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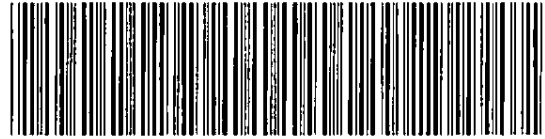
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Division of Corporations  
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**SUBJECT:** Acacia's Ark Incorporated

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

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**FROM:** Kecia A. Johnson

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

To further the purposes set forth herein, the members agree to be, and hereby are, organized under these Articles of Incorporation as a not for profit service for the corporation named Acacia's Ark Incorporated.

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**ARTICLE I - THE CORPORATION**

**1.0 Name of Corporation**

The name of the corporation shall be: **Acacia's Ark Incorporated**

**2.0 Principal Office**

The principal of the corporation shall be 2112 SW 34th Street PMB# 380, Gainesville, FL 32608

**3.0 Purpose**

The primary purpose of the corporation is to partner with institutions and support initiatives both community-based and national to champion the health, development, and wellbeing of children to help end social disparities and deprivation.

Said 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The vision of the non-profit is a world where children have faith, find hope, and know love.

The mission is to support the welfare of children by establishing seasonal activities and ongoing programs that promote literacy, creating opportunities for physical fitness and health education, facilitating positive youth development, and inspiring spiritual growth through a relationship with Jesus Christ.

**4.0 Powers**

The corporation shall have the powers necessary to provide activities to conduct its purposes including, but are not limited to, the power to collect, hold and disseminate information consistent with its purpose and the power to collect dues and disperse funds for the membership.

## 5.0 Membership

Any individual interested in the subject is welcome to be a member in the corporation as long as said member remains in "good standing." A member is in "good standing" when the member values the vision of the nonprofit to support the wellbeing of children. The member is no longer in "good standing" when in the judgment of the majority of the members, or the member no longer supports the vision and purpose of the corporation.

Each member of the corporation shall be entitled to only one vote on each corporation matter to be decided by a vote of the members.

## 6.0 Fiscal Year

The corporation shall operate with the calendar year as its fiscal year.

## 7.0 Funds Management and Authorities

No individual member has the authority to obligate the corporation in any way. In doing so that member becomes personally responsible for that obligation and not the corporation.

Elected executive board members may obligate the corporation for up to \$100 on non-recurring expenses.

The president with the approval of the treasurer may obligate the corporation for up to \$100 on non-recurring expenses. The president and treasurer should monitor all increases in recurring expenses.

The executive board in simple majority may obligate the association for up to \$200 on non-recurring expenses.

The membership in simple majority must approve non-recurring expenditures in excess of \$200.

New recurring expenses must be approved by a simple majority of the membership. Increases in existing recurring expenses do not require approval of the membership.

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## **ARTICLE II - THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

### **1.0 Officers' Duties**

The executive board is composed of the officers elected by the general membership at the annual membership meeting. The officers are responsible for the daily operation of the corporation as described in the officer's duties. The order listed below indicates the order of succession to the presidency.

The following describes the duties of the officers:

**President-** The office of president is the primary person responsible for the business operation of the corporation and presides over the regular membership meetings and the executive board meetings. The president, along with the executive board is responsible for the program planning for the general membership meetings.

**Vice President-** There shall be one vice president. The vice president will have one vote on the executive board. The vice president is responsible for the performance of the president's duties in the absence of the president.

**Secretary-** The secretary is responsible for maintaining an accurate account of meetings. The secretary provides meeting notes of all general membership and executive board meetings.

**Treasurer-** The treasurer is responsible for all the funds of the corporation. The treasurer shall maintain detailed listing of the corporation's membership and dues records. The treasurer shall publish a monthly financial statement and report to the membership. The treasurer shall maintain a record to make it available for inspection within five calendar days of receipt of a written request for such an inspection from any member or a written or verbal request for such an inspection from the executive board. The president or corresponding secretary may perform the duties of treasurer as required.

**Chaplain-** The chaplain is responsible for providing spiritual guidance to the corporation. The chaplain offers the opening and closing prayers at functions of the corporation, ensuring that religious and spiritual needs of the corporation's members are met through prayer and consultation.

