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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF CLIMATE FIRST BANCORP, INC.

The undersigned, being of legal age and desiring to form a Florida profit benefit corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act, as amended (such Act, as amended from time to time, is hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), executes the following Articles of Incorporation.

# ARTICLE 1

## Name

The name of the Corporation is Climate First Bancorp, Inc.

# ARTICLE II

# Commencement of Corporate Existence

This Corporation shall commence its existence immediately upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation and shall have perpetual duration unless sooner dissolved according to law.

#### ARTICLE III

#### Purpose and General Powers

The Corporation shall be a Florida benefit corporation under Chapter 607 of the Act or any successor provisions and is organized to create a general public benefit and any and all lawful business. The general purpose of this Corporation shall be the transaction of any or all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the Act and such purpose shall include creating a material positive impact on society and the environment, taken as a whole, from the business and operations of the Corporation. This Corporation shall have all of the powers enumerated in the Act and all such other powers as are not specifically prohibited to corporations for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### Capital Stock

#### A. Number and Class of Shares Authorized; Par Value

The aggregate number of shares which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 25,000,000 shares of common stock having a par value of \$5.00 per share, which shall be designated "Common Stock."

## B. Voting Rights

The Common Stock shall possess and exercise exclusive voting rights and at all

meetings of the shareholders each record holder of such stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share held. Shareholders holding Common Stock shall have no cumulative voting rights in any election of directors of the Corporation.

# C. No Preemptive Rights

No holder of shares of any class of the capital stock of the Corporation shall have as a matter of right any preemptive or preferential right to subscribe for, purchase, receive, or otherwise acquire any part of any new or additional issue of stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, or any bonds, debentures, notes, or other securities of the Corporation, whether or not convertible into shares of stock of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE V

# Principal Place of Business; Initial Registered Agent

The principal place of business and the mailing address of the Corporation shall be 5301 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710. The initial registered agent of the Corporation shall be Michele R. Glorie whose street address is 5301 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710. The Corporation may change its registered agent or the location of its registered office, or both, from time to time without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### Initial Board of Directors

The Corporation elects not to have a director who is designated as the benefit director as contemplated by Section 607.608 of the Act. The initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of three directors. The names and street addresses of the director of this Corporation are:

Kenneth E. LaRoe	5301 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710
Brock McClane	5301 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710
Jared M. Meyers	5301 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710

The number of Directors of this Corporation shall be the number from time to time fixed by the Shareholders, or by the Directors, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Bylaws, but at no time shall said number of Directors be less than one.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### <u>Incorporator</u>

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporator is:

Michele R. Glorie 5301 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Bylaws

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE IX

# Amendment

This Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

# **ARTICLE X**

# Headings and Captions

The headings or captions of these various Articles of Incorporation are inserted for convenience and none of them shall have any force or effect, and the interpretation of the various articles shall not be influenced by any of said headings or captions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned does hereby make and file these Articles of Incorporation and hereunto sets her hand and seal this 4th day of November, 2021.

Michele R. Glorie



# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA AND REGISTERED AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with Sections 48.091 and 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

Climate First Bancorp, Inc. (the "Corporation") desiring to organize as a domestic corporation or qualify under the laws of the State of Florida has named and designated Michele R. Glorie as its Registered Agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida at 5301 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710.

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Having been named as Registered Agent for the Corporation at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity; and I am familiar with and accept the obligations relating to service as a registered agent, as the same may apply to the Corporation; and I further agree to comply with the provisions of Florida Statutes, Section 48.091 and all other statutes, all as the same may apply to the Corporation relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties as Registered Agent.

Dated this 4th day of November, 2021.

Michele R. Glorie, Registered Agent

