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Re: North Florida Youth Soccer, Inc.

Dear Sirs:

I have enclosed for filing two (2) original ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of NORTH FLORIDA YOUTH SOCCER, INC. Please file one original of these documents and return a certified original of the Articles receipt stamped to this office in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Also enclosed is our firm check, in the amount of \$78.75, representing the filing fee.

Please contact our office should you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

William L. Thompson, Jr.

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**Enclosures** 



# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF



# NORTH FLORIDA YOUTH SOCCER, INC.

# ARTICLE I

### NAME

The name of the corporation is "North Florida Youth Soccer, Inc."

# ARTICLE II

## TERM OF EXISTENCE

The term for which the corporation shall exist shall be perpetual, commencing on the date of execution of these Articles.

## ARTICLE III

# **PURPOSE**

The specific purposes and objects of the corporation, governed by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, shall be to operate exclusively for charitable and educational purposes or to foster national amateur competition (but not to provide athletic facilities or equipment) or to operate a club for recreational or nonprofitable purposes; to take and hold property for the application of such property for the foregoing purposes; to raise funds to accomplish the foregoing purposes.

# ARTICLE IV

### SCOPE OF ACTIVITY

The corporation shall have the power, either directly or indirectly, either alone or in conjunction with others, to do any and all lawful acts and things and to engage in any and all lawful activities that may be necessary, useful, suitable, desirable or proper for the

furtherance, accomplishment, fostering or attainment of any or all of the purposes for which the corporation is organized, and to aid or assist other organizations whose activities are such as to further, accomplish, foster or attain any of such purposes. Notwithstanding anything in this Articles of Incorporation to the contrary, the corporation shall exercise only such powers as are in furtherance of the exempt purposes of organizations set forth in Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the regulations under the Internal Revenue Code as the Internal Revenue Code and such regulations now exist or as they may hereafter be amended from time to time.

# ARTICLE V

# PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

At all times, and notwithstanding any change in name, merger, consolidation, reorganization, termination, dissolution or winding up of this corporation, voluntary or involuntary, or by operation of law, or any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation or any other organizational documents of the corporation:

- (a) The corporation shall not possess or exercise any power or authority either expressly, by interpretation or by operation of law that will prevent it at any time from qualifying and continuing to qualify as a corporation described in Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, nor shall it engage directly or indirectly in any activity that would cause the loss of such qualification.
- (b) No part of the assets or net earnings of the corporation shall be used ever, nor shall the corporation ever be organized or operated, for purposes that do not exclusively promote charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

- (c) The corporation shall not be operated for the principal purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit.
- (d) At no time shall the corporation engage in any activities that are unlawful under the laws of the United States of America, the State of Florida or any other jurisdiction where its activities are carried on.
- (e) No part of the income of the corporation shall enure to the benefit of any shareholder, member, trustee, director, officer of the corporation or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation effecting one or more of its purposes), and no member, trustee, officer of the corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets.
- (f) The corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to subject the corporation to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the corporation shall not:
  - (i) Engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
  - (ii) Retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
  - (iii) 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

- (iv) Make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- (g) No part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or participating in, or intervening in (including the publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

# ARTICLE VI

# DISSOLUTION

Upon the termination, dissolution or winding up of the corporation in any manner or for any reason, its assets, if any, remaining after payment (or provision for payment) of all liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed to, and only to, one or more organizations having either exclusively charitable, religious, scientific or educational purposes or a primary purpose to promote social welfare only for exempt purposes as defined in Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

# ARTICLE VII

# MEMBERSHIP AND DIRECTORS

The corporation is to be organized on a non-stock membership basis. Such membership shall be nonredeemable, nontransferable and non-divided bearing. The initial members shall be as determined by the Incorporator and placed in the Minute Book of the corporation. Once the initial members are specified, additional persons or entities may be added as members of this corporation by the existing members.

The corporation shall have three (3) Directors. The number of Directors may be

increased or diminished, from time to time, by amendment to the Bylaws, but in no event shall the number of Directors be reduced below three (3). The initial directors shall be as determined by the Incorporator and the names and addresses placed in the Minute Book of the corporation. Once the initial members are specified, directors shall be elected or removed by a majority vote of the then existing members consistent with the Bylaws of the corporation.

# **ARTICLE VIII**

# INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of the corporation in the State of Florida is 2301 Park Avenue, Suite 404, Orange Park, Florida 32073, and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is William L. Thompson, Jr. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, change the registered agent or move the registered office to any other address in Florida.

# ARTICLE IX

# PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The initial principal office of the corporation is 2301 Park Avenue, Suite 404, Orange Park, Florida 32073, and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is William L. Thompson, Jr. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, change the registered agent or move the registered office to any other address in Florida.

# ARTICLE X

### **BYLAWS**

Both the members and the Board of Directors may repeal, amend or adopt Bylaws for the corporation, pursuant to these Articles, except that the members may prescribe in any Bylaws made by them that such Bylaws shall not be altered, repealed or amended by the Board of Directors.

# **ARTICLE XI**

# **AMENDMENTS**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law.

# **ARTICLE XII**

# **INCORPORATORS**

The name and addresse of the initial incorporator of the corporation are:

William L. Thompson, Jr.

2303 Park Avenue, Suite 404 Orange Park, Florida 32073

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator, being a natural person competent to contract, has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this 6th day of December, 1999.

William L. Thompson, Jr., Incorporator

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STATE OF FLORIDA ) COUNTY OF CLAY )		
1999, by William L. Thompson,	was acknowledged before me this 6thday of December,  Jr., who is personally known to me or has produced s identification.	
GLENN ALAN TAYLOR  Notary Public, State of Florada  My comm. expires May 11, 2002  Comm. No. CC 725861	Print Name: GUNN ALAN TAYLOR  Notary Public, State of Florida at Large.  My Commission Expires: 5-11-6  Commission No.: CC 72586/	3L / CET

# CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT OF NORTH FLORIDA YOUTH SOCCER, INC.

The undersigned, having been designated as the initial Registered Agent for the service of process within the State of Florida upon NORTH FLORIDA YOUTH SOCCER, INC., a not for profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, does hereby accept the appointment as such Registered Agent for the above-named corporation, and does hereby agree to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091(2) relative to keeping open the Registered Office of said corporation, which Registered Office is located at 2301 Park Avenue, Suite 404, Orange park, Florida 32073.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, such designated Registered Agent, have hereunto set my hand and seal at Jacksonville, Clay County, Florida, on this 6th day of December, 1999.

William L. Thompson, Jr.

Registered Agent