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FRIENDS OF THE EVERGLADES AIRPARK, INC.								
30b/EC1	(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)							
Enclosed is an original a	and one (1) copy of the Artic	les of Incorporation and	a check for:					
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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FRIENDS OF THE EVERGLADES AIRPARK, INC.

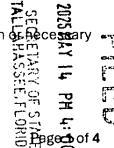
The undersigned, in compliance with Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do hereby recite the following:

Article_1. NAME and ADDRESS: The name of this corporation is FRIENDS OF THE EVERGLADES AIRPARK, INC. whose street address is 650 Everglades Airpark Rd, Everglades City, Florida and mailing address is P.O. Box 372, Everglades City, Florida 34139.

Article 2. EXISTENCE: This corporation will have perpetual existence and will come into existence on filing of these Articles with the Secretary of State.

Article 3. PURPOSE: The purpose for which the corporation is organized is exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary and educational within the meaning of Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. This corporation may engage in any activity permitted by the laws of the United States and the State of Florida within the following purposes:

- 1. To solicit and obtain funds and property by gift, bequest, devise, or grant, to invest the same and apply the income and principal thereof, as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine to advance public understanding and interest and benefits derived from the safe and efficient operation of the Everglades Airpark.
- 2. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon nonprofit corporations, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to acquire by bequest, devise, gift, purchase, lease or otherwise any property of any sort or nature without limitation as to its amount or value, and to hold, invest, reinvest, manage, use, apply, employ, sell, expend, disburse, lease, mortgage, convey, option, donate or otherwise dispose of such property and the income, principal and proceeds of such property, for any other purposes set forth herein.
- 3. To do such things as are incidental to the purposes of the corporation of faces ary or desirable in order to accomplish them.



<u>Article_4</u> – MEMBERSHIP: The corporation shall have members. The by-laws of the corporation shall contain provisions relating to the qualifications for membership, the rights of the members, and other such matters.

<u>Article_5- INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT:</u> The initial registered agent, and the street address of the initial registered office is:

Craig R. Woodward, Esq.

606 Bald Eagle Dr. Suite 500,

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315 Copeland Ave N. #293	419 Quail Hollow Rd
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Article 7 - INCORPORATOR: The name and address of the incorporator hereof is:

Craig R. Woodward

406 Riverside Dr. #260

Everglades City, Fl. 34139

Article 8 – BY-LAWS: The Board of Directors of the corporation may provide supply laws for the conduct of the corporation's business and the carrying out of its purpose as they deem necessary or desirable from time to time. Upon proper notice, the by-laws may be

amended, altered or repealed by a majority vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or at any special meetings called for that purpose.

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nonstock basis within the meaning of the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Action so not have the power to issue shares of any type or class of stock or other certificates of writings evidencing an ownership or proprietary interest in the corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has hereunto set his hand and seal this <u>27</u> day of <u>6000</u>, 2025, for the purpose of forming this corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

Craig R. Woodward, Incorporator

Craig R. Woodward, having been designated to act as Registered Agent, hereby agrees to act in this capacity.

Craig R. Woodward, Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF COLLIER

BE IT KNOWN, that on the day of Acri, 2025, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn, personally came and appeared by means of physical presence or online notarization Craig R. Woodward, to me personally known disperson described in and who executed the within power of attorney, and he acknowledged the within power of attorney to be his act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal of office the day and year last above-written.

GWENDOLYN DECROW
Notary Public - State of Florida
Commission # HH 468419
My Comm. Expires Nov 28, 2027
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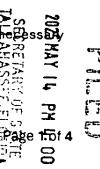
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has hereunto set his hand and seal this <u>29</u> day of <u>4994</u>, 2025, for the purpose of forming this corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

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COUNTY OF COLLIER

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal of office the day and year last above-written.

GWENDOLYN DECROW
Notary Public - State of Florida
Commission # HH 468419
My Comm. Expires Nov 28, 2927
Bonded through National Notary Assn.

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