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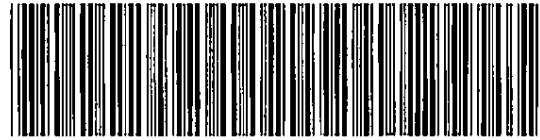
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Corporations

April 8, 2022

JOSEPH G GAIN, JR
2902 EAST 99TH AVE
TAMPA, FL 33612

SUBJECT: ARTISANS BONSAI INC.
Ref. Number: W22000047006

11:00 AM
APR 11 2022

We have received your document for ARTISANS BONSAI INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Sections 607.1113, 605.0203, 620.2104, and 620.8914, F.S., require the certificate of conversion to be signed by the converting entity as required by applicable law. If the converting entity is a corporation, the certificate of conversion must be signed by a chairman, vice chairman, officer, director, or an incorporator. If the converting entity is a limited liability company, the certificate of conversion must be signed by an authorized representative. If the converting entity is a general partnership or limited liability partnership, the certificate of conversion must be signed by a general partner. If the converting entity is a limited partnership or limited liability limited partnership, the certificate of conversion must be signed by all of the general partners. If the converting entity is another type of business entity, an authorized person must sign the certificate of conversion.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6052.

Karen Lovelace
Regulatory Specialist II

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Articles of Conversion
For
Converting Eligible Entity
Into
Florida Profit Corporation

The Articles of Conversion and attached Articles of Incorporation are submitted to convert the following **eligible business entity into a Florida Profit Corporation** in accordance with ss. 607.11933 & 607.0202, Florida Statutes.

1. The name of the Converting Entity immediately prior to the filing of the Articles of Conversion is:

Artisans Bonsai, LLC

Enter Name of the Converting Entity

2. The converting entity is a limited liability company
(Enter entity type. Example: limited liability company, limited partnership,
general partnership, common law or business trust, etc.)

first organized, formed or incorporated under the laws of Florida
(Enter state, or if a non-U.S. entity, the name of the country)

on April 8, 2016
Enter date "Converting Entity" was first organized, formed or incorporated.

3. The name of the Florida Profit Corporation as set forth in the attached Articles of Incorporation:

Artisans Bonsai, Inc.

Enter Name of Florida Profit Corporation

4. This conversion was approved by the eligible converting entity in accordance with this chapter and the laws of its current/organic jurisdiction.

5. If not effective on the date of filing, enter the effective date: _____.

(The effective date: Cannot be prior to nor more than 90 days after the date this document is filed by the Florida Department of State.)

Note: If the date inserted in this block does not meet the applicable statutory filing requirements, this date will not be listed as the document's effective date on the Department of State's records.

Signed this 2nd day of June, 2022.

Required Signature for Florida Profit Corporation:

Signature of Director, Officer, or, if Directors or Officers have not been selected, an Incorporator:

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Required Signature(s) on behalf of Converting Florida partnerships, limited partnerships, and limited liability companies: [See below for required signature(s).]

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Joseph G. Cain, Jr. Title: Managing Member

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

If Florida General Partnership or Limited Liability Partnership:

Signature of one General Partner.

If Florida Limited Partnership or Limited Liability Limited Partnership:

Signatures of ALL General Partners.

If Florida Limited Liability Company:

Signature of a Member or Authorized Representative.

All others:

Signature of an authorized person.

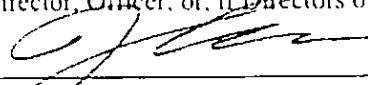
Fees:

Articles of Conversion:	\$35.00
Fees for Florida Articles of Incorporation:	\$70.00
Certified Copy:	\$8.75 (Optional)
Certificate of Status:	\$8.75 (Optional)

Signed this 17th day of March, 2022.

Required Signature for Florida Profit Corporation:

Signature of Director, Officer, or, if Directors or Officers have not been selected, an Incorporator:


Printed Name: Joseph G. Cain, Jr. Title: President

Required Signature(s) on behalf of Converting Florida partnerships, limited partnerships, and limited liability companies: [See below for required signature(s).]

