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Florida Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32301

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Re:

Florida Association of Independent Teaching Homes, Inc.

Our file number: F348-35221

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the original and a duplicate original of the Articles of Incorporation of the above corporation for filing. Please file the original and certify and return the duplicate original. Our firm's check in the amount of \$122.50 is enclosed to cover the filing fee, \$35.00, certified copy fee, \$52.50, and registered agent designation, \$35.00. Please call the undersigned if you have any questions about the enclosures.

Very truly yours,

Christopher M. Fear

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Enclosures

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Mr. James Lawson 1150 North Mill Avenue Bartow, FL 33830 gh 5/12

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

# FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT TEACHING HOMES, INC.

A Florida Corporation Not for Profit

The undersigned, for the purposes of forming a corporation not for profit under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Florida Statutes, Chapter 617, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be Florida Association of Independent Teaching Homes, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The address of the principal office of this corporation is 1150 N. Mill Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, and the mailing address of this corporation is 1150 N. Mill Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830.

#### **ARTICLE III - DURATION**

This corporation shall have perpetual existence, commencing on the date of execution and acknowledgment of these Articles.

## ARTICLE IV - CORPORATE PURPOSES

This corporation is a private Christian school which assists Christian parents prepare their children for their title in society, both academically and spiritually. This corporation is organized for the purpose of providing assistance, support, training, facilities, and extracurricular activities for the parents and children of Christian families who are involved in training their children at home.

## **ARTICLE V - LIMITATIONS**

The corporation shall neither have nor issue any stock. The corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution of any statements or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated for the purposes specified in Article III above. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be

distributable to its members, directors or officers or other private persons, but the corporation shall be 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 III hereof. The corporation shall not carry on any activity not permitted to be carried on by: (a) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) or 501 (c)(4) or both of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any United States Internal Revenue law); or (b) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

# ARTICLE VI - DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, no member, director, or private person, corporate or individual, or other private interest shall be entitled to any distribution of its remaining funds and other property. The balance of such funds and property shall, after the payment of all debts and liabilities of the corporation be distributed to an organization operated exclusively for charitable purposes and which has qualified under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any United States Internal Revenue law), as shall be provided by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE VII - DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME

This corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any United States Internal Revenue Law).

This corporation shall not:

- (a) engage in any act of Self Dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any United States Internal Revenue Law);
- (b) retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any United States Internal Revenue Law);
- (c) make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any United States Internal Revenue Law); or
- (d) make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any United States Internal Revenue Law).

# ARTICLE VIII - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND RESIDENT AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 1150 N. Mill Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, and the name of its initial registered agent at that address is James E. Lawson.

# ARTICLE IX - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of the corporation is:

James E. Lawson 1150 N. Mill Avenue Bartow, Florida 33830

#### **ARTICLE X - MEMBERS**

The only members of the corporation shall be the Board of Directors who are elected and serve from time to time in the manner provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation. The initial members shall be the initial Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE XI - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The management of the corporation shall be vested in its Board of Directors, and the election of Directors shall be by the Members as provided in the Bylaws of the corporation. There shall be six (6) initial Directors. The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three (3). Directors of this corporation shall not be personally liable for the debts, liabilities, or obligations of the corporation, and shall not be subject to any assessments. The name and address of each initial Director of the corporation is as follows:

James E. Lawson 1150 N. Mill Avenue Bartow, Florida 33830

Ruth A. Lawson 1150 N. Mill Avenue Bartow, Florida 33830

Randy Padgett 3834 Dale Street Lakeland, Florida 33813 Anita Padgett 3834 Dale Street Lakeland, Florida 33813

James DeJong 5426 Southgrove Place Lakeland, Florid 33813

Diana DeJong 5426 Southgrove Place Lakeland, Florid 33813

# ARTICLE XII - BYLAWS

The Bylaws of the corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors, and may be altered, amended, or rescinded by the Board of Directors.

# **ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS**

The corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles or any amendment to them. Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by any Director and may be adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 10 day of 1995.

iames e. Lawson

# STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF POLK

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared JAMES E. LAWSON, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he acknowledged before me that he executed the same.

witness my hand and official seal in the	ne County and State named above this	<u>/D</u> £day	
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G M PEAR	Notary Public, State of Florida Print name: C. M. FEAC		
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ACCEPTANCE OF RE	GISTERED AGENT		
The undersigned hereby accepts the app ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT TEACHIN foregoing Articles of Incorporation.			
DATED this 10 day of 100	, 1995.		
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