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TO: Amendment Section
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NAME OF CORPORATION: Stetson University, Inc.

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The enclosed *Articles of Amendment* and fee are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

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Articles of Amendment
to
Articles of Incorporation
of

Stetson University, Inc.
(Name of Corporation as currently filed with the Florida Dept. of State)

N27521

(Document Number of Corporation (if known))

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, this **Florida Not For Profit Corporation** adopts the following amendment(s) to its Articles of Incorporation:

A. If amending name, enter the new name of the corporation:

The new name must be distinguishable and contain the word "corporation" or "incorporated" or the abbreviation "Corp." or " Inc." "Company" or "Co." may not be used in the name.

B. Enter new principal office address, if applicable:

(Principal office address MUST BE A STREET ADDRESS)

C. Enter new mailing address, if applicable:

(Mailing address MAY BE A POST OFFICE BOX)

D. If amending the registered agent and/or registered office address in Florida, enter the name of the new registered agent and/or the new registered office address:

Name of New Registered Agent:

New Registered Office Address:

(Florida street address)

(City)

Florida
(Zip Code)

New Registered Agent's Signature, if changing Registered Agent:

I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of the position.

Signature of New Registered Agent, if changing

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If amending the Officers and/or Directors, enter the title and name of each officer/director being removed and title, name, and address of each Officer and/or Director being added:
(Attach additional sheets, if necessary)

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Type of Action</u>
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E. If amending or adding additional Articles, enter change(s) here:
(attach additional sheets, if necessary). (Be specific)

Remove current Article VI

Replace with amended Article VI stating the following:

The President of the University, who during his or her tenure shall also be a trustee, shall
have a record consistent with and supportive of the University's Judeo-Christian heritage,
and shall demonstrate a commitment to the inclusiveness and plurality of religious faith
which is an essential part of the University's mission and values.

Please see attached for full "Current Article VI" and Amended Article VI" statements

The date of each amendment(s) adoption: May 18, 2007

(date of adoption is required)

Effective date if applicable: May 18, 2007

(no more than 90 days after amendment file date)

Adoption of Amendment(s) **(CHECK ONE)**

☒ The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval.

☐ There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment(s). The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the board of directors.

Dated July 21, 2010

Signature Harlan L. Paul

(By the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer-if directors have not been selected, by an incorporator – if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary by that fiduciary)

Harlan L. Paul

(Typed or printed name of person signing)

Chair, Board of Trustees

(Title of person signing)

**AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR
STETSON UNIVERSITY, INC.**

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Current Article VI:

The President of the University shall be knowledgeable and supportive of the University's Baptist heritage, shall demonstrate a commitment to the Christian faith and a commitment to inclusiveness and plurality of religious faith as a part of the University's mission and values.

Heritage Statement

Stetson's formal relationship with the Florida Baptist Convention was dissolved in 1993. While the University continues to treasure its origins in the Baptist tradition and continues to honor that heritage, the original charter requirement that the President be a Baptist became inappropriate as the University evolved into the twenty-first century. Part of this evolution in the 1990s and 2000s was a broader articulation of the University's Christian roots, a new expression of its values commitments (Religious & Spiritual Life, Ethical Decision-Making, Diversity, Gender Equity, Environmental Responsibility, Community Service, and Health and Wellness), and the development of multifaceted programs to affirm the importance of the religious and ethical dimensions of human life.

The Charter amendment of September 2004 to Article VI removed the requirement that the President of Stetson University be a Baptist, but retained the need for the President to be a person of Christian faith. Given the University's history as an institution that values the study and appropriation of the spiritual dimension of life, the President's ideological grounding in the Christian tradition was viewed to stand as a symbol that the institutional identity remained consistent with its heritage.

Concurrent with the expectation that the President stand within the normative heritage of the institution is the expectation that the President also be a preserver of the institutional commitment to welcoming those of all faiths, and even those of no faith. The Christian particularity of the President was not construed to be the establishment of an exclusivist paradigm for University leadership. Rather, the plurality of religious faiths within the Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, and student body was seen as a positive and inclusive factor that had and will continue to enrich the Stetson community.

Amended Article VI:

The President of the University, who during his or her tenure shall also be a trustee, shall have a record consistent with and supportive of the University's Judeo-Christian heritage, and shall demonstrate a commitment to the inclusiveness and plurality of religious faith which is an essential part of the University's mission and values.