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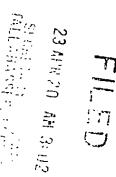
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#### Via Federal Express, Tracking No. 7718 7448 4709

New Filing Section
Division of Corporations
The Centre of Tallahassee
2415 N. Monroe Street, Suite 810
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Re:

Gutierrez-Troconis Family Foundation, Inc.

Our File No.: 6339-1

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

On behalf of the above-referenced corporation, I enclose herewith the original fully executed and notarized Articles of Incorporation, together with our firm check in the amount of \$78.75.

Please have this original copy of the Articles of Incorporation filed among the corporate records of the State of Florida effective as of the date of filing. Please return a certified copy to the undersigned.

The check enclosed herein is in payment of the following fees or charges:

Filing Fee	\$35.00
Registered Agent Fee	35.00
Certified Copy Fee	<u>8.75</u>
TOTAL	\$78.75

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Addition D. Conich

MRS:

Enclosures

cc:

Mr. Horacio Gutierrez (via email only)

Ms. Morella Troconis (via email only)

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF GUTIERREZ-TROCONIS FAMILY FOUNDATION, INC.

#### **PREAMBLE**

I, the undersigned, do hereby associate myself under the following Articles, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be:

Gutierrez-Troconis Family Foundation, Inc.

## ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation shall be:

625 Solano Prado Coral Gables, Florida 33156

#### ARTICLE III GENERAL NATURE OF BUSINESS

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time (herein referred to as the "Code"), or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The general nature of the business to be transacted by the Corporation is:

- (1) To support schools and educational programs worldwide, including, but not limited to within Venezuela, and the charitable purposes and activities conducted by such schools and educational programs;
- (2) To support organizations worldwide and the charitable purposes and activities conducted by such organizations;
- (3) To provide for scholarships, loans, grants and other financial aid for college and post-graduate studies for such candidates as may be approved pursuant to qualification requirements established by the Board of Directors and approved by the Internal Revenue Service, in accordance with applicable limitations of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time (herein referred to as the "Code");

- (4) To make contributions to any organization as described in §501(c)(3) of the Code, with the exception of the organization testing for public safety.
- (5) In general, to carry out the purposes described in Paragraphs (1) through (4) hereof, to raise funds through contributions and membership fees and to exercise any and all powers which it may now or hereafter be lawful for the Corporation to do or exercise under and pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida within the restrictions of §501(c)(3) of the Code, for the purposes of accomplishing the foregoing purposes of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE IV CHARITABLE RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITATIONS

The purposes and operation of the Corporation shall be specifically restricted and limited as follows:

- (1) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof.
- (2) No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation; nor shall it in any manner of to any extent participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office; nor shall the Corporation engage in any activities that are unlawful under applicable federal, state, or local faws.
- (3) The Corporation shall not (a) operate for the purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit and (b) engage in any prohibited transactions as described in §503 of the Code, and (c) accumulate income, invest income, or divert income, in a manner endangering its exempt status by virtue of §504 of the Code.

#### ARTICLE V CORPORATE POWERS

As a means of accomplishing the purposes set forth in Article III hereof, the Corporation shall have the following powers:

- (1) To accept, acquire, receive, take, and hold by bequest, devise, grant, gift, purchase, exchange, lease, transfer, judicial order or decree, or otherwise, for any of its objects and purposes, any property, both real and personal, of whatever kind, nature, or description and wherever situated.
- (2) To sell, exchange, convey, mortgage, lease, transfer, or otherwise dispose of, any such property, both real and personal, as the objects and purposes of the Corporation may require, subject to such limitations as may be prescribed by law.

(4) To invest and reinvest its funds in such stock, common or preferred, bonds, debentures, mortgages, or in such other securities and property as its Board of Directors shall deem advisable, subject to the limitations and conditions contained in any bequest, devise, grant, or gift, provided such limitations and conditions are not in conflict with the provisions of §501(c)(3) of the Code, and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

wherever situated, whether now owned or hereafter to be acquired.

by law, to exercise such other powers which now are or hereafter may be conferred by law upon a Corporation organized for the purposes hereinabove set forth, or necessary or incidental to the powers so conferred, or conducive to the attainment of the purposes of the Corporation, subject to the further limitation and condition that, notwithstanding any other provision of this certificate, only such powers shall be exercised as are in furtherance of the tax-exempt purposes of the Corporation and as may be exercised by an organization exempt under §501(c)(3) of the Code, and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended and by any organization contributions to which are deductible under §170(c)(2) of the Code, and Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

#### ARTICLE VI TERRITORY OF OPERATIONS

The territory in which the operations of the Corporation are principally to be conducted is the State of Florida of the United States of America, and its territories and possessions, Venezuela and other South American countries, but the operations of the Corporation shall not be limited to such territory.

