# STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF STATE

I hereby certify that the annexed copy for BREAK FREE FOUNDATION, INC., File Number 221117002888 has been compared with the original document in the custody of the Secretary of State and that the same is true copy of said original.



WITNESS my hand and official seal of the Department of State, at the City of Albany, on March 03, 2023.

Brandon C. Hughan

Brendan C. Hughes Executive Deputy Secretary of State

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# CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF

Break Free Foundation, Inc.

(Corporation Name)

Under Section 402 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law

FIRST: The name of the corporation is:

Break Free Foundation, Inc.

SECOND: The corporation is a corporation as defined in subparagraph (5) of paragraph (a) of Section 102 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.

THIRD: (Select all that apply)

The purpose(s) for which the corporation is formed is:

any purpose for which corporations may be organized under the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law as a charitable corporation.

any purpose for which corporations may be organized under the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law as a non-charitable corporation.

any purpose for which corporations may be organized under the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law as a charitable corporation or as a non-charitable corporation. (*Note: Checking this box results in the corporation being categorized as a charitable corporation in paragraph FIFTH.*)

the following specific purpose(s):

- To raise funds for scholarships to aid those who cannot afford mental health services

- To raise funds for scholarships to aid those who cannot afford to attend a treatment facility for a substance use disorder (SUD)

- To advocate for those who suffer from mental health and/or SUDs (those who suffer from both would be referred to as having a co-occurring disorder)

- To educate those who are less fortunate about free and low cost resources for access to treatment, therapy, social services, and crisis resources

- To educate the public on the importance of mental health, harm reduction, prevention, and recovery from SUDs

- To aid in resources for those who suffer from mental health and/or SUDs

- To advocate for legislation that advances/supports mental health and wellness and/or substance use disorder prevention, harm reduction, awareness, and recovery

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FOURTH: (Check the appropriate statement)

The corporation is not formed to engage in any activity or for any purpose requiring consent or approval of any state official, department, board, agency or other body. No consent or approval is required.

The corporation is formed to engage in an activity or for a purpose requiring consent or approval of a state official, department, board, agency or other body. Such consent or approval is attached.

FIFTH: The corporation is a: Charitable corporation non-charitable corporation under Section 201 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.

SEVENTH: The names and addresses of the initial directors of the corporation are: (A minimum of three is required)

Name: Alexandra Nyman

Address: 97 Margaretta Ct Staten Island, NY 10314

Name: Erin Ranta

Address: 28-30 Jackson Avenue Queens, NY 11101

Name: Christina Mantz

Address: 97 Whitewood Ave Staten Island, 10310

EIGHTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the corporation upon whom process against it may be served.

The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process accepted on behalf of the corporation is: 97 Margaretta Court Staten Island, NY 10314

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NINTH: (Optional – Corporations seeking tax exempt status may include language required by the Internal Revenue Service in this paragraph. See Not-for-Profit Incorporation Instructions.)

The following language relates to the corporation's tax exempt status and is not a statement of purposes and powers. Consequently, this language does not expand or alter the corporation's purposes or powers set forth in paragraph THIRD.

Said 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.

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. 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.

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.

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### NAME, SIGNATURE & ADDRESS OF INCORPORATOR:

Alexandra Nyman

(Print or Type Name of Incorporator)

X Alexandra Nyman (Signature of Incorporator)

97 Margaretta Court

(Address of Incorporator)

Staten Island, NY 10314

(City, State, Zip Code)

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Break Free Foundation, Inc.

(Corporation Name)

Under Section 402 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law

Filer's Name and Mailing Address:

Alexandra Nyman

Name:

Company, if Applicable:

97 Margaretta Court

Mailing Address:

Staten Island, NY 10314

City, State and Zip Code:

#### NOTES:

§301 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law requires that the name contain "Incorporated" or "Inc." or one of the
other words or abbreviations indicative of corporate character unless the corporation qualifies for one of the
exceptions in §301.

2. This sample form is provided by the New York State Department of State for filing a certificate of incorporation.

- This form is designed to satisfy the minimum filing requirements pursuant to the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law. The Department of State will accept any other form which complies with the applicable statutory provisions.
- 4. The Department of State recommends that this legal document be prepared under the guidance of an attorney.
- 5. The Department of State does not provide legal, accounting or tax advice.
- 6. This certificate must be submitted with a \$75 filing fee made payable to the Department of State.

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