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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

PIEDMONT BLUES PRESERVATION SOCIETY

(Name of Corporation)

A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

We, the undersigned natural persons of the age of twenty-one years or more, acting as incorporators for the purpose of creating a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of North Carolina, as contained in Chapter 55A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, entitled "Non-Profit Corporation Act", and the several amendments thereto, do hereby set forth:

1. The name of the corporation is Piedmont Blues Preservation Society

2. The period of duration of the corporation shall be perpetual

(May be perpetual or for a limited period)

3. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are: The preservation and presentation of the music known commonly as the Blues, this form of music having evolved historically from the work songs and spirituals of the Black Afro-American race. This society will strive to document and preserve both the Black American and North Carolina Blues traditions, to present educational programs, seminars and workshops and to revive interest in Blues in the local Black communities. The further purposes are enumerated in attachment A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

4. The corporation is to have the following class or classes of members: (If there are to be no members, so state.)

Individual, Family, Friend of the Blues, Patron of the Blues, Blueblood.

5. Directors of the corporation shall be elected in the following manner: By popular vote of the members

6. The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is as follows:

Street address, (if none, so state) 302 S. Tremont Drive

City or town Greensboro, N.C. 27403

County Guilford

The name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at the above address is William E. Mitchell