

Patricia A. Vardin 767 John Ringling Blvd. Dover 6 Sarasota, Fl. 34236

Patricia Glunt 7257 Firethorne Drive Sarasota, Fl. 34240

Kathleen Smith 47 Greenlea Lane Westin, CT. 06883

Susan Shirley Parker 10726 Old Grove Circle Bradenton, Fl. 34212

Elizabeth Behnke 48 Breezemont Avenue Riverside, CT. 06878

#### ARTICLE IX - REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

Ellen J. Kantro 7257 Firethorne Drive Sarasota, Fl. 34240 2023 (37 k 15 AM 10: 07



Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process 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.

Ellen J. Kantro

#### ARTICLE X – EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

No part of the earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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 distribution in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof. 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 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 (a) by 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 (b) by 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 XI – DISSOLUTION OF CORPORATION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local 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 organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes

#### ARTICLE X - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Patricia A. Vardin 767 John Ringling Blvd Ste Dover 6 Sarasota Florida 34236

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third-degree felony as provided for in s. 817.155, F.S.]

\_ Patricia A. Vardin

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