

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF LOCAL CONTEXTS, INC.**

SEP 6 AM8:

The undersigned natural persons, acting as incorporator of a corporation under the Navajo Nation Corporation Code, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for the corporation.

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of the corporation is Local Contexts, Inc.

**ARTICLE II
DURATION**

The duration of the existence of the corporation is perpetual.

**ARTICLE III
PURPOSES**

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, the purposes of the corporation shall be exclusively charitable, scientific, literary, and educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "IRC") and shall include the creation of legitimately inclusive and culturally appropriate data descriptions and management plans for new and existing cultural heritage, biological and genomic resources collections, through provision of a digital information-sharing and curation platform that enables coordination and information sharing between Indigenous Communities and Indigenous collections using the Traditional Knowledge and Biocultural Labels and Notices; fostering Community participation through training, fellowship, and helpdesk services; and documentation and sharing of stories of transformation through adoption and implementation of Local Contexts Labels; and by engaging in other related activities to enhance and increase Indigenous data sovereignty in the public interest. The corporation may engage in any and all lawful activities incidental to the foregoing purposes, except as specifically restricted herein.

**ARTICLE IV
AFFAIRS IN NAVAJO NATION**

The corporation intends to work in the Navajo Nation on community engagement and training about aspects of its offering.

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ARTICLE VIII MEMBERSHIP

The corporation shall be a membership organization. There shall be a class of Charter Members consisting of the founders of the corporation: Maui Hudson, Jane Anderson, Kim Christen, and James Francis. Any other classes of membership, and the conditions of membership in the corporation, shall be stated in the Bylaws of the corporation.

ARTICLE IX NONPROFIT NATURE

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to any Councilor or officer of the corporation, or any other private person, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to or for the corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III.

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 IRC, 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 IRC, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

In event of the dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, all the remaining assets of the property of the corporation shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities and obligation of the corporation and for necessary expenses thereof, be distributed for one or more exempt purposes as defined by Section 501(c)(3) of the IRC as may be designated from time to time by resolution of the Councilors, such resolution to be kept within the minutes of the corporation. In no event shall any of such assets or property be distributed to any Councilor or officer, or any other private individual.

To the fullest extent permitted by the laws of the Navajo Nation, as now in effect or as may hereafter be amended, no Councilor of the corporation shall be personally liable to the corporation for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duty as a Councilor; provided, however, such relief from liability shall not apply in any instance where such relief is inconsistent with any provision of the IRC applicable to corporations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the IRC.

**ARTICLE X
AMENDMENT**

Amendment of these Articles of Incorporation shall require approval by both the Governing Council and a majority of the Members present at any meeting at which a quorum is present (in person or by proxy) or an equivalent number of Members acting by written consent.

**ARTICLE XI
COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

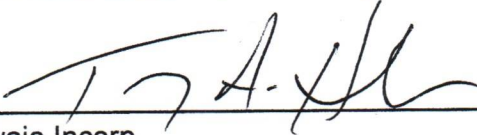
The corporation will agree to abide by all criminal, civil, and regulatory laws of the Navajo Nation.



(Incorporator)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE REGISTERED AGENT

I, having been designated to act as Registered Agent, hereby consent to act in that capacity until removed or until a resignation is submitted in accordance with the Navajo Nation Corporation Code.

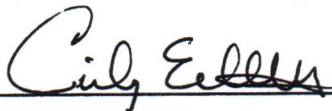


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STATE OF New Mexico)

COUNTY OF Sandoval)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by Tony A. Hale, Navajo Incorp, Registered Agent for Local Contexts, Inc., this 12th day of August, 2022.



(Notary Public)

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NOTARY PUBLIC
Cindy Estrada
Commission No. 1092676
December 11, 2024

My Commission Expires: 12-11-2024