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Florida Institute of Research,
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P.O. Box 24942
Jacksonville, FL 32241-4942

March 7, 1998

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

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Find attached a check for \$122.50 to cover the nonprofit corporation filing fee, the designation of registered agent filing fee, and the certified copy fee of the articles of incorporation for the Florida Institute of Research, Science, & Technology, Inc.

Should there be any questions, please contact the registered agent.

Sincerely,

Howard C Royce

Howard C. Royce

Authorized Registered Agent for

Florida Institute of Research,

Science, & Technology, Inc.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF RESEARCH, SCIENCE, & TECHNOLOGY, INC.

(A Nonprofit Corporation)

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The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under the laws of Florida, hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

NAME

Section 1.1 **Name.** The name of the corporation is Florida Institute of Research, Science, & Technology, Inc.

Section 1.2 **Address of Principal Office.** The address of the principal office of the corporation is 12749 Longview Drive West, Jacksonville, FL 32222.

Section 1.3 **Mailing Address.** The mailing address of the corporation is P.O. Box 24942, Jacksonville, FL 32241-4942.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSES

Section 2.1 **Purposes.** The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, testing for public safety, literary, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding

section of any future federal tax code. Specifically, the corporation is organized for the purpose of: (a) developing grant proposals for various federal, state, and local governmental agencies with subsequent performance and contractual execution of required work by not for profit corporate employees, contracted services and contracted employees, (b) to solicit sponsorship of various proposals and donations from other corporations, business entities, foundations, trusts, and private citizens, and (c) to undertake such legal activities as will further the general purposes described herein.

ARTICLE III

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 3.1 **Election**. Directors shall be elected in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of the corporation.

Section 3.2 **Number**. This corporation shall have three Directors initially. The number of Directors may be increased or reduced from time to time, as provided in the Bylaws of the corporation; however, the corporation shall at all times have at least three Directors.

Section 3.3 **Names and Addresses of First Members of the Board of Directors**. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial Directors of the corporation until the election or appointment of their successors are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Caridad Roque	11471 Discus Court Jacksonville, FL 32223
Andrew Yang	11210 Lake Mandarin Circle East Jacksonville, FL 32223
Howard C. Royce	12749 Longview Drive West Jacksonville, FL 32223

Section 3.4 **Executive Committee**. The Board of Directors may, pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of all the members of the Board, designate three or more of its members to constitute an executive committee, which, to the extent provided in such resolution, may exercise the powers of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV

LIMITATIONS

Section 4.1 **Limitations on Actions**. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to any member, director, officer, or other private person, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to confer benefits to its members in conformity with the purposes set forth in Section 2.1 of these Articles. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

ARTICLE V

DISSOLUTION

Section 5.1 **Dissolution** Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed to one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government or to a local or state government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VI

INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

Section 6.1 **Name and Address.** The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 12749 Longview Drive West, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Howard C. Royce.

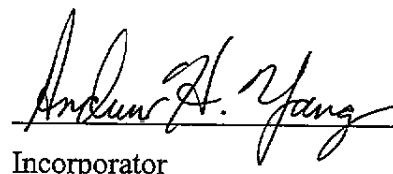
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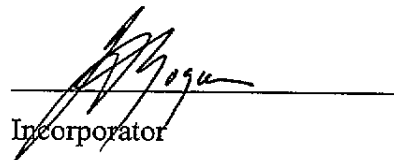
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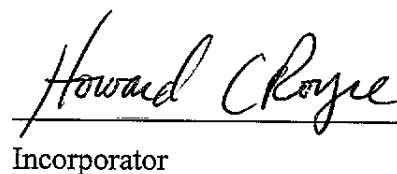
Section 7.1 Name and Address. The name and street address of the incorporators of the corporation are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Caridad Roque	11471 Discus Court Jacksonville, FL 32223
Andrew Yang	11210 Lake Mandarin Circle East Jacksonville, FL 32223
Howard C. Royce	12749 Longview Drive West Jacksonville, FL 32223

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have made and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation for the purposes therein set forth, all as of the 7th day of March, 1998.


Incorporator


Incorporator


Incorporator

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

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Having been named to accept service of process for the Florida Institute of Research, Science, & Technology, Inc. at the place designated in the above Articles of Incorporation, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of a registered agent.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Howard C. Royce", written over a horizontal line.

By: Howard C. Royce,

Authorized Signatory

Florida Institute of Research, Science, & Technology, Inc..