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Selena Pollard  
Stepping Stones Early Learning Center, Inc.  
824 Hallmark Avenue  
Lake Placid, FL 33852

Secretary of State  
Division of Corporations  
PO Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: Stepping Stones Early Learning Center, Inc.

Dear Division of Corporations:

Enclosed please find the Articles of Incorporation for Stepping Stones Early Learning Center, Inc., along with a check in the amount of \$70.00 for the filing fee and designation of registered agent.

Also enclosed is a photocopy of the Articles. Please return to me with the filing date stamped on it.

Thank you,



Selena Pollard  
Director

Enclosures

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
STEPPING STONES EARLY LEARNING CENTER, INC.**

The undersigned person(s), acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation organized under the laws of Florida, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I  
CORPORATE NAME**

The name of the corporation is Stepping Stones Early Learning Center, Inc.

**ARTICLE II  
INTERNAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The mailing address of the corporations' initial principal office is:

824 Hallmark Avenue  
Lake Placid, FL 33852

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**ARTICLE III  
SHARES**

The total number of shares which the corporation shall have authority to issue is 10,000 shares of no par value common stock. The stock shall be deemed section 1244 stock for IRS purposes.

**ARTICLE IV  
REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is:

Selena Pollard  
Stepping Stones Early Learning Center, Inc.  
824 Hallmark Avenue  
Highlands County  
Lake Placid, FL 33852

## **ARTICLE V PURPOSE**

The purpose of the corporation is to engage in any lawful activity permitted by the laws of this state.

## **ARTICLE VI DIRECTORS**

The names and residence address of the persons constituting the initial board of directors are:

Selena Pollard  
824 Hallmark Avenue  
Lake Placid, FL 33852

Toia Addison  
3411 Elmhurst Drive  
Lake Placid, FL 33852

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After the initial board of directors, the board shall consist of such number of directors as shall be determined by the shareholders from time to time at each annual meeting at which directors are to be elected.

## **ARTICLE VII LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, no director of this corporation shall be personally liable to the corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for breach of duty owed to the corporation or its shareholders, except that a director may be held personally liable for (i) breaches of the duty of loyalty, (ii) acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) declaration of unlawful dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions, or (iv) a transaction from which the director derives an improper personal benefit.

Any director or officer who is involved in litigation or other proceeding by reason of his or her position as a director or officer of this corporation shall be indemnified and held harmless by the corporation to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## ARTICLE VIII OTHER PROVISIONS

**Preemptive Rights.** The corporation elects to have preemption rights so that each shareholder has the right to acquire a proportional amount of any shares that are issued.

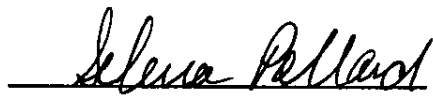
**Director or Officer Interest.** In the absence of fraud, no transaction between (a) this corporation and (b) any other association, corporation or any director or officer of this corporation individually, shall be affected by the fact that any director or officer of this corporation is individually a party to the transaction or is interested in or is a director or officer of such other association or corporation.

**Stock Transfer Restriction.** No shareholder of this corporation shall sell any shares of stock held by him or her in this corporation without first offering to sell such stock to the corporation on the same terms and conditions and at the price offered in good faith and in writing, by any proposed purchaser. The written offer by such proposed purchaser shall be delivered to the corporation at the time the stock is offered to the corporation for sale. The corporation shall have the right to accept the offer any time within thirty (30) days from and after the date on which the offer is made to the shareholder and shall exercise the option to purchase by notifying the shareholder in writing. If the corporation shall not exercise its option to purchase the shares of stock, it shall notify the shareholder, but only to the proposed purchaser on the same terms and conditions as offered to the corporation, and only within thirty (30) days from and after the date on which the corporation declines to exercise its option.

**Corporate Seal.** The corporation shall have no corporate seal.

### Certification

I certify that I have read the above Articles of Incorporation and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

  
Selena Pollard, Incorporator  
824 Hallmark Avenue  
Lake Placid, FL 33852

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**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT AND  
REGISTERED OFFICE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.0501 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submit's the following statement in designating its registered office and registered agent in the state of Florida:

1. The name of the corporation is Stepping Stones Early Learning Center, Inc.
2. The name and address of the registered agent and office of the corporation is:

Selena Pollard  
Stepping Stones Early Learning Center, Inc.  
824 Hallmark Avenue  
Lake Placid, FL 33852  
(863) 464-0189

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2008.

Stepping Stones Early Learning Center, Inc.

By: *Selena Pollard*  
Selena Pollard  
Director

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 status 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 this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2008.

*Selena Pollard*  
Selena Pollard  
Registered Agent

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