ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

A Bright Spot, Inc.

The undersigned incorporators, who are individuals 18 years of age or older, do hereby form a corporation under the nonstock corporation laws of Maryland, and hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

Deidre L Schrader, 5912 Onondaga Rd, Bethesda, MD 20816 Mary Crowe 16 Regis Circle Sterling VA 20164 Catherine Glidden, 4336 Carls Ct, Chantilly, VA 20151 ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this corporation is A Bright Spot, Inc. and herein known as the corporation.

ARTICLE II. REGISTERED OFFICE

The physical address of the registered office for this corporation is at: 5912 Onondaga Rd, Bethesda, MD 20816.

ARTICLE III. RESIDENT AGENT

The name and address of the initial resident agent is: Deidre L Schrader, 5912 Onondaga Rd, Bethesda, MD 20816.

ARTICLE IV. DURATION

The period of duration is: Perpetual

ARTICLE V. PURPOSE

The objects and purposes of the Corporation, which is not formed for pecuniary profit or financial gain, shall be exclusively to operate for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and any corresponding provision of any future Internal Revenue law of the United States.

The specific purpose of this corporation is to provide joy and happiness to children in need of support. Primarily, this is in the form of letters, stickers, and cards. These will be mailed to children or hand-delivered to caretakers. Donations will be received to procure stamps, envelopes, and other expenses associated with providing a bright spot in each child's day. Donations of money, real property, or other property will be received for this purpose. The Corporation intends to solicit for donations directly but may engage a professional solicitor or fund-raising counsel on its behalf, if necessary. The Corporation shall engage in such activities that will promote the public interest in, and support for, the purposes of the Corporation.

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific 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 the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE VI. INITIAL DIRECTORS

The number of directors, and the method of selecting directors, shall be fixed by the Bylaws of this corporation. The initial directors shall be three (3) in number, which may be increased of decreased pursuant to the bylaws of the Corporation. The names and addresses of these initial directors are as follows:

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ARTICLE VII. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

- 1. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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 Third hereof.
- 2. 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 in, 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.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 4. No member, officer, or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers, or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

ARTICLE VIII. 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, or the 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 assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned, being the Incorporators of [name of nonprofit] executed these Articles of Incorporation on August 29, 2022.

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Deidre L Schrader, 5912 Onondaga Rd, Bethesda, MD 20816, Resident Agent
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Manager
Mary Crowe, Incorporator
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Catherine Glidden, Incorporator