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**NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
(To Be Filed In Duplicate Original)

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

1. The name of the corporation is Tall Ships Rhode Island 2007

*(2) 1/4/05  
or only after resolution of 1/4/05 attached*

2. The period of its duration is (if perpetual, so state) February 1, 2005 to December 31, 2007

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

- Organize, fund and produce a tall ships festival in Newport Rhode Island as part of the
- American Sail Training Association's 2007 Tall Ship Challenge series, and the Naval War
- College's 50th anniversary of the first graduation from the Naval Command College.
- Develop educational material targeting fifth grade classes using international ships and
- crews to teach history, language, geography, culture, music, etc.
- Organize an international village at Fort Adams State Park to provide a meeting area for
- crews of the visiting ships and local public to further international understanding.
- Provide a venue for sports competition between foreign vessel crews and local teams.

4. 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:

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5. The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 67 Kay Street  
(Street Address, *not* P.O. Box)  
Newport, RI 02840, and the name of its initial registered agent at such  
(City/Town) (Zip Code)  
address is Eric J. Williams  
(Name of Agent)

6. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 5  
(not less than three directors)  
and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Eric J. Williams</u>	<u>67 Kay Street, Newport, RI 02840</u>
<u>Thomas Weschler</u>	<u>111 Harrison Ave. D-2 Newport, RI 02840</u>
<u>Ted Czech</u>	<u>120 Rodger Williams Ct, Portsmouth RI 02871</u>
<u>Bart Dunbar</u>	<u>13 Bowens Wharf, Newport, RI 02840</u>
<u>Graeme Smith</u>	<u>142 Mill Rd, Newport, RI 02840</u>

7. The name and address of each incorporator is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Eric J. Williams</u>	<u>67 Kay Street, Newport, RI 02840</u>
<u>Thomas Weschler</u>	<u>111 Harrison Ave. D-2 Newport, RI 02840</u>
<u>Bart Dunbar</u>	<u>13 Bowens Wharf, Newport, RI 02840</u>

8. Date when corporate existence is to begin February 1, 2005  
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

Under penalty of perjury, I/we declare and affirm that I/we have examined these Articles of Incorporation, including any accompanying attachments, and that all statements contained herein are true and correct.

Date: January 4, 2005

Thomas Weschler  
Eric J. Williams  
Bart Dunbar

Signature of each Incorporator