

State of North Carolina
Department of the Secretary of State

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
NONPROFIT CORPORATION

Pursuant to §55A-2-02 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the undersigned corporation does hereby submit these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation.

1. The name of the nonprofit corporation is: Friends of Flying L Ranch.

2. (Check only if applicable.) The corporation is a charitable or religious corporation as defined in NCGS §55A-1-40(4).

3. The name of the initial registered agent is: Curtis Hika.

4. The street address and county of the initial registered agent's office of the corporation is:

Number and Street: 6066 Junaluska Rd

City: Andrews State: NC Zip Code: 28901 County: Cherokee

The mailing address *if different from the street address* of the initial registered agent's office is:

Number and Street or PO Box: _____

City: _____ State: NC Zip Code: _____ County: _____

5. The name and address of each incorporator is as follows:

Michael Lares - 260 Lares Mountain Rd Brasstown, NC 28902

6. (Check either "a" or "b" below.)

a. The corporation will have members.

b. The corporation will not have members.

7. Attached are provisions regarding the distribution of the corporation's assets upon its dissolution.

8. Any other provisions which the corporation elects to include are attached.

9. The street address and county of the principal office of the corporation is:

Principal Office Telephone Number: (828) 541-1707

Number and Street: 6066 Junaluska Road

City: Andrews State: NC Zip Code: 28901 County: Cherokee

The mailing address *if different from the street address* of the principal office is:

Number and Street or PO Box: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ County: _____

10. **(Optional):** Listing of Officers (See instructions for why this is important)

Chairman - Michael Dennis Lares - 260 Lares Mountain Rd Brasstown, NC 28902

Secretary - Curtis Hika - 6066 Junaluska Rd Andrews, NC 28901

Treasurer - Laura Edwards - 5530 Cross Gate Ct Sandy Springs, GA 30327

Executive Director - Dawn Olivieri - PO Box 786 Mena, AR 71953

Chief Technology Officer - Ashley Williamson - 31 W Torrence Rd Columbus, OH 43214

Executive Officer - Kanai Patel - 2463 N Canal View Ln Heber City, UT 84032

11. **(Optional):** Please provide a business e-mail address: Privacy Redaction

The Secretary of State's Office will e-mail the business automatically at the address provided at no charge when a document is filed. The e-mail provided will not be viewable on the website. For more information on why this service is being offered, please see the instructions for this document.

12. These articles will be effective upon filing, unless a future time and/or date is specified: _____

This is the 21 day of April, 2026.

Michael Lares

Incorporator Business Entity Name

Michael Dennis Lares

Signature of Incorporator

Michael Dennis Lares

Type or print Incorporator's name and title, if any

NOTES:

1. Filing fee is \$60. This document must be filed with the Secretary of State.

Friends of Flying L Ranch

Dissolution Provision for Articles of Incorporation

Dissolution Provision

Upon the dissolution of Friends of Flying L Ranch, assets shall be distributed exclusively 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.

Any such assets shall be distributed to one or more organizations that are organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, scientific, or animal welfare purposes and that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

In furtherance of its charitable purposes, such distributions may include qualified domestic or international charitable organizations, provided that such organizations operate exclusively for charitable purposes consistent with those of Friends of Flying L Ranch.

Any assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction in 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.

Organization Name: Friends of Flying L Ranch
State of Incorporation: North Carolina
Entity Type: Nonprofit Corporation

Organizers

The Dissolution Clause

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.

The Limitation of Activities Clause

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 these Articles. 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.

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.

Organizers

Purpose of Corporation

The corporation is organized for the following purpose(s): (check all that apply):

- Religious
- Charitable
- Educational
- Testing for public safety
- Scientific
- Literary
- Fostering national or international amateur sports competitions, and/or
- Prevention of cruelty to children or animals.