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SUBJECT:		Heritage Education e name - must include sufficient	<u>-</u>
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Enclosed is an original	and one(1) copy of the article	s of incorporation and a	check for:
\$70.00 Filing Fee	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	□\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy ADDITIONAL CO	\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate PY REQUIRED
FROM	Rock Rich Name (Print	PUDSON ed or typed)	
	1241 Tall Add	PINES	- .
	GUIF BREEZE City, Sta	<u>F1 32561</u> te&Zip	

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

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned incorporate, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: Gulf Coast Marine Heritage Education Alliance, Inc.

ARTICLE II

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principle place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 1241 Tall Pines Trail, Gulf Breeze, Florida 32561 Mailing Address PO BOX 1613 Gulf Breeze, Florida 32562

ARTICLE III

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Rock Richardson PO BOX 1613 Gulf Breeze, FI 32561

Mr. Peter McDavid PO BOX 13046 Pensacola, Fl 32591

Mr. Michael Beard PO BOX 13387 Pensacola, Fl 32591

Mr. William Preston 60 Shoreline Drive Gulf Breeze, Fl 32562

ARTICLE IV

PURPOSES(S)

The specific purposes(s) for which the corporation is organized are: Said corporation is organized exclusively for historical and educational 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.

To promote and assist civic improvement including cultural development and historic preservation through the construction, maintenance and operation of a 1900's gulf coast fishing vessel and the establishment, development, maintenance and operation of a maritime museum associated with this vessel.

This corporation shall be privileged to receive money, benefits, materials and labor from individuals, private corporations, and state, city, county and federal governmental agencies, such money, benefits, materials and services as are received by this corporation may be expended under the direction of the board of directors of said corporation. This

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corporation may sue and be sued, deal with corporate assets in any manner not contrary to law, and exercise all rights and powers reasonably necessary to accomplish the stated purposes of this corporation as may be permitted by the laws and statutes of the State of Florida.

The corporation is further authorized and empowered to do all thing necessary to carry on and accomplish the purpose for which it is organized and charted, including authority and power;

To enter into, make and perform contracts of every kind and description.

To borrow or raise moneies for all the purposes of the corporation and from time to time without limit as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures and other negotiable or nonnegotiable instruments and evidence of indebtedness, and to secure the payment of any thereof and of the interest thereon by mortgage upon or pledge, conveyance or assignments in trust of the whole or any part of the property of the corporation, whether at the time owned or thereafter required, and to sell, pledge or otherwise dispose of such bonds or other obligations of the corporation for its cooperate purposes,

To promote and assist the growth and development of cultural and historic concerns and others along the Gulf of Mexico, and to environs.

To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and business without restrictions or limitations as to amount of purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, own, mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, real and personal property of every class and description.

To acquire, construct, convert, or expand museum facilities.

The board of directors is expressly authorized to make, alter, or repeal the by-laws of the corporation.

The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this certificate of incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon members herein are granted subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE V **EARNINGS**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that 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 V thereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on 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 or in opposition to 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE VI LIQUIDATION OF CORPORATE ASSETS

If this corporation is dissolved or finally liquidated, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the lawful debts and liabilities of the corporation, distribute all of the assets of the corporation to a non-profit organization or organizations having similar aims and objects as this corporation and which may be selected as an appropriate recipient of such assets, as long as such organizations or each of such organizations shall quality as a tax exempt organization described in 501 (c) (3) of the internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any subsequent United States Internal Revenue Laws), or to the State of Florida or any county or local government thereof for exclusively public uses or purposes.

ARTICLE VII MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is: The initial directors will be appointed by the incorporator and there after the directors will be elected by the directors as stated in the corporate by laws.

INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS ARTICLE VIII The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent are: Rock Richardson 1241 Tall Pines Trail Gulf Breeze, Fl 32561

ARTICLE IX INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Rock Richardson

1241 Tall Pines Trail

Gulf Breeze, FI 32561

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statues 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

Signature Registered Agent

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