

President's note:

Personal street addresses have been removed from this copy of the Articles of Incorporation. I have made my contact information widely available to the public and have been inundated with requests for trails information. I suggest, for the sake of privacy, that new members not post their street addresses on the Internet.

Certificate of Incorporation Of Long Island Trail Lovers Coalition, Inc.

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

The undersigned natural persons, of the age of eighteen years or over, desiring to form a corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, hereby state:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is Long Island Trail Lovers Coalition, Inc.

SECOND: The corporation is a corporation as defined in subparagraph (a)(5) of Section 102 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law. The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit or financial gain.

THIRD: The corporation is a **Type B** not-for-profit corporation under section 201 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.

FOURTH: The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are:

The Long Island Trail Lovers Coalition, Inc. is a regional community based non-profit organization whose mission is to help preserve, protect and enhance our nature and recreation trails and the habitats surrounding them.

The Long Island Trail Lovers Coalition, Inc. will:

Create, maintain, rehabilitate, enhance, and protect Long Island trails in order to provide easily accessible opportunities for the public to engage their bodies, and expand their minds and spirits in our natural world;

Encourage public use of trails for a healthy lifestyle and the appreciation of nature;

Make available to the public, information on how to use trails safely, comfortably, and with gentle respect;

Lead guided walks on trails with the permission of the land managers;

Restore damaged trails and the habitats surrounding them, while encouraging community involvement in trail stewardship;

Advocate for non-partisan political support for our mission and for the purchase and preservation of the open space that will best serve the public good;

Accept donations including land or easements upon land, consistent with its mission of providing access for the public;

Participate in scientific research for the betterment of the trails experience;
Provide media for the foregoing, and perform any other acts incidental to or connected with or in advancement thereof, both as a separate organization and in cooperation with other tax-exempt national, state, and local organizations, other trail groups, environmental groups, and individuals, but not for the pecuniary profit or financial gain of its members, directors, officers, or any other individual, except as permitted under Article 5 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.

FIFTH: The office of the corporation shall be located in the County of Suffolk, State of New York.

SIXTH: The manner in which Directors are to be elected shall be provided in the Bylaws of the corporation. At the organizational meeting, the incorporators will elect the officers of the corporation. The names and post office addresses of incorporators are:

NAME	ADDRESS
Kenneth A. Kindler	Street, Sayville, New York 11782
Diane Eidelman	Street, Middle Island, New York 11953
Patricia Firestone	Street, Coram, New York 11727

SEVENTH: The Secretary of State of the State of New York is hereby designated the agent of the corporation upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the corporation served upon him as agent of the corporation is:

Kenneth A. Kindler
385 Greene Avenue, Sayville, N.Y. 11782-3030.

EIGHTH: Kenneth A. Kindler is the registered agent for Long Island Trail Lovers Coalition, Inc. Said agent is the agent of the corporation upon whom process against the corporation may be served. Service shall be served upon Kenneth A. Kindler at 385 Greene Avenue, Sayville, N.Y. 11782-3030.

NINTH: This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for the purposes enumerated above, consistent with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, and shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under that section of the Code. The corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit or financial gain, and no part of its net earnings, income or assets shall inure to the benefit of any director officer, trustee, or member of the Corporation or individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation in furtherance of one or more 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 (except to the extent authorized by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in effect or hereafter amended). The corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office

TENTH: This corporation is organized and is to be operated exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes, including but not limited to receiving contributions and paying them over to an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as now in effect or hereafter amended. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the corporation to establish or maintain in the State of New York any institution or agency, or have a purpose mentioned in Section 404(b) through (v) of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law. Nor shall the corporation carry on any other activity not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in effect or hereafter amended, or a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in effect or hereafter amended.

ELEVENTH: In the event of dissolution, the assets and property of the corporation remaining after expenses and liabilities have been paid shall be distributed, as determined by the Board of Directors and approved by order of a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, to such organizations as qualify under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or to the federal government, or state or local government for a public purpose. Any assets not so distributed shall be distributed for such purposes as shall be approved by order of such New York State court as shall have jurisdiction thereunto. No director, officer, trustee, or member of the corporation shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets upon dissolution.

TWELFTH: In the event that in any year the corporation shall be a "private foundation", as that term is defined in Section 509 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in effect or hereafter amended, the corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to subject it to tax under Section 4942 of said Code.

The corporation shall not:

Engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Code; Retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Code; Make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under Section 4944 of the Code; or Make any taxable expenditure as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Code.

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned incorporators, each being at least eighteen years of age, have made, subscribed and caused to be acknowledged this certificate this _____ day of _____, 2007.

Kenneth A. Kindler
Street
Sayville, New York 11782-3030
Signature of Incorporator

Diane Eidelman
Street
Middle Island, New York 11953
Signature of Incorporator

Patricia Firestone
Street
Coram, New York 11727
Signature of Incorporator

State of New York

ss:

County of Suffolk

On this ____ day of _____, 2007, before me personally came
_____, _____, _____, &
_____ to be known and known to me to be the persons described in and
who executed the foregoing certificate of incorporation and they duly acknowledged to
me that they severally and independently executed the same.

Notary Public Signature
Notary's stamp

Date Certificate of Incorporation filed by Secretary of State
(To be completed by the State)