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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
NATIONAL OLDTIME FIDDLERS', INC.
an Idaho nonprofit corporation

The undersigned natural person, being over the age of eighteen years, and acting as incorporator under Title 30, Chapter 3, Idaho Code, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming an Idaho nonprofit corporation.

Article I - NAME

The name of the corporation is **NATIONAL OLDTIME FIDDLERS', INC.**

Article II - DURATION

The duration of this corporation is perpetual, unless earlier dissolved pursuant to law.

Article III - PURPOSES

1. To foster and promote oldtime and traditional fiddling and related traditional arts, including, but not limited to, conducting research, providing instruction, maintaining archives and collections on oldtime and traditional fiddling and related traditional arts, and conducting and sponsoring public shows, exhibitions and competitions of such arts.
2. To operate primarily as an educational and cultural organization and to have and exercise all powers granted to such an organization by the laws of the State of Idaho, and applicable federal law.
3. To act and operate exclusively as a nonprofit corporation pursuant to the

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laws of the State of Idaho, and to act and operate as a charitable organization in lessening the burdens of government by encouraging and supporting the performing and preservation of traditional arts.

4. To engage in any and all activities and pursuits, and to support or assist such other organizations, as may be reasonably related to the foregoing and following purposes.

5. To engage in any and all other lawful purposes, activities and pursuits which are substantially similar to the foregoing, and which are or may hereafter be authorized by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and which are consistent with those powers described in Title 30, Chapter 3, Idaho Code, The Idaho Nonprofit Corporation Act, as amended and supplemented.

6. To solicit and receive contributions; purchase, own and sell real and personal property; make and enter into contracts; invest and spend corporate funds for proper corporate purposes; and engage in any activity in furtherance of, incidental to, or connected with any of the other purposes set forth herein.

7. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to the corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein.

8. No substantial 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 in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office except as authorized under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended;

9. The corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

Article IV –MEMBERS / NO STOCK

Any person who supports the objects and purposes of this corporation and pays annual dues may become a member thereof. Membership requirements shall be as set forth in the Bylaws of this corporation. There shall be only one class of members, and there shall be no stock issued to members of the corporation.

The Corporation Shall have voting members.

Article V -BY-LAWS

The Board of Directors of the corporation shall have the power to make, adopt and amend the Bylaws of this corporation.

Article VI – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The initial Board of Directors of this corporation shall be three (3) persons, and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until their successors are elected and qualify are:

BRUCE CAMPBELL

**115 WEST IDAHO
WEISER, IDAHO 83672**

LAYNA HAFFER

**115 WEST IDAHO
WEISER, IDAHO 83672**

MICHELLE ESTES

**115 WEST IDAHO
WEISER, IDAHO 83672**

Article VII – INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is:

**JOHN CURTIS HUCKS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, P.C.
P.O. BOX 737, NEW MEADOWS, ID 83654**

Article VIII - REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The address of the corporation's initial registered office shall be **115 WEST IDAHO, WEISER, IDAHO 83672**. Such office may be changed at any time by the Board of Directors without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation.

The corporation's initial registered agent at such address shall be:

BRUCE CAMPBELL

Article IX – PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The principal place of business of the corporation shall be **115 WEST IDAHO, WEISER, IDAHO 83672**. The business of the corporation may be conducted in all counties of the State of Idaho, all states and territories of the United States, and all foreign countries as the Board of Directors shall determine.

Article X – DISTRIBUTIONS

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation 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 hereof. No substantial 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 in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office, except as permitted by law. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or supplemented, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or supplemented.

Article XI –DISSOLUTION

Upon the 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, as amended or supplemented, or shall be distributed to the federal government or to a state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the county in which the principal 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.

I, **JOHN CURTIS HUCKS**, have executed these Articles of Incorporation in duplicate this 30th day of September, 2004, and say that I am the incorporator herein; that I have read the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation; know the contents thereof and that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.



JOHN CURTIS HUCKS