## ARTICLE VII TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Corporation shall exist perpetually.

### ARTICLE VIII MEMBERSHIP

The members of the Corporation shall consist of Horacio Gutierrez and Morella Troconis and such other person or persons and organization or organizations as the Board of Directors may elect, by a majority vote, at any annual or special meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consider the interest of such persons or organizations in determining eligibility of membership.

### ARTICLE IX SUBSCRIBER

The name and street address of the subscriber of these Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

Name
Address

Charles S. Sacher
2655 LeJeune Road, Suite 815
Coral Gables, Florida 33134

ARTICLE X

(1) The affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors consisting of not fewer than three (3) Directors, who shall be elected in accordance with the By-Laws.

**DIRECTORS** 

(2) The names and street addresses of the Directors until the first election of the Board of Directors are as follows:  $\frac{E_{00}}{E_{00}} \approx \frac{E_{00}}{E_{00}}$ 

<u>Name</u>	Address
Horacio Gutierrez	625 Solano Prado Coral Gables, Florida 33156
Morella Troconis	625 Solano Prado Coral Gables, Florida 33156
Alejandra Gutierrez	625 Solano Prado Coral Gables, Florida 33156
Tomas Gutierrez	625 Solano Prado Coral Gables, Florida 33156
	RTICLE XI OFFICERS

- (1) The affairs of the Corporation will be managed by a President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers with such powers and duties as may be appointed and determined by the Board of Directors.
- (2) The officers of the Corporation shall be appointed at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.
- (3) The names and street addresses of the officers of the Corporation who are to serve until the first appointment under these Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

Name Office Address

Morella Troconis President 625 Solano Prado

Coral Gables, Florida 33156

Alejandra Gutierrez Secretary 625 Solano Prado

Coral Gables, Florida 33156

Morella Troconis Treasurer 625 Solano Prado

Coral Gables, Florida 33156

## ARTICLE XII BY-LAWS AND AMENDMENTS

- (1) The By-Laws of the Corporation shall be adopted by the vote of the majority of the Board of Directors of the Corporation. The By-Laws of the Corporation may be amended by the action of a majority of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.
- (2) The provisions of these Articles of Incorporation may be amended afteregor rescinded by the unanimous vote of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE XIII STREET ADDRESS AND DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT

That, Gutierrez-Troconis Family Foundation, Inc., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida has designated its initial registered office as 2655 LeJeune Road, Suite 815, Coral Gables, Florida 33134, and has named Charles S. Sacher as its initial Registered Agent, who is located at such address.

## ARTICLE XIV <u>DISTRIBUTION UPON DISSOLUTION</u>

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an organization or organizations described in §501(c)(3) of the Code, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

## ARTICLE XV PROVISIONS RELATING TO PRIVATE FOUNDATION STATUS

If the Internal Revenue Service determines that the Corporation is a private foundation as defined in §509(a) of the Code, the following provisions shall become operative:

- (1) The Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by §4942 of the Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.
- (2) The Corporation shall not engage in any act of self- dealing as defined in §4941(d) of the Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.
- (3) The Corporation shall not retain any excess of business holdings as defined in §4943(c) of the Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.
- (4) The Corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under §4944 of the Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.
- (5) The Corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in §4945(d) of the Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL this \( \frac{15}{2} \) day of April, 2023.

Charles S. Sacher, Sunscriber

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept Service of Process for Gutierrez-Troconis Family Foundation,
Inc., at the place designated in ARTICLE XIII of the Articles of Incorporation to which this
Acknowledgment is attached, I hereby acknowledge that I am familiar with and accept the
obligations of that position.

Charles S. Sacher, Resident Agent

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