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Joseph G. Cain, Jr. Title: Managing Member

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
ARTISANS BONSAI, INC.**

The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is a natural person competent to contract and hereby form a Corporation for profit under Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 1 – NAME

The name of the Corporation is the **ARTISANS BONSAI, INC.**, (hereinafter, "Corporation").

ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE OF CORPORATION

The Corporation shall engage in the wholesale and retail sales of plants, gardening equipment and supplies related thereto; education on gardening techniques and artistic design of plants; and any other activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and the State of Florida.

ARTICLE 3 – PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The address of the principal office of this Corporation is 9355 East Fowler Avenue, Thonotosassa, Florida 33592, and the mailing address is 2902 East 99th Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33612.

ARTICLE 4 – INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator of this Corporation is:

Joseph G. Cain, Jr.
2902 East 99th Avenue
Tampa, Florida 33612

ARTICLE 5 – OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall be:

President:	Joseph G. Cain, Jr.
Vice-President:	Joseph G. Cain, Jr.
Secretary:	Joseph G. Cain, Jr.
Treasurer:	Joseph G. Cain, Jr.

whose addresses shall be the same as the principal office of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 6 – DIRECTOR(S)

The Director of the Corporation shall be:

Joseph G. Cain, Jr.

whose addresses shall be the same as the principal office of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 7 – CORPORATE CAPITALIZATION

7.1 The maximum number of shares that this Corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any time is **One Hundred (100)** shares of common stock, each share having no par value.

7.2 All holders of shares of common stock shall be identical with each other in every respect and the holders of common shares shall be entitled to have unlimited voting rights on all shares and be entitled to one vote for each share on all matters on which Shareholders have the right to vote.

7.3 All holders of shares of common stock, upon the dissolution of the Corporation, shall be entitled to receive the net assets of the Corporation.

7.4 No holder of shares of stock of any class shall have any preemptive right to subscribe to or purchase any additional shares of any class, or any bonds or convertible securities of any nature; provided, however, that the Board of Director(s) may, in authorizing the issuance of shares of stock of any class, confer any preemptive right that the Board of Director(s) may deem advisable in connection with such issuance.

7.5 The Board of Director(s) of the Corporation may authorize the issuance from time to time of shares of its stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, or securities convertible into shares of its stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, for such consideration as the Board of Director(s) may deem advisable, subject to such restrictions or limitations, if any, as may set forth in the bylaws of the Corporation.

7.6 The Board of Director(s) of the Corporation may, by Restated Articles of Incorporation, classify or reclassify any unissued stock from time to time by settling or changing the preferences, conversions or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, or term or conditions of redemption of the stock

ARTICLE 8 – SUB-CHAPTER S CORPORATION

The Corporation may elect to be an S Corporation, as provided in Sub-Chapter S of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

8.1 The shareholders of this Corporation may elect and, if elected, shall continue such election to be an S Corporation as provided in Sub-Chapter S of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, unless the shareholders of the Corporation unanimously agree otherwise in writing.

8.2 After this Corporation has elected to be an S Corporation, none of the shareholders of this Corporation, without the written consent of all the shareholders of this Corporation shall take any action, or make any transfer or other disposition of the shareholders' shares of stock in the Corporation, as provided in Sub-Chapter S of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

8.3 Once the Corporation has elected to be an S Corporation, each share of stock issued by this Corporation shall contain the following legend:

“The shares of stock represented by this certificate cannot be transferred if such transfer would void the election of the Corporation to be taxed under the Sub-Chapter S of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.”

ARTICLE 9 – SHAREHOLDERS' RESTRICTIVE AGREEMENT

All of the shares of stock of this Corporation may be subject to a Shareholders' Restrictive Agreement containing numerous restrictions on the rights of shareholders of the Corporation and transferability of the shares of stock of the Corporation. A copy of the Shareholders' Restrictive Agreement, if any, is on file at the principal office of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 10 – POWERS OF CORPORATION

This Corporation shall have the same powers as an individual to do all things necessary or convenient to carry out its business and affairs, subject to any limitations or restrictions imposed by applicable law or these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE 11 – TERM OF EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE 12 – REGISTERED OWNER(S)

The Corporation, to the extent permitted by law, shall be entitled to treat the person in whose name any share or right is registered on the books of the Corporation as the owner thereto, for all purposes, and except as may be agreed in writing by the Corporation shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to, or interest in, such share or right on the part of any other person, whether or not the Corporation shall have notice thereof.

