TO: GEORGE H. RYAN, Secretary of State

Pursuant to the provisions of "The General Not For Profit Corporation Act of 1986," the undersigned incorporator(s) hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

Article 1. The name of the corporation is: International Oak Society

Article 2. The name and address of the initial registered agent and registered office are:

Registered Agent: Guy Sternberg
Registered Office: Route 1, Box 272, Petersburg, IL 62675

Article 3. The first Board of Directors shall be five in number, their names and residential addresses being as follows:

Director's Names
Guy Sternberg, Route 1, Box 272, Petersburg, IL 62675
Allen Coombes, 182 Stockbridge Rd., Winchester, Hampshire, UK
M. Nigel Wright, 127 N. 3rd St., Apt. #1, Easton, PA 18042
Peter van der Linden, 34 Woodridge Rd., Montgomery, IL 60538
Amy Larson, 5216 Proctor Ave., Oakland, CA 94618

Article 4. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are: The corporation is being organized for educational purposes as authorized by section 103.05(4) of the Illinois General Not for Profit Corporation Act of 1986. The specific purposes for which this corporation is being organized are to further the study, sustainable management, preservation, appreciation, and dissemination of knowledge to the public about oak trees (genus Quercus) and their ecosystems. Anything in these articles of incorporation notwithstanding, the purpose or purposes for which this corporation is formed are limited to those that will qualify it as an exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), including, for such purposes, the making of distribution to organizations that qualify as tax-exempt organizations under such code.

Is this corporation a Condominium Association as established under the Condominium Property Act? ☐ Yes ☑ No (Check one)

Is this corporation a Cooperative Housing Corporation as defined in Section 216 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954? ☐ Yes ☑ No (Check one)

Is this a Homeowner's Association which administers a common-interest community as defined in subsection (c) of Section 9-102 of the code of Civil Procedure? ☐ Yes ☑ No

Article 5. Other provisions (please use separate page): See pages 1A and 1B attached hereto
The undersigned incorporator(s) hereby declare(s), under penalties of perjury, that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.
Dated ____________ 19____

### SIGNATURES AND NAMES

1. Signature  
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   Name (please print)
2. Signature  
   ____________  
   Name (please print)
3. Signature  
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   Name (please print)
4. Signature
5. Signature

### POST OFFICE ADDRESS

1. Route 1, Box 272  
   Street  
   Petersburg, IL 62675  
   City/Town  
   State  
   Zip
2. 127 N. 3rd St., Apt. #1  
   Street  
   Easton, PA 18042  
   City/Town  
   State  
   Zip
3. 34 Woodridge Rd.  
   Street  
   Montgomery, IL 60538  
   City/Town  
   State  
   Zip
4.  
   Street
5.  
   City/Town  
   State  
   Zip

(Signatures must be in **black ink** on original document. Carbon copy, xerox or rubber stamp signatures may only be used on the true copy.)

- If a corporation acts as incorporator, the name of the corporation and the state of incorporation shall be shown and the execution shall be by its President or Vice-President and verified by him, and attested by its Secretary or an Assistant Secretary.
- The registered agent cannot be the corporation itself.
- The registered agent may be an individual, resident in this State, or a domestic or foreign corporation, authorized to act as a registered agent.
- The registered office may be, but need not be, the same as its principal office.
- A corporation which is to function as a club, as defined in Section 1-3.24 of the "Liquor Control Act" of 1934, must insert in its purpose clause a statement that it will comply with the State and local laws and ordinances relating to alcoholic liquors.

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Article 5. Other Provisions

5A. Duration. The corporation shall have perpetual duration.

5B. Prohibited Transactions. This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation. This corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

5C. Membership. The corporation shall have a membership distinct from the board of directors. The authorized number and qualifications of the members of the corporation, the manner of their admission, the different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting, and other rights and privileges of members, and their liability for dues and assessments and the method of collection thereof, shall be set forth in the bylaws.

5D. Board of Directors. The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its property controlled, and its affairs conducted by a board of directors. The initial number of directors of the corporation shall be five, provided, however, that such number may be changed by a bylaw duly adopted pursuant to the bylaws of this corporation. The directors named herein as the first board of directors shall hold office until the first meeting of members, at which time an election of directors shall be held.

5E. Bylaws. Subject to the limitations contained in the bylaws and any limitations set forth in the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of Illinois described above, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members of the corporation, the bylaws of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new bylaws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the board of directors or by following the procedure set forth therefor in the bylaws.

5F. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation. Amendments to these articles of incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the board of directors and presented to a quorum of members for their vote. Amendments may be adopted by a vote of two-thirds of a quorum of members of the corporation.
5G. Property of Corporation. The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual. No part of the net earnings, properties or assets of this corporation, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of any private person or individual or any member or director of this corporation. On liquidation or dissolution all properties and assets of this corporation remaining after paying or providing for all debts and obligations shall be distributed and paid over to such fund, foundation or corporation organized and operated for charitable or religious purposes as the board of directors shall determine, and as shall at the time qualify as a tax-exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), or as the same may be amended.