

# **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF Hill Country Mini Milkers**

We the undersigned natural persons above the age of twenty-one (21) years, all of whom are citizens and residents of the State of Texas, acting as Incorporators or a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

## **ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation is HILL COUNTRY MINI MILKERS

## **ARTICLE II**

- A. The corporation is a NON-PROFIT CORPORATION.
- B. The corporation shall be organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes as described under IRS publication 557, section 501(c)3. No part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any officer, director, or private individual, nor shall it ever declare or make to any of such persons any dividend or other distribution.

## **ARTICLE III**

The period of the duration of the corporation is PERPETUAL.

## **ARTICLE IV**

The purpose for which this corporation is formed is exclusively for charitable purposes and education of the citizens, defined as follows:

- A. Develop and promote Miniature Dairy Goats of Texas.
- B. Cooperate with other organizations with similar interest in Miniature Dairy Goats.
- C. Encourage the breeding and raising of high-quality Miniature Dairy Goats in Texas.
- D. Educate the public as to the value of the Miniature Dairy Goat and dairy goat products.
- E. Educate club members and the public in all phases of goat husbandry.
- F. Formulate publicity and educational programs and other activities in the interest of helping Miniature Dairy Goats.

- G. Promote and encourage the exhibition of all Miniature Dairy Goats in Texas.
- H. Develop youth interest in and knowledge of Miniature Dairy Goats by partnering with school organizations such as FFA and 4-H programs.
- E. Encourage any manner of lawful business to raise money for the above purposes.
- G. Receive donations, bequests, and devises of property, both real and personal.

## **ARTICLE V**

The corporation shall have no capital stock or shares.

## **ARTICLE VI**

- A. The authorized members and qualifications of the members, the different classes of membership, if any, and other rights and privileges of each class of members and the liability of each and all classes to dues and the methods of collection thereof, shall be provided in the By-Laws of this corporation duly adopted.
- B. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, whose number, term and qualifications, except as otherwise noted may be provided for in these articles or by Texas law, shall be prescribed in the By-Laws, but in no event shall the number of Directors be less than three (3).

## **ARTICLE VII**

- A. The corporation shall not carry on political propaganda or otherwise try to influence legislation.
- B. The corporation shall not participate or intervene to any extent in any political campaign for or against any candidate for public office.
- C. The corporation shall not carry on any activity not permitted a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States (or the corresponding provisions of any such subsequent law).

## **ARTICLE VIII**

Upon dissolution or liquidation, whether voluntary or involuntary, the net assets of the corporation shall be distributed to one or more educational, or charitable organizations exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States (or the corresponding provisions of any such future law).

## **ARTICLE IX**

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 12706 Paul's Valley Rd., Austin, TX, 78737, and the name of the initial registered agent at such address is ***Karen Orth***.

## **ARTICLE X**

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the corporation is three (3).