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Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314 (Proposed corporate name - must include suffix) Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for: \$70.00 \$78.75 \$131.25 **\$122.50** Filing Fee Filing Fee Filing Fee Filing Fee, & Certificate & Certified Copy Certified Copy & Certificate ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED FROM: Name (Printed or typed) 1210 Address Merritt Island, FL 32952 City, State & Zip 407 453-6372

**NOTE:** Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

## Home Business Council of America, Inc.

## A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION

- Article 1. Name. The name of the Corporation is Home Business Council of America, Inc.
- Article 2. Duration. The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

Article 3. Purposes. The purposes of the corporation are as follows:

- A. This corporation is a not-for-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. It is not organized for the private gain of any person. The specific purposes of this corporation are to:
  - 1) Establish an accrediting commission and accreditation standards, to accredit home business opportunities available for individuals and corporate entities which operate from their homes.
  - Act as an advocacy and promotional organization for home business as an alternative to traditional work-place careers with the specific purpose of supporting parents or other caregivers in providing better access to their families.
  - Provide information, education and other resources to individuals and corporations to better choose and manage the business which they have chosen to run from their homes.
  - 4) Assist corporations through advocacy, information and resources to convert traditional jobs to jobs that can be conducted wholly or in part at home.
  - Provide a resource to consumers for information on scams or other dishonest business practices and in this way act as a Better Business Bureau or ombudsman on a nationwide scale, for the community at large.
- B. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon nonprofit corporations.
- C. Provided, however, that the corporation shall not engage in any action which is not permitted to be carried on by nonprofit corporations under the Internal Revenue Code and no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, or officers; but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation to these people for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its stated purposes.

Article 4. Members. The Corporation shall have Voting and NonVoting Members, who shall be elected (and may be removed) by the Voting Members and/or the Board of Directors, and who shall have all the rights and privileges of members of the Corporation. The Bylaws may provide for Voting and Nonvoting Members of one or more classes, who shall be admitted in such manner and who shall have such rights and privileges as are set forth in the Bylaws. The name and address of each initial Voting Member is as follows:

Carol Macht, 1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, FL 32952 Kenneth Macht, 1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, FL 32952 Brenda O'Donnell, 111 Island Grove Drive, Merritt Island, FL 32952

Article 5. Initial Registered Agent and Office. The initial registered agent is Carol Macht and the initial registered office is

1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, Florida, 32952.

Article 6. Initial Board of Directors. The initial Board of Directors shall have three members whose names and addresses are:

Carol Macht, 1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, FL 32952 Kenneth Macht, 1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, FL 32952 Brenda O'Donnell, 111 Island Grove Drive, Merritt Island, FL 32952

The Bylaws shall provide the method of election of all Directors, and the number of Directors may be raised or lowered by amendment of the bylaws but shall in no case be less than three.

Article 7. Officers. The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Other officers may be provided for in the Bylaws. Each Officer shall be elected by the Board of Directors (and may be removed by the Board of Directors) at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the Bylaws. The name and address of each initial Officer of the Corporation is as follows:

President. Carol Macht, 1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, FL 32952
Treasurer, Kenneth Macht, 1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, FL 32952
Secretary, Brenda O'Donnell, 111 Island Grove Drive, Merritt Island, FL 32952

Article 8 Incorporators. The name and addresses of the incorporator of this corporation is:

Carol Macht, 1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, FL 32952

Article 9. Nonstock Basis. The Corporation is organized (and shall be operated) on a nonstock basis within the meaning of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and shall not have the power to issue shares of any type or class of stock, but may issue membership certificates if so provided in the bylaws.

Article 10. Corporate Address. The street address and mailing address of the Corporation's initial principal office is

1210 Daniel Court, Merritt Island, FL 32952.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have signed these Articles of Incorporation on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May 1998.

Carol Macht

Acknowledged before me on 5TH DAY OF MAY 1998 Carol Macht, who produced a driver's license as identification, and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged to and before me that he/she executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF FLORIDA

Name: MELINDA M TAYLOR

Commission No.:

My Commission Expires:

I accept designation as registered agent:

COUNTY OF BREVARD

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED TO THIS 5TH DAY

OF MAY 1998



MELINDA M TAYLOR My Commission CC506562 Expires Nov. 02, 1999

Carol Macht

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