

# CERTIFICATE OF FILING OF

Literacy & Innovation in Financial Technology Alliance File Number: 806075052

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of Texas, hereby certifies that a Certificate of Formation for the above named Domestic Nonprofit Corporation has been received in this office and has been found to conform to the applicable provisions of law.

ACCORDINGLY, the undersigned, as Secretary of State, and by virtue of the authority vested in the secretary by law, hereby issues this certificate evidencing filing effective on the date shown below.

The issuance of this certificate does not authorize the use of a name in this state in violation of the rights of another under the federal Trademark Act of 1946, the Texas trademark law, the Assumed Business or Professional Name Act, or the common law.

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# Certificate of Formation Nonprofit Corporation

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Article 1 - Corporate Name The filing entity formed is a nonprofit corporation. The name of the entity is: Literacy & Innovation in Financial Technology Alliance Article 2 - Registered Agent and Registered Office ▼A. The initial registered agent is an organization (cannot be corporation named above) by the name of: Northwest Registered Agent, LLC. OR B. The initial registered agent is an individual resident of the state whose name is set forth below: C. The business address of the registered agent and the registered office address is: Street Address: 5900 Balcones Drive STE 100 Austin TX 78731 **Consent of Registered Agent** A. A copy of the consent of registered agent is attached. OR ☑B. The consent of the registered agent is maintained by the entity. Article 3 - Management A. Management of the affairs of the corporation is to be vested solely in the members of the corporation. OR **B.** Management of the affairs of the corporation is to be vested in its board of directors. The number of directors, which must be a minimum of three, that constitutes the initial board of directors and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting or until their successors are elected and qualified are set forth below. Director 1: Stephen Cernota Title: Director Address: 5900 Balcones Drive STE 100 Austin TX, USA 78731 Director 2: Victor Medcalf Title: Director Address: 5900 Balcones Drive STE 100 Austin TX, USA 78731 Director 3: Sarah Title: Director Salazar Address: 5900 Balcones Drive STE 100 Austin TX, USA 78731 **Article 4 - Organization Structure** A. The corporation will have members. or B. The corporation will not have members. Article 5 - Purpose The corporation is organized for the following purpose or purposes: The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes

within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal

## Revenue law).

Specifically, the purposes of this corporation are to advance public understanding and promote literacy in the fields of financial technology and digital innovation. This will be achieved by developing and distributing accessible educational materials, conducting workshops and informational sessions, fostering community dialogue, and supporting initiatives that enhance knowledge and responsible engagement with new financial and digital systems.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, 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 its purposes. 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 distributing 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 (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes.

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 these Articles. 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.

# **Supplemental Provisions / Information**

Company Principal Address: 5900 Balcones Drive **STE 100** Austin TRAVIS COUNTY TX

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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.

[The attached addendum, if any, is incorporated herein by reference.]

#### Effectiveness of Filing

✓A. This document becomes effective when the document is filed by the secretary of state.

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B. This document becomes effective at a later date, which is not more than ninety (90) days from the date of its signing. The delayed effective date is:

#### **Initial Mailing Address**

Address to be used by the Comptroller of Public Accounts for purposes of sending tax information.

The initial mailing address of the filing entity is:

5900 Balcones Drive

**STE 100** 

Austin, TX 78731

USA

#### Organizer

The name and address of the organizer are set forth below.

Northwest Registered Agent, LLC. 5900 Balcones Drive STE 100 Austin, TX 78731

#### **Execution**

The undersigned affirms that the person designated as registered agent has consented to the appointment. The undersigned signs this document subject to the penalties imposed by law for the submission of a materially false or fraudulent instrument and certifies under penalty of perjury that the undersigned is authorized under the provisions of law governing the entity to execute the filing instrument.

Authorized Representative - Nat Smith on behalf of Northwest Registered Agent, LLC. Signature of organizer.

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