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May 8, 2002

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Sincerely,

Bob Brown
Secretary of State
Enclosure

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STATE OF MONTANA
ARTICLES of INCORPORATION
for DOMESTIC NONPROFIT
CORPORATION
(35-2-213, MCA)

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Prepared, sign and submit an ORIGINAL and COPY with fee.

Executed by the undersigned person for the purpose of forming a Montana nonprofit corporation.

FIRST: The name of the Nonprofit Corporation is Montana Nonprofit Association, Inc.

SECOND: The name and address of the registered office/agent in Montana:
Name: Joy McGrath
Street Address: 825 Helena Avenue
Mailing Address: (same)
City: Helena MONTANA Zip Code: 59601

Signature of Agent (Required) Joy McGrath

THIRD: The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:
Name: Joy McGrath
Address: 825 E Helena Avenue
Helena MT Zip Code: 59601

FOURTH: The Nonprofit Corporation ☒ WILL ☐ WILL NOT have members.

FIFTH: This Nonprofit Corporation is a (check one):
☒ Public Benefit Corporation
☐ Mutual Benefit Corporation
☐ Religious Corporation

SIXTH: Upon dissolution, the assets shall be distributed in the following manner:
To one or more 501(c)(3) organizations

Signature of Incorporator Joy McGrath 5/2/02
Date

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Revised: 01/02/2001
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
MONTANA NONPROFIT ASSOCIATION, INC.
A Montana Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation

ARTICLE I
Name

The name of the Corporation shall be MONTANA NONPROFIT ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE II
Purpose

This corporation shall be a public benefit corporation.

This Corporation’s purpose is to strengthen the leadership, skills, effectiveness, and efficiency of Montana’s nonprofits, enabling them to further enrich the quality of community and personal life in Montana. It promotes a stronger nonprofit sector and supportive public climate through research, education, training, public policy education, access to affordable goods and services, and special projects.

Said Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization 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 the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by any organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

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ARTICLE III
Period of Duration

The period of duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE IV
Members

The Corporation shall have one or more classes of members. The designation of such class or classes, the manner of their election or appointment, and the qualification and rights of the members of each class, including voting rights, if any, shall be set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V
Provisions for Corporation

The title to and ownership of all the corporate property and of all money or property given or distributed to it shall be vested in the Corporation, and shall be managed by its Board of Directors for the purposes of the Corporation, and no individual shall have any right or interest in the property of this Corporation. No part of the net earnings of this Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any Trustee, member, private shareholder, or individual.

ARTICLE VI
Distribution Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed to one or more exempt organizations within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the county in which the principle office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for the purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for purposes exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE VII
Registered Agent and Registered Office

The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation in Montana is Joy McGrath and the address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is 825 Helena Avenue, Helena, Montana 59601.
ARTICLE VIII
Incorporator and Agent for Service of Process

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

Joy McGrath  825 Helena Avenue  Helena, MT 59601

Dated 3-27-02

[Signatures]
Sole Incorporator
Agent for Service of Process

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