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NONPROFIT CORPORATION  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Pursuant to Section 33-31-202 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, the undersigned corporation submits the following information:

1. The name of the proposed corporation is EC FOUNDATION, INC.

2. The initial registered office of the corporation is 132 N MAIN ST  
Street Address

<u>DUE WEST</u>	<u>ABBEVILLE</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>29639</u>
City	County	State	Zip

and the initial registered agent at such address is LEE W. LOGAN  
Print Name

I hereby consent to the appointment as registered agent of the corporation:

Electronically filed on SCBOS. Signature not required.

Agent's Signature

3. Check "a", "b", or "c" whichever is applicable. Check only one box:

a.  The nonprofit corporation is a public benefit corporation.

b.  The nonprofit corporation is a religious corporation.

c.  The nonprofit corporation is a mutual benefit corporation.

4. Check "a" or "b", whichever is applicable.

a.  The corporation will have members.

b.  The corporation will not have members.

EC FOUNDATION, INC.

Name of Corporation

5. The address of the principle office of the nonprofit corporation is:

PO BOX 515 LEE W. LOGAN

Street Address

DUE WEST

ABBEVILLE

SC US

296390515

City

County

State

Zip

6. If this nonprofit corporation is either a public benefit or religious corporation (when box "a" or "b" of paragraph 3 is checked), complete either "a" or "b", whichever is applicable, to describe how the remaining assets of the corporation will be distributed upon dissolution of the corporation.

a.  Upon dissolution of the 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 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 asset not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principle 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.

b.  Upon dissolution of the corporation, consistent with the law, the remaining assets of the corporation shall be distributed to:

7. If the corporation is a mutual benefit corporation (when box "c" of paragraph 3 is checked), complete either "a" or "b", whichever is applicable, to describe how the (remaining) assets of the corporation will be distributed upon dissolution of the corporation.

a.  Upon dissolution of the mutual benefit corporation, the (remaining) assets shall be distributed to its members, to those persons to whom the corporation holds itself out as benefiting or serving.

b.  Upon dissolution of the mutual benefit corporation, the (remaining) assets, consistent with the law, shall be distributed to

8. The optional provisions, which the nonprofit corporation elects to include in the articles of incorporation, are as follows (See 33-31-202(c) of the 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, the applicable comments thereto, and the instructions to this form).

9. The name, address, and signature of each incorporator is as follows (only one is required):

MARK S. BURGREN

801 BROAD ST STE 700 AUGUSTA GA US

309011251

Name

Address

Zip Code

10. Each original director of the nonprofit corporation must sign the articles but only if the directors are named in these articles:

11. Each incorporator must sign the articles.

**SUPPLEMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**EC FOUNDATION, INC.**

This is to certify that the following provisions are supplementary to and part of the Articles of Incorporation of **EC Foundation, Inc.** (the "Corporation") filed with the Secretary of State of the State of South Carolina simultaneously with the filing of this Supplement, as permitted by South Carolina Code of Laws Annotated Section 33-31-202(c) (1976, as amended) and by Paragraph 8 of the aforesaid Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE I**

The Corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of such terms as used in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, within the United States or any of its possessions, and to provide, conduct and engage in any other services or activities in furtherance of such purposes.

The Corporation shall have and possess all the benefits, privileges, rights, and powers created, given, extended or conferred by the provisions of all applicable laws of the State of South Carolina pertaining to nonprofit corporations and any additions or amendments thereto.

**ARTICLE II**

(a) The Corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for public, charitable and educational purposes, and not for pecuniary gain or profit. No part of the property of the corporation and no part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any Director or Officer of the Corporation or any private individual, except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation affecting its purpose.

(b) The Corporation shall not possess or exercise any power or authority, either expressly, by implication, or by operation of law, that will prevent it at any time from qualifying and continuing to qualify as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, nor shall it engage directly or indirectly in any activity which would cause the loss of such qualification.

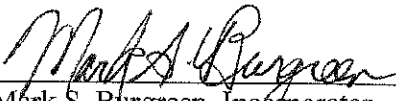
(c) No part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate or intervene (including the publication or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, nor shall any part of its property or any part of the income therefrom be devoted to such purposes.

**ARTICLE III**

If it is determined that the Corporation is a private foundation as defined in Section 509(a) of the Code, its income shall be distributed for each taxable year at such times and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Code.

If it is determined that the Corporation constitutes a private foundation as defined in Section 509 of the Code, the Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Code; nor retain any excess business holding as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Code; nor make any investments in such manner as to incur tax liability under Section 4944 of the Code; nor make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Code.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned has signed this Supplement to Articles of Incorporation as of the 1st day of April, 2010.

  
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Mark S. Burgreen, Incorporator

