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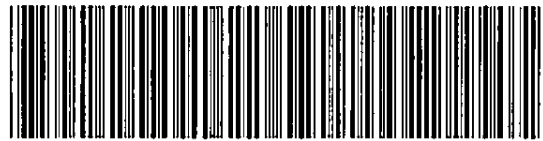
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Southeastern Buddhist Retreat Center, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

☐ \$70.00
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Filing Fee &
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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Rodney L. Seyphers

Name (Printed or typed)

51 Orange Avd

Address

St. Augustine, FL 32080

City, State & Zip

386-249-9175 (cell)

Daytime Telephone number

scyphers100@gmail.com

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
Southeastern Buddhist Retreat Center, Inc.

ARTICLE I
NAME

The name of this corporation is **Southeastern Buddhist Retreat Center, Inc.** (the Corporation).

ARTICLE II
Principal Office

The principal place of business of the Corporation is 1216 NW 9th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601. The mailing address of the Corporation is 1216 NW 9th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601.

ARTICLE III
Registered Office and Registered Agent

The street address of the registered office and name of the registered agent of the Corporation for the service of process at that address is: Rodney Scyphers, 1216 NW 9th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601

ARTICLE IV
PURPOSE

The Corporation is a nonprofit corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, for charitable purposes.

- A. The specific charitable purposes of this Corporation are to establish, to govern, and promulgate a self-sufficient Buddhist retreat center for healing, teaching, and training.
- B. The general purposes and powers are to exercise all rights and powers conferred on nonprofit corporations under the laws of Florida, and s. 501(c)(3), provided, however, that this Corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purposes of this Corporation.

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ARTICLE V

MEMBERS

A. The Membership of the Corporation with full voting rights, shall be as follows:

1. The Initial Members, who shall have full voting rights at the First Annual meeting, shall be those persons who have attended at least one "organizing meeting" as determined by the initial Board of Directors from the minutes of such meetings.
2. The Voting Members, who shall qualify under the Bylaws, shall have full voting rights in accordance with the Corporation's Bylaws subsequent to the First Annual Meeting.

B. The authorized number and qualifications of Members of this Corporation, the different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting, and other rights and privileges of Members, their liability for dues and assessments, and the method of collection of dues and assessments shall be as set forth in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI

PRIVATE FOUNDATION

In the event the Corporation is ever determined to be a "private foundation" within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law, the Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year in a manner to avoid taxation under Section 4942 of said Code, and the Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of such Code, shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Code, or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law, and shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of such Code, or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

ARTICLE VII

DIRECTORS

7.01 The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors composed of no fewer than three (3) and no more than fifteen (15) voting members.

7.02 The names and addresses of the initial Directors are:

- David Bole, President, 1216 NW 9th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601
- Rodney Scyphers, 51 Orange Ave, St. Augustine, FL
- Dr. K.A. Shakoor Director, 2815 NE 17th Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32609
- William G. Wuenstel, 16643 NW 168th Terrace, Alachua, FL 32615
- Matthew Daley, 2719 NW 106th Way, Gainesville FL 32606,
- Kathryn Taubert, 1419 NW 118th Street, Gainesville, FL 32606-579
- Suzanne Weitzel, 13890 N. US Hwy 301, Citra, Florida 32113

7.03 Qualifications of the Directors, and their manner of selection shall be determined by the Corporation's Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII

OFFICERS

The affairs of the Corporation are to be managed by the following Officers:

President – David Bole
Vice President – Rodney Scyphers

Secretary–Kathryn Taubert

Treasurer- Suzanne Weitzel

and other such officers as may be provided in the Bylaws. Officers shall be elected as provided in the Bylaws, and shall serve until their successors are elected.

The initial Officers, as selected by the Directors are:

President: David Bole
Vice President: Rodney Scyphers
Secretary– Kathryn Taubert
Treasurer- Suzanne Weitzel

ARTICLE XI

COMPLIANCE

- A. This Corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3), of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, 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 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- B. No substantial part of the activities of this Corporation shall consist of the carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall this Corporation future United States Internal Revenue Law), or (ii) by a corporation, contributions by which are deductible under participate in or intervene in any political campaign (including publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

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ARTICLE X

DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all of the Corporation's assets to such organization or organizations with a similar corporate purpose as the Corporation, and which is or are organized and operated exclusively for charitable, informational, educational, cultural, historical, and scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

ARTICLE XI

AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation shall not be amended except with the vote or written consent of two-thirds of the Directors of the Corporation. An amendment of the Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a simple majority of either the Board of Directors or Membership of the Corporation. The entire Membership of the Corporation shall be duly notified of such proposal and such notification shall include notification of the closing date of voting as determined by the proposing body to allow reasonable time for Members to study the proposal and comment before the Directors vote.

ARTICLE XII

LIABILITY

No Director shall be personally liable to the Corporation or the Members, if any, for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except that this Article shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a Director to the Corporation or the Members, if any, for monetary damages for: (a) any breach of the Director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or the Members, if any; (b) acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (c) acts specified in Section 617.0831, Fla. Stat., as amended from time to time; or (d) any transaction from which the Director directly or indirectly derived an improper personal benefit.

If the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act is hereafter amended to authorize the further elimination or limitation of the liability of Directors, then the liability of a Director, in addition to the limitation on personal liability provided in this Article will be further eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act. Any repeal or modification of any portion of this Article will be prospective only, and will not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director existing at the time of such repeal or modification.

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ARTICLE XIII
INCORPORATOR

Incorporator, print: **Rodney L. Scyphers** Date: **3/12/2024**

Incorporator, sign Adrian L. Scypher Incorporator email: **Scyphers100@gmail.com**

STATE OF FLORIDA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS)

Before me, WENDY B STRATTON, a notary public in the aforesaid state and county, this 12th day of MARCH, 2024, personally appeared RODNEY L. Scyphets, who acknowledged before me that he is the Incorporator of SEBRC, a Florida Not for Profit corporation, that they signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation of SEBRC, as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth and that the facts contained therein are true, and that they agreed to serve as the registered agent for SEBRC.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires:

Oct 17, 3026.



WENDY B. STRATTON
Commission # HH 314660
Expires October 17, 2026

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

I am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for the foregoing Corporation.

Registered Agent, print: **Rodney L. Scyphers** Date: **3/12/2024**

Registered Agent.. sign

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI
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SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, AKA
RE: MEMPHIS TELETYPE TO BUREAU
JULY 1, 1964