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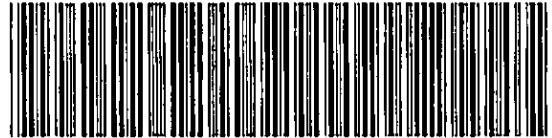
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SUBJECT: THE BCB PAWS FOUNDATION, INC.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: STEPHEN P. HOLMGREN

Name (Printed or typed)

245 RIVERSIDE AVENUE, SUITE 450

Address

JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202

City, State & Zip

(904) 354-8080

Daytime Telephone number

sholmgren@dmjaxlaw.com

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE BCB PAWS FOUNDATION, INC.**

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The undersigned incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation hereby executes said Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a Not-For-Profit Corporation under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE 1. NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of the corporation is THE BCB PAWS FOUNDATION, INC., and the street address of the initial principal office is 245 Riverside Avenue, Suite 450, Jacksonville, FL 32202. The mailing address of the corporation shall be the same as the street address.

ARTICLE 2. DURATION

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE 3. PURPOSE

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific 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.

ARTICLE 4. INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered agent of this corporation is 245 Riverside Avenue, Suite 450, Jacksonville, Florida 32202, and the name of the initial registered agent is Stephen P. Holmgren.

I hereby state that I am familiar with the obligations of and accept appointment as registered agent on behalf of THE BCB PAWS FOUNDATION, INC.


STEPHEN P. HOLMGREN

ARTICLE 5. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have at least three (3) directors initially. The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is set forth in the Bylaws of the corporation. The names and addresses of the initial directors of this corporation are:

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
1.	Meredith Bittner	286 Devonshire Lane Orange Park, FL 32073
2.	Monica Bittner	286 Devonshire Lane Orange Park, FL 32073
3.	Jordan Bittner	4511 S. Johnson Street New Orleans, LA 70125

ARTICLE 6. INCORPORATOR

The name and post office address of the Incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Meredith Bittner	286 Devonshire Lane Orange Park, FL 32073

ARTICLE 7. DISSOLUTION AND DISTRIBUTION

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction 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.

ARTICLE 8. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Notwithstanding any powers granted to this corporation by the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, or by the laws of the State of Florida, the following limitations of powers shall apply:

(1) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, directors, or other private persons, except that this 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 3 above.

(2) 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.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (i) 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 (ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Sections 170(c)(2) or 2055 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding sections of any future federal tax code.

(4) If the corporation is a Private Foundation within the meaning of Section 509 of the Internal Revenue Code, and is not an Operating Foundation as defined by Section 4942(j)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, then the following provisions shall apply:

(a) The corporation will distribute its income for each tax year at a time and in a manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

(b) The corporation will not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

(c) The corporation will not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

(d) The corporation will not make any investments in a manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

(e) The corporation will not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned subscribing incorporator, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of September, 2017, for the purpose of forming this non-profit corporation under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of Florida, and I hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of the State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

Meredith Bittner
MEREDITH BITTNER