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Macksburg Garden Club

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The Public

Pearl E. Shetterly, Recorder

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of MACKSBURG GARDEN CLUB

BE IT KNOWN that we, Eva Fisher, Martha Smith, Gertrude Beamer and Bettie Barker, all of Macksburg, Iowa, have adopted and do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a corporation, not for pecuniary profit under the laws of the State of Iowa.

ARTICLE I
NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be "MACKSBURG GARDEN CLUB", and its principal place of business shall be in the Town of Macksburg, Madison County, Iowa.

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ARTICLE II Object of the Corporation

Section 1. The purpose of this club shall be to promote a greater interest in gardening, growing of flowers, shrubs and trees, to exchange experiences concerning gardening and landscaping as shall be of mutual benefit to all the members of this club, to promote civic and community beautification and pride, and to make the Town of Macksburg a better place in which to live.

Section 2. The further purpose of said club shall be to cooperate with other local civic organizations in advancing programs of usefulness to the city, state and nation.

Section 3. This corporation in its activities shall be non-partisan, non-sectional and non-sectarian.

ARTICLE III Powers

The Corporation shall have and enjoy all of the powers which corporations not for pecuniary profit may exercise under the laws of the State of Iowa. The Corporation shall have the power to acquire, hold, transfer, convey, assign, lease and/or mortgage real and personal property. It shall have the power to receive and acquire by gift or bequest any property real, personal or mixed, for the purpose of furthering and carrying out the objects of the Corporation. All instruments affecting real property executed on behalf of the Corporation shall be signed by the President and Secretary after first being approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting.

ARTICLE IV Commencement and Duration

The Corporation shall commence business upon the filing of these articles, signed and acknowledged by the above named incorporators, in the office of the County Recorder of Madison County, Iowa, and thereupon the persons signing and accepting these articles, and their associates and successors shall become a body corporate and the Corporation shall continue to exist for a period of Fifty (50) years from date unless dissolved sooner by an affirmative vote in favor of its dissolution by two-thirds of its membership in good standing.

ARTICLE V Membership

Section 1. Residential Requirements.

The membership in this club shall be limited to citizens living inside the corporate limits of the Town of Macksburg, Madison County, Iowa.

Section 2. Qualifications for Membership.

Qualification for membership in this corporation shall be an active interest in the objects and purposes of this corporation.

Section 3. New members may be proposed by any member in good standing and accepted by two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting.

ARTICLE VI Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting.

The annual meet of the Corporation shall be held on the third Monday in January of each year.

Section 2. Regular Meetings.

The organization shall hold regular meetings either monthly or bi-monthly as may be determined by the members at its regular annual meeting.

Section 3. Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the Corporation may be called by the President or by the Secretary at the request of four members.

Section 4. Quorum.

The active members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business of the Corporation at any annual, regular or special meeting.

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ARTICLE VII
Officers

Section 1. The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

Section 2. The officers of the Corporation shall be elected by a majority vote of the active members present at the annual meeting of the Corporation.

Section 3. The officers of this Corporation shall have and may exercise such rights, powers and duties as may be prescribed in the by-laws of the Corporation or as may be conferred upon them by the Corporation, in the absence of any action by the Corporation, the officers shall have and may exercise such powers as are usually exercised by like officials in similar Corporations.

Section 4. The officers of the Corporation, during the period between the commencement of the Corporation and the time of holding the first annual meeting of the Corporation, which will be held January 15, 1940, are as follows:

President-- Eva Fisher
Vice-President--Martha Smith
Secretary--Gertrude Beamer
Treasurer--Bettie Barker

ARTICLE VIII
Liability for Corporate Debts

Private property of the members of the Corporation shall not be held liable for corporate debts and shall be exempt from all liability for corporate debts. The members of the Corporation shall not be personally liable for the debts of the Corporation. This Article shall not be eliminated, changed or amended, without an affirmative vote in favor thereof of all the members of the Corporation in good standing at the time.

ARTICLE IX
By-Laws

Section 1. This Corporation shall have the power to adopt and establish such by-laws as may be necessary for the proper management, regulation, and government of this Corporation. Such by-laws may be adopted by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present at the next regular meeting following the filing of these Articles of Incorporation.

Section Two. Such by-laws may be amended or changed by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting, providing, however, that written notice has been mailed to each active member in the organization at least ten days prior to the time of such meeting, which notice shall state the substance of the proposed amendment or change.

ARTICLE X

This Corporation shall not have a corporate seal.

ARTICLE XI

These Articles of Incorporation, EXCEPT ARTICLE VIII may be amended or repealed at any annual or regular meeting of the Corporation upon the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members present at such annual or regular meeting, providing that such amendment has been submitted in writing to the Secretary and notice thereof has been mailed to all members in good standing not less than ten days prior to the date of such meeting.

Dated this 29 day of August, A.D. 1939.

Mrs Flossie Smith
* Georgia Crow
Hazel Loomis
Luella Whitworth
Dorothy Crow
Jennie Thomas

Frances Schoonover
Sylvia Jessup
Mary Thompson
Ruth Holiday
Marie Chaplin

Pearl Bonham
Eva Fisher
Martha Smith
Gertrude Beamer
Bettie Barker

STATE OF IOWA, MADISON COUNTY }SS:

Be It Remembered, that on the 29 day of August, A.D. 1939, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for Madison County, Iowa, personally appeared Eva Fisher, Martha Smith, Gertrude Beamer and Bettie Barker, to me personally known to be the identical persons named in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that they executed the same as their

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voluntary act and deed.

NOTARIAL Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my Notarial Seal the day and
year **SH** above written.

W. M. Chaplin
Notary Public in and for Madison County, Iowa