ARTICLE 13 – REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The initial address of registered office of this Corporation is located at 2902 East 99th Avenue, Florida 33612. The name and address of the registered agent of this Corporation is Joseph G. Cain, Jr., 2902 East 99th Avenue, Florida 33612.

ARTICLE 14 – BYLAWS

The Board of Director(s) of the Corporation shall have power, without the assent or vote of the shareholders, to make, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws of the Corporation, but the affirmative vote of a number of Directors equal to a majority of the number who would constitute a full Board of Director(s) at the time of such action shall be necessary to take any action for the making, alteration, amendment or repeal of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE 15 – EFFECTIVE DATE

These Articles of Incorporation shall be effective immediately upon approval of Secretary of State, State of Florida.

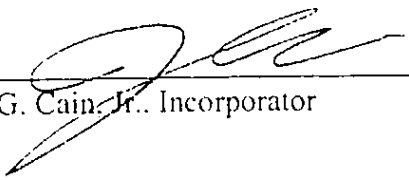
ARTICLE 16 – AMENDMENT

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision in these Articles of Incorporation, or in any amendment hereto, or to add any provision to these Articles of Incorporation or to any amendment hereto, in any manner now or hereafter prescribed or permitted by the provisions of any applicable statute of the State of Florida, and all the rights conferred upon shareholders in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment hereto are granted subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE 17 – INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation shall indemnify of a director or officer of the Corporation who was wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which the director or officer was a party because the director or officer is or was a director of the Corporation against reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by director or officer in connection with the proceeding. The Corporation may indemnify an individual made a party to a proceeding because the individual is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation against liability if authorized in the specific case after determination, in the manner required by the board of directors, that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent, as the case may be, is permissible in the circumstances because the director, officer, employee or agent met the standard of conduct set forth by the board of directors. The indemnification and advancement of attorney fees and expenses for directors, officers, employees and agents of the Corporation shall apply when such persons are serving at the Corporation's request while a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, as the case may be, as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or agent of another foreign or domestic Corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, whether or not for profit, as well in their official capacity with the Corporation. The Corporation also may pay for or reimburse the reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation who is a party to a proceeding in advance of final disposition of the proceeding. The Corporation also may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of an individual arising from the individual's status as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, whether or not the Corporation would have power to indemnify the individual against the same liability under the law. All references in these Articles of Incorporation are deemed to include any amendment or successor thereto. Nothing contained in these Articles of Incorporation shall limit or preclude the exercise of any right relating to indemnification or advance of attorney fees and expenses to any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or the ability of the Corporation otherwise to indemnify or advance expenses to any such person by contract or in any other manner. If any word, clause or sentence of the foregoing provisions regarding indemnification or advancement of the attorney fees or expenses shall be held invalid as contrary to law or public policy, it shall be severable and the provisions remaining shall not be otherwise affected. All references in these Articles of Incorporation to "director", "officer", "employee" and "agent" shall include the heirs, estates, executors, administrators and personal representatives of such persons.

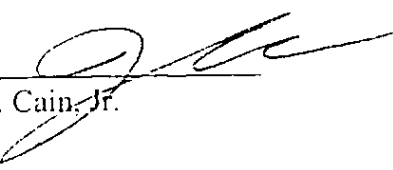
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, acknowledged and filed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation under the laws of the State of Florida, this 17th day of March, 2022.



Joseph G. Cain, Jr., Incorporator

**ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED
IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

Joseph G. Cain, Jr., having a business office identical with the registered mailing address of the Corporation name above, and having been designated as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under the applicable provisions of the Florida Statutes.



Joseph G. Cain, Jr.