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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FRANKLIN ACADEMY INC OF MONTICELLO A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersign subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation hereby propose the incorporation under Chapter 617, F.S. of a corporation not-for-profit, and have to that purpose made, subscribed, acknowledge and filed with the Secretary of State of Florida such Articles of Incorporation and respectfully request approval thereof, setting forth all information required by Statute.

#### ARTICLE I

#### TITLE

The name of this corporation shall be Franklin Academy Inc of Monticello (hereinafter referred to as "Corporation").

## ARTICLE II

The address of the principal office for the transaction of its affairs and the mailing address of the Corporation shall be 1101 Missionwood Lane, Tallahassee, Florida 32304

## ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. This organization is also a nonprofit corporation organized solely for general charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act set for tin Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes. The Frankling Academy Inc of Monticello admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

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The general nature, object, and purpose of the Corporation shall be for all of the following purposes:

#### Section One

To train youth of every ability to reach their highest academic potential through character, self-discipline, individual responsibility, personal integrity, and good citizenship.

Section Two

To teach necessary academic skills to equip each person for higher degrees of learning, beginning from birth through adult education.

Section Three

To enhance basic manners and personal self-value through the use of mentors sponsoring on the job training to children.

Section Four

To do all other acts and carry on and conduct all other activities necessary, suitable, convenient, useful, expedient in connection with and incidental to the accomplishment of any other purposes set forth herein to the full extent permitted by the laws of the State of Florda Subject to the restrictions set forth in Section Five (5) of this Article.

#### Section Five

Notwithstanding any other provision in these articles, all activities of the Corporation shall be carried on and all of the funds of the Corporation, whether income or principal, and whether acquired by gift, contribution, or otherwise shall be used and abided exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary, educational, or administrative purposes, and so that no part of the net earnings of the Corporation will in any event inure to the personal benefit of any member, officer, or trustee of the Corporation or to any organization or individual; provided, however, that a reasonable compensation may be paid to any member, officer, or trustee of the Corporation in exchange for services actually rendered to or for the benefit

of the Corporation in furtherance of one or more of its purposes stated above, and further that organizations and individuals may benefit from grants, scholarships, fellowships and similar payments or contributions made for a charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purpose and in furtherance of the object and purposes of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

Section One

The Corporation shall be the sole judge of the qualifications and classifications of its members.

Section Two

Provisions shall be made in the bylaws for the qualifying, classifying and admission of members and termination of membership.

## ARTICLE V MANAGEMENT

Each Officer and Director shall be elected or appointed at the time and in the manner fixed in the bylaws.

The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised, its property controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors. The number of Directors of the Corporation shall be six (6); provided however, that such number may be changed by a bylaw duly adopted pursuant to the bylaws of this Corporation.

The Directors named here as the first Board of Directors shall hold office until the Annual Meeting in 2026.

Directors elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter shall serve for a term of three (3) years and until qualification of the successors in office. Annual

meetings shall be held in June of each year at the principal office of the Corporation, or at such other place or places as the Board of Directors may designate from time to time.

## ARTICLE VI OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section One

The membership shall elect the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and such other Officers as the bylaws of this Corporation may authorize the membership to elect from time to time. Such officers shall be elected at the May meeting before the annual meeting. Until such election is held, the following persons shall serve as corporate officers and Board Directors:

President Margaret Franklin 1101 Missionwood Lane

Tallahassee, FL 32304

Vice-President Gallop Franklin II 1101 Missionwood Lane

Tallahassee, FL 32304

Section Two

A member of the Elizabeth Lawson Dobbins family shall always serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE VII REGISTERED AGENT

The Registered Agent of the Corporation until changed in accordance with the bylaws and the changed filed with the Secretary of State shall be Margaret Franklin and the address of the initial registered office shall be 1101 Missionwood Lane, Tallahassee, Florida 32304.

## ARTICLE VIII DURATION

The Corporation shall have a perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE IX **INCOPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is the following:

Margaret Franklin

1101 Missionwood Lane Tallahassee, Florida 32304

**ARTILE X BYLAWS** 

Subject to the limitations contained in the bylaws and any limitations set forth in the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members of the Corporation, the bylaws of this Corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new bylaws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the Board of Directors or by following the procedures set forth therefor in the bylaws.

### ARTICLE XI DISTRIBUTION

Upon dissolution of this Corporation, or a liquidation of its assets, whether otherwise provided or required by law, the net assets remaining after payments of all debts and obligations of the Corporation and all cost and expenses of such liquidation or dissolution shall be distributed to an organization which shall have qualified for a federal income tax exemption under the terms of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the federal, state or local government, subject always to the provisions of Section Seven, Article III of these Articles and to the specific condition that none of the net assets of the Corporation shall be distributed to or for the benefit of any member, officer, or trustee of the Corporation or to any other individual; provided, however, that nothing contained in this article shall be construed to prevent a distribution from the net assets of the Corporation to another distributee, otherwise properly made in accordance with the

provisions of these articles and the purpose stated herein, soley by reason of the fact that one or more of the members, officers, or trustees of the Corporation may be connected or associated with the distributee as a shareholder, member, trustee, director, officer or any other capacity.

## ARTICLE XII AMENDMENTS

This Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or appeal any provisions contained in this charter in a manner now or hereafter prescribed by law and all rights conferred on members in this Corporation are granted subject to this reservation.

I, the undersigned, being the incorporator of this Corporation, for the purpose of forming this not for profit Corporation under the Laws of Florida, have executed these articles of incorporation on this  $27^{+\mu}$  day of December, 2024.

Before me personally appeared, <u>Margaret Franklin</u>, in her capacity as President, known to me to be the person described in and the person who executed the foregoing instrument,

Witness my hand and official seal, this  $\frac{27^{14}}{}$  day of December, 2024.

and acknowledge to me and before me that she executed said instrument for the purpose

Notary Public, State of Florida

expressed therein.

Margard Franklin

My Commission Expires:

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF <u>LEON</u>

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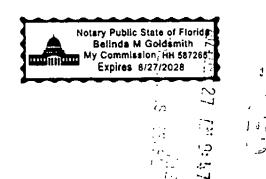
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#### ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION AS REGISTERED AGENT

I hereby accept the designation as Registered Agent for the Franklin Academy Inc of Monticello.

Margaret Franklin

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Before me personally appeared, <u>Margaret Franklin</u> known to me to be the person described in and the person who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledge to me and before me that she executed said instrument for the purpose expressed therein.

Witness my hand and official seal, this  $27^{44}$  day of December, 2024.

Notary Public, State of Florida

Belinda M. Dedsid

My Commission Expires:

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF LEON

THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT WAS ACKNOWLEDGE BEFORE ME THIS 27th Dec., 2024 BY

Margaret Franklin
who is personally known to
me or who has produced

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Notary Public State of Florida
Bellinda M Goldsmith
My Commission HH 587266
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