

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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Secretary of the Commonwealth

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## ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

(General Laws, Chapter 180)

Examiner

Name  
Approved

### ARTICLE I

The exact name of the corporation is:

PlymouthFirst, Inc.

### ARTICLE II

The purpose of the corporation is to engage in the following activities:

- a) Advocate for more efficient government in the town of Plymouth by encouraging voter interest and participation in town government,
- b) Educate and inform the citizens of Plymouth about important issues relating to the governance of Plymouth,
- c) Advocate for the preservation of the historical, cultural, recreational, and environmental resources of the town of Plymouth, and
- d) Any other activity described and allowed in Chapter 180 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The corporation shall not carry out any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt under Section 501(c)(4) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

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*Note: If the space provided under any article or item on this form is insufficient, additions shall be set forth on one side only of separate 8 1/2 x 11 sheets of paper with a left margin of at least 1 inch. Additions to more than one article may be made on a single sheet so long as each article requiring each addition is clearly indicated.*

### ARTICLE III

A corporation may have one or more classes of members. If it does, the designation of such classes, the manner of election or appointments, the duration of membership and the qualification and rights, including voting rights, of the members of each class, may be set forth in the by-laws of the corporation or may be set forth below:

The corporation may have one or more classes of members. The designation of such classes, the manner of appointment, qualifications, and rights are set forth in the bylaws of the corporation.

There shall be no voting members. There may be a general non-voting membership, which shall include any such persons as may apply to join the general membership of the corporation in accordance with the rules set by the Directors. Any natural person, corporation, partnership, or unincorporated association is qualified to serve as a member. These members shall have no voting powers in the corporation, but may attend such meetings and other functions of the corporation if the Directors so determine.

### ARTICLE IV

\*\*Other lawful provisions, if any, for the conduct and regulation of the business and affairs of the corporation, for its voluntary dissolution, or for limiting, defining, or regulating the powers of the corporation, or of its directors or members, or of any class of members, are as follows:

- a) The corporation's purpose shall be so interpreted as to be consistent with Section 501(c)(4) of the U. S. Internal Revenue Code (and successor provisions), no part of its net earnings, if any, shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.
- b) Any revenue surplus is to be distributed in the benevolent public interest or to enlarging the holdings of the corporation for the public good, or in any publicly benevolent manner deemed fit by the corporation. Should the corporation dissolve, title to the assets of the corporation shall be distributed, as the Board of Directors may decide, exclusively to such charitable organizations which then qualify under the provisions of Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- c) The corporation may lease, or otherwise acquire, own, use, and/or deal with real or personal property, or any interest therein.
- d) The corporation may solicit and receive contributions and grants from any and all sources and may receive, utilize, and/or hold funds received by gift or bequest.
- e) The corporation may act as a partner, make contracts, and borrow money with, from, or to any person, individual, corporate, or governmental entity.
- f) The corporation may exercise any or all powers necessary or convenient to effect any or all of the purposes for which the corporation is formed.

### ARTICLE V

The by-laws of the corporation have been duly adopted and the initial directors, president, treasurer and clerk or other presiding, financial or recording officers, whose names are set out on the following page, have been duly elected.

*\*\*If there are no provisions, state "None".*

*Note: The preceding four (4) articles are considered to be permanent and may only be changed by filing appropriate Articles of Amendment.*

**ARTICLE VI**

The effective date of organization of the corporation shall be the date approved and filed by the Secretary of the Commonwealth. If a *later* effective date is desired, specify such date which shall not be more than *thirty days* after the date of filing.

**ARTICLE VII**

**The information contained in Article VII is not a permanent part of the Articles of Organization.**

a. The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the principal office of the corporation *in Massachusetts* is:

15 Dillingham Way, Plymouth, MA 02360

b. The name, residential address and post office address of each director and officer of the corporation is as follows:

	NAME	RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS	POST OFFICE ADDRESS
President:	Richard F. Caproni	15 Dillingham Way	Plymouth, MA 02360
Treasurer:	Clark T. Corson	8 Belltree	Plymouth, MA 02360
Clerk:	Paul J. Cunningham	10 Southcliff Drive	Plymouth, MA 02360
Directors: (or officers having the powers of <i>directors</i> )	Belinda Brewster (VP)	39 Forge Drive	Plymouth, MA 02360

c. The fiscal year of the corporation shall end on the last day of the month of: **December**

d. The name and business address of the resident agent, if any, of the corporation is:

**Richard F. Caproni, 15 Dillingham Way, Plymouth, MA 02360**

I/We, the below signed incorporator(s), do hereby certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that I/we have not been convicted of any crimes relating to alcohol or gaming within the past ten years. I/We do hereby further certify that to the best of my/our knowledge the above-named officers have not been similarly convicted. If so convicted, explain.

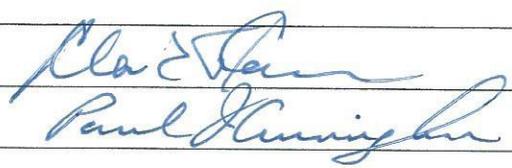
IN WITNESS WHEREOF AND UNDER THE PAINS AND PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I/we, whose signature(s) appear below as incorporator(s) and whose name(s) and business or residential address(es) *are clearly typed or printed* beneath each signature, do hereby associate with the intention of forming this corporation under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 180 and do hereby sign these Articles of Organization as incorporator(s) this 26 day of October, 2017.

Richard F. Caproni

Clark T. Corson

Paul J. Cunningham

Belinda Brewster



*Note: If an existing corporation is acting as incorporator, type in the exact name of the corporation, the state or other jurisdiction where it was incorporated, the name of the person signing on behalf of said corporation and the title he/she holds or other authority by which such action is taken.*

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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I hereby certify that, upon examination of these Articles of Organization, duly submitted to me, it appears that the provisions of the General Laws relative to the organization of corporations have been complied with, and I hereby approve said articles; and the filing fee in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ having been paid, said articles are deemed to have been filed with me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_ .

*Effective date:* \_\_\_\_\_

**WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN**

*Secretary of the Commonwealth*

**TO BE FILLED IN BY CORPORATION**

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