



**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Office of the Secretary of State**

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**Non-Profit Corporation
Articles of Incorporation**

(Chapter 7-6-34 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is Pocasset Pokanoket Land Trust, Inc.

ARTICLE II

The period of its duration is Perpetual

ARTICLE III

The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

THE POCASSET POKANOKET LAND TRUST, INC. ("PPLT") IS ORGANIZED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

THE PURPOSES OF THE PPLT ARE TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT NATURAL, CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL RESOURCES, WATERSHEDS, HABITATS, ECOSYSTEMS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES; WITHIN THE HISTORICAL LANDS OF THE POCASSET POKANOKET NATION, TO ENCOURAGE SOUND CONSERVATION PRACTICES; TO PRESERVE NATIVE LIFEWAYS AND ACCESS TO WATERS; TO ENGAGE IN AND EDUCATE AND TRAIN OTHERS ABOUT CONSERVATION, STEWARDSHIP AND MAINTENANCE OF OPEN LANDS, WETLANDS, WOODLANDS, AND ECOSYSTEMS; AND TO ENGAGE IN RELATED CONSERVATION, EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES.

ARTICLE IV

Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE PURPOSES, PPLT SHALL BE EMPOWERED AS PROVIDED IN RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 7-6, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED: (1) TO ACQUIRE, BY PURCHASE, LEASE, GIFT, GRANT, DEVISE, BEQUEST OR OTHERWISE, TO SELL, LEASE, CONVEY, INVEST AND REINVEST, LAND AND INTERESTS IN LAND; (2) TO REQUEST, PETITION FOR, RECEIVE, UTILIZE AND EXPEND DONATIONS FOR THE ABOVE PURPOSES, AND (3) TO DO ALL THAT IS NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THE ABOVE PURPOSES.

THE PPLT MAY HAVE AND EXERCISE ALL POWERS NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT TO EFFECT ANY OR ALL OF THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE PPLT IS FORMED; PROVIDED, THAT NO SUCH POWER SHALL BE EXERCISED IN A MANNER INCONSISTENT WITH RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 7-6 OR ANY OTHER

CHAPTER OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND OR SECTION 501 (C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS NOW IN FORCE OR AS HEREAFTER AMENDED.

THE PPLT SHALL OPERATE IN SUCH MANNER THAT THERE IS NO PECUNIARY PROFIT OR GAIN TO ITS MEMBERS. NO PART OF THE NET EARNINGS OF THE PPLT SHALL INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF, OR BE DISTRIBUTABLE TO, ITS MEMBERS, DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, OR OTHER PRIVATE PERSONS, EXCEPT THAT THE PPLT 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 III.

NO SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PPLT SHALL BE THE CARRYING ON OF PROPAGANDA, OR OTHERWISE ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE LEGISLATION, AND THE PPLT SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE IN, OR INTERVENE IN (INCLUDING THE PUBLISHING OR DISTRIBUTION OF STATEMENTS) OF ANY POLITICAL CAMPAIGN ON BEHALF OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO ANY CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE. ALL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PPLT AND ACCUMULATIONS THEREOF SHALL BE HELD AND ADMINISTERED TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN ARTICLE III. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THESE ARTICLES, THE PPLT SHALL NOT, EXCEPT TO AN INSUBSTANTIAL DEGREE, ENGAGE IN ANY ACTIVITIES OR EXERCISE ANY POWERS THAT ARE NOT IN FURTHERANCE OF ITS PURPOSES.

UPON DISSOLUTION OF THE PPLT, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL, AFTER PAYING OR PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF ALL PROPER DEBTS, CHARGES AND EXPENSES, GIVE, CONVEY AND TRANSFER ALL OR ANY PART OF THE ASSETS OF THE PPLT TO ONE OR MORE ORGANIZATIONS ORGANIZED AND OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL OR SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES AND EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

ARTICLE V

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

No. and Street: 44 BEDSON RD
City or Town: CRANSTON State: RI Zip: 02910

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is LESLEY S. RICH, ESQ.

ARTICLE VI

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 3 and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
DIRECTOR	GEORGE SPRING	6 SHERMAN AVE AUBURN, MA 01501 USA
DIRECTOR	DUANE SHEPARD	9607 SO. DENKER AVE LOS ANGELES, CA 90047 USA
DIRECTOR	LESLEY S RICH	44 BEDSON RD CRANSTON, RI 02910 USA

ARTICLE VII

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	LESLEY S RICH	44 BEDSON RD CRANSTON, RI 02910 USA

ARTICLE VIII

Date when corporate existence is to begin 09/01/2017
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

Signed this 30 Day of August, 2017 at 12:20:31 PM by the incorporator(s). *This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the corporation, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-6.*

Enter signature(s) below.

/LESLEY S RICH/

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Nellie M. Gorbea, *Secretary of State*

I, NELLIE M. GORBEA, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island
and Providence Plantations, hereby certify that this document, duly executed in
accordance with the provisions of Title 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as
amended, has been filed in this office on this day:

August 30, 2017 12:18 PM

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nellie M. Gorbea". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Nellie M. Gorbea
Secretary of State

