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

Re: Political Ecology Society, Inc. - Articles of Incorporation

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are the original and a copy of the executed Articles of Incorporation for Political Ecology Society, Inc. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$78.75 payable to the Florida Secretary of State's office. [I understand this includes a *certified copy*.] After filing, please forward the certified copy to me. Please contact me should you have any question or comments with regard to the foregoing.

Very truly yours,

James H. Barrett

/bmr

Enclosures

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
POLITICAL ECOLOGY SOCIETY, INC.**

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation under Florida Statutes Chapter 617, do hereby make and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

**Article 1
NAME**

The name of the Corporation is: **POLITICAL ECOLOGY SOCIETY, INC.**

**Article 2
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS**

The address of the principal office and mailing address of the Corporation is

Political Ecology Society, Inc.
University of Arizona
Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology
Anthropology Building, Room 316
Tucson, Arizona 85721

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**Article 3
MEMBERS**

1. The Corporation shall have two classes of Members, that shall be known as Fellows and Subscribers.
2. Fellows shall be limited to those who: (a) have academic accreditation in the environmental or social sciences or in related fields as evidenced by the possession of a Ph.D. degree, and to other professionally qualified persons who have demonstrated competency in research and/or application of these disciplines in contemporary societies; and (b) have paid the dues stipulated from time-to-time by the Board of Directors. Fellows shall be entitled to vote on all matters. Each Fellow shall be entitled to one vote. All votes by Fellows shall be decided by a majority vote.
3. Subscribers shall consist of all persons who are not admitted as Fellows and pay stipulated dues, as determined from time-to-time by the Board of Directors. Subscribers may participate in all activities of the Corporation, but do not have the right to vote on any matter. The Corporation shall not have stock but it may issue certificates of membership.

4. Membership as either a Fellow or a Subscriber is nontransferable.

Article 4
NOT FOR PROFIT

The Corporation is a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida. The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit. No part of the income or assets of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, the directors or officers of the Corporation, or to any private person, except to the extent permissible under law and under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to the Corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes as set forth herein. If the Corporation ever has members, no member shall have any vested right, interest or privilege in or to the assets, income or property of the Corporation, and no part of the income or assets of the Corporation shall be distributable to or for the benefit of its members, except to the extent permissible under law and under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Article 5
DURATION

The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

Article 6
PURPOSES

The Corporation is organized, and shall be operated exclusively for, the following purposes:

1. The Political Ecology Society, Inc., has as its primary purpose subvention of the publication of the Journal of Political Ecology, a publication of the Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology, at the University of Arizona.
2. To organize and sponsor educational activities, academic meetings, panels and forums that promote the interdisciplinary scientific investigation of the political and economic principles controlling the relations of human beings to one another and to the environment, and the encouragement of wide application of these principles to practical problems.

3. The subvention of the Robert C. McNetting Prize, a juried award for the best article appearing in the Journal of Political Ecology each year and other prizes that may be established in the future.
4. To provide scholarships to promising graduate and undergraduate students in University programs that emphasize political ecology as a crucial element in the preparation of their students.
5. To provide grants to conduct research that advances the theories of political ecology and its practical applications.
6. To exercise all the powers conferred by law upon corporations not for profit, to the extent that such powers are not in conflict with the purposes of the Corporation.
7. To operate exclusively for such charitable purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of Code or corresponding provisions of any future United States internal revenue law.
8. To contract and be contracted with, and to sue and be sued.
9. To adopt and use a corporation seal containing the words "corporation not for profit", if desired and deemed necessary; but, this shall not be compulsory unless required by law.
10. To do all acts and things requisite, necessary, proper and desirable to carry out and further the objects for which this Corporation is formed; and, in general, to have all the rights, privileges and immunities, and enjoy all the benefits of the laws of the State of Florida applicable to corporations of this character, including but not limited to the powers described in Section 617.021 of the Florida Statutes.
11. All of the above and foregoing are to be construed both as objects and powers, and it is expressly provided that the specific objects and powers enumerated herein shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the general powers of the Corporation.
12. Each and all of the objects, purposes and powers of the Corporation, however, shall be exercised, construed and limited in their application to accomplish the purposes for which this Corporation is formed.
13. This Corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by: (a) a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3)

of the Code or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law; or (b) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code or any other corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law.

Article 7 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The management of the Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is five (5). 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). The Bylaws may provide for ex officio and honorary directors and their rights and privileges. The initial directors are elected by the Incorporator. Thereafter, each Director shall be elected by a majority vote of the Fellows in the manner and at the times set forth in the Bylaws.

Article 8 INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the sole Incorporator of the Corporation is:

Dr. Sarah Keene Meltzoff
152 NE 93 Street
Miami, FL 33138

Article 9 BYLAWS

The Bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the Fellows, and may be altered amended or rescinded by a majority vote of the Fellows.

Article 10 AMENDMENT

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them. The Articles of Incorporation may be amended in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida, as amended from time to time, unless more specific provisions for amendments are adopted by the Corporation pursuant to law.

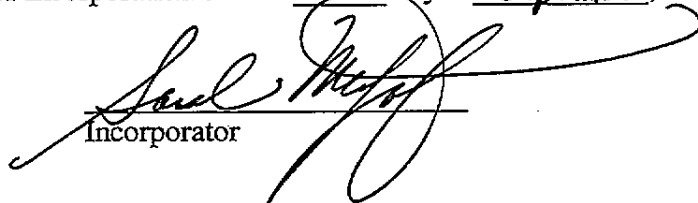
Article 11
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial Registered Office of the Corporation is: Division of Marine Affairs and Policy MAF, 4600 Rickenbacher Causeway, Miami, Florida, 33149, and the name of its initial Registered Agent at that address is Sarah Meltzoff.

Article 12
DISPOSITION OF ASSETS

In the event of the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation by transferring such assets to such organizations which are exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and are engaged in activities of the type described in Article 6 above, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the sole incorporator of this corporation has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 17th day of September, 1999.


Incorporator

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION/
ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Florida Statutes Chapter 617, the undersigned corporation organized under the not for profit laws of the State of Florida submits the following statement in designating the registered office and registered agent of the Corporation in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is Political Ecology Society, Inc.
2. The name and address of the registered agent and registered office are Sarah Meltzoff, Division of Marine Affairs and Policy, MAF, 4600 Rickenbacher Causeway, Miami, Florida, 33149.

I, the undersigned person, having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Dated: Sept 17, 1999


Registered Agent

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