### **2.0 Election of Officers**

Nominations will be opened at the July general meeting and close just prior to the election at the November general meeting. Absentee ballots will be accepted, if delivered prior to the November general meeting. The election will be held at the November meeting with the results announced at the end of the meeting. Officers will be installed at the January meeting. Each officer shall serve from the date of installation until a successor is duly elected and qualified.

Officers must be members in good standing at the time of their election and must maintain their good standing throughout their term of office.

### 3.0 Removal from Office

Any officer may have duties suspended by a unanimous, unopposed vote of the remaining members of the executive board. The suspended officer may request a reinstatement vote by the general membership, following the rules of elections of officers at the next general membership, following the rules of elections of officers at the next general membership meeting. If the suspended officer does not request a reinstatement vote or if the vote is opposed to reinstatement, the executive board must then select a successor to fill the vacant position. The selection is subject to general membership confirmation by a majority vote at the next regular meeting.

### **ARTICLE III - APPOINTMENT**

The president or executive board may select members to serve special assignments of need. The appointments will be subject to approval by the general membership.

### **ARTICLE IV - ADVISORY BOARD**

The advisory board is composed of members appointed by the president. The members of the advisory board positions are not appointed for a specific duration and may be replaced at any time by the president with the executive board's approval. The appointees serve as technical advisors and subject matter experts to provide added expertise to the executive board.

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## **ARTICLE V - MEETINGS**

### **1.0 General Membership Meetings**

The entire membership meets quarterly. Meetings shall consist of programs of general interest to the membership, brief announcements, and corporation business. A minimum of 3 members must be present to conduct formal corporation business.

### **2.0 Executive Board Meetings**

Executive board shall be called by the president as needed or as designated purposes indicated at the general membership meeting by a majority vote of membership present. The executive board meetings shall be open to the general membership. Executive board meetings and location shall be announced in advance to the membership whenever possible. A minimum of 3 voting members (or designated representation) must be present to conduct corporation business.

## **ARTICLE VI - REPRESENTATION OF THE CORPORATION**

The use of the name of this corporation or its identifying symbols by any person or organization will be subject to the consent of the majority of the executive board.

## **ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES**

Two methods exist to propose an amendment to, an addition to, or repeal of, any provision of, or all these articles of incorporation.

### **1.0 By executive board**

The executive board may propose any such change in these articles by presenting said changes at a general membership meeting.

### **2.0 By members**

Any member may propose any such change in these articles by submitting to any member of the executive board a petition which sets forth the proposed change and which is signed by at least  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the members at a meeting to be voted on at the next meeting. The membership list of the prior month to the month in which the petition is submitted shall be used for determining the membership count.

Approval of any amendment to, addition to, or repeal of, any provision of, or all of these articles of incorporation requires a majority of the submitted signed, votes received from the members.

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### **ARTICLE VIII - DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS**

In the event that the corporation ceases to function, or in the event that the members decide to terminate it, the executive board shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the corporation's liabilities, distribute all of the remaining assets of the corporation to such organization or organizations which the executive board shall select which are then qualified as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended (or the assets not so distributed shall be distributed by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principle office of the corporation is then located, or was most recently located if the corporation has ceased to function, to such organization or organizations which said Court shall select which are then qualified as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

### **ARTICLE XI - REGISTERED AGENT**

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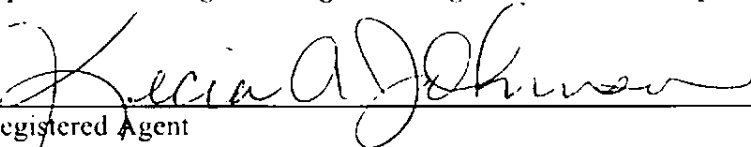
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### **ARTICLE X - INCORPORATOR**

Name: Kecia A. Johnson

Address: 2112 SW 34th Street PMB# 380 Gainesville, FL 32608

*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*

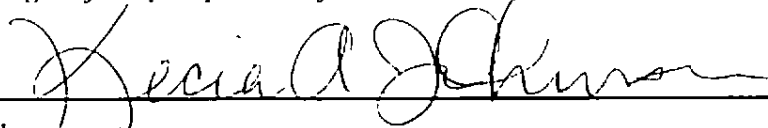
  
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Registered Agent

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*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.*

  
Incorporator

Date: July 7, 2023

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