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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR
THE LAKE CLUB WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE, INC.
A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION

ARTICLE I. - NAME

The name of the Corporation is: THE LAKE CLUB WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE, INC.

ARTICLE II. - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office address of the Corporation is 6320 Venture Drive Suite 104, Lakewood Ranch, Florida 34202 and the mailing address of the Corporation is 6320 Venture Drive Suite 104, Lakewood Ranch, Florida 34202.

ARTICLE III. - CORPORATE EXISTENCE AND DURATION

The Corporation shall exist perpetually, unless dissolved sooner as authorized by law.

ARTICLE IV. - EXEMPT PURPOSES AND POWERS

A. This Corporation is a not-for-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. It is not organized for the private gain of any person. The general purposes for which the Corporation is to be organized are exclusively within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the specific purpose of this Corporation is to support organizations that address the physical, emotional and educational needs of women, children and families in Manatee and Sarasota Counties in Florida. In carrying out the aforementioned purposes, the Corporation shall have the power to exercise all rights conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon non-profit corporations.

B. The purposes for which THE LAKE CLUB WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE, INC., is organized are exclusively for one or more of the charitable purposes as specified within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (I.R.C. §501(c)(3)) or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

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C. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from taxation under I.R.C. §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations issued pursuant thereto as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

D. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any Director of the Corporation or any member of the Corporation or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation affecting one or more of its purposes), and no Director of the Corporation or any member of the Corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Corporation.

E. In the event of dissolution, all the remaining assets and property of the Corporation shall, after necessary expenses thereof, be distributed to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in I.R.C. §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding sections of any subsequent Internal Revenue Code or Regulation, or to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in I.R.C. §501(c)(3) and §170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding sections of any subsequent Internal Revenue Code or Regulation, or to the Federal government, or state or local government for a public purpose, subject to the approval of a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE V. – BYLAWS

The Board of Directors of this Corporation shall make, adopt, alter, amend, and repeal such Bylaws of the Corporation for the conduct of the business of the Corporation and the carrying out of its purposes as such Board of Directors may deem necessary from time to time.

ARTICLE VI. - QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The terms, conditions and qualifications with respect to the membership (if any) of this Corporation shall be as provided for by the By-laws of the Corporation.

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ARTICLE VII. - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the individual who will serve as this Corporation's registered agent is Joseph L. Najmy with an address of Najmy Thompson, PL 6320 Venture Drive, Suite 104, Lakewood Ranch, Florida 34202.

ARTICLE VIII. - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of a Board of Directors. The number of the Directors on this Corporation's Board of Directors shall be determined from time to time, as provided in this Corporation's By-laws but shall never be less than three (3). Such Directors are to be elected or appointed in the manner provided for by the Corporation's By-laws. The Directors shall have the power to appoint officers in the manner provided for by the Corporation's By-laws.

ARTICLE IX. - INCORPORATOR AND INITIAL DIRECTORS

The names and addresses of the incorporator and initial Directors are as follows:

1. Incorporator / Barbara Najmy: 16215 Clearlake Avenue, Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202
2. Director / Barbara Najmy: 16215 Clearlake Avenue, Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202
3. Director / Jennifer Alokeh: 15320 Anchorage Place, Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202
4. Director / Lauren Hirsch: 16342 Daysailor Trail, Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202

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ARTICLE X. - AMENDMENT

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Corporation at a regular meeting or at a duly called special meeting upon notice given, as provided by the Bylaws, of intention to submit such amendments to the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

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**ARTICLE XI - DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION OF
OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

The Corporation shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless, every registered agent, director or officer and his or her heirs, personal representatives and administrators against liability and against expenses reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with any action, suit or proceeding to which he or she may be made a party by reason of his or her having been a director or officer of this Corporation, except in relation to matters as to which he or she shall be finally adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for willful misconduct. The foregoing rights shall be in addition to other rights to which he or she may be entitled.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 8th day of March 2023.


Barbara Najmy, Inc. Incorporator

ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that, as set forth in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, he will serve as Registered Agent of THE LAKE CLUB WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE, INC. Pursuant to Section 617.0501(3), Florida Statutes, I hereby state that I am familiar with and will perform the duties, obligations and responsibilities as Registered Agent for said corporation.

DATED this 8th day of March 2023.


Joseph L. Najmy, Esq. Registered Agent

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