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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
CLOSING THE SKILLS GAP FOUNDATION, INC.**

The undersigned, acting as incorporator, for the purpose of forming a not-for-profit corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

Section 1.1 The name of this Corporation is Closing the Skills Gap Foundation, Inc. (the "Corporation")

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

Section 2.1 The street address of the initial principal place of business and mailing address of this Corporation are 8813 Western Way, Jacksonville, Florida 32256.

**ARTICLE III
INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND ADDRESS**

Section 3.1 The name of the Corporation's registered agent in Florida as of the date of these Articles of Incorporation is Tracy Bush Jones. The street address of the Corporation's registered office in Florida and the address of the registered agent as of the date of these Articles of Incorporation are 7357 Trails End, Jacksonville, Florida 32277.

**ARTICLE IV
PURPOSE**

Section 4.1 Subject to Section 4.2, the purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which not for profit corporations may be organized under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

Section 4.2 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 (the "Code"), or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Section 4.3 The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit or financial gain, and no part of the net 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

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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 IV hereof.

Section 4.4 No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be devoted to the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except to the extent authorized by Section 501(h) of the Code, during any fiscal year or years in which the Corporation has chosen to utilize the benefits authorized by that statutory provision). 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.

Section 4.5 Notwithstanding any other provision herein, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (i) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Section 4.6 At any time that the Corporation is deemed to be a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509 of the Code, then, for the period in which the Corporation is so deemed, it shall distribute its income for each taxable year in such manner and at such times as not to be subject to tax under Section 4942 of the Code. In addition, at any time that the Corporation is deemed to be a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509 of the Code, the Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing (as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Code), retain any excess business holdings (as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Code), make any investments in such manner as to subject the Corporation to tax under Section 4944 of the Code, or make any taxable expenditures (as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Code).

**ARTICLE V
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 5.1 The method of appointment or election of the members of the Board of Directors shall be as stated in the Corporation's Bylaws.

**ARTICLE VI
DISSOLUTION**

Section 6.1 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 organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

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**ARTICLE VII
AMENDMENTS**

Section 7.1 Any amendment to these Articles of Incorporation must be approved by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE VIII
INCORPORATOR**

Section 8.1 The name and street address of the incorporator are Tracy Bush Jones and 7375 Trails End, Jacksonville, Florida 32277.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on October 5, 2023.



Tracy Bush Jones
Incorporator

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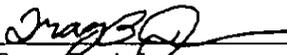
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CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 617.0501, Florida Statutes, Closing the Skills Gap Foundation, Inc., organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement to designate a registered office and registered agent in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the Corporation is Closing the Skills Gap Foundation, Inc.
2. The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent and office are Tracy Bush Jones and 7357 Trails End, Jacksonville, Florida 32277.

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, Tracy Bush Jones hereby accepts the appointment as registered agent and agrees to act in this capacity. Tracy Bush Jones further agrees to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of her duties, and is familiar with and accepts the obligations of her position as registered agent as provided for in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.



 Tracy Bush Jones

Date: October 5, 2023

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