

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
ARIZONA BACKYARD BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION**

**ARTICLE 1. Name.** The name of the Corporation is Arizona Backyard Beekeepers Association.

**ARTICLE 2. Purpose.** The purposes for which this Corporation is organized are exclusively charitable, including but not limited to the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code (the "Code"). In furtherance of the foregoing purposes, the Corporation shall have the general powers enumerated in A.R.S. § 10-3302, together with the power to solicit grants and contributions of personal property for any corporate purposes. The Corporation shall have the right to exercise such other powers as now are or hereafter may be conferred by law upon a corporation organized for the purposes set forth herein, or necessary or incidental to the powers so conferred.

**ARTICLE 3. Character of Affairs.** This Corporation is organized exclusively to teach and encourage better beekeeping methods among backyard beekeepers in Arizona for **increased honeybee health** and to raise awareness of the advantages and benefits of beekeeping through community outreach programs and multi-media educational tools.

**Our focus is on the following:**

1. **Education:** for beekeepers and the public
2. **Charity:** promoting organizations relating to honey bee **health**, the value and the importance of honey **bees as pollinators** and the beekeeping industry.
3. **Promote Beekeeping:** To prepare, submit and sponsor beekeeping development projects to promote beekeeping among the low income people, minorities, Indian communities, women, refugees and disabled people to increase their income.

ABBA will organize, statewide, national and/or international conferences, symposiums, workshops and trade conventions to bring the latest methods, research findings and beekeeping technologies to the Arizona beekeepers.

**ARTICLE 4. Restrictions.** No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, 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 the purposes set forth in Article 2. 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 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 by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax and/or to which contributions are deductible under § 501(c)(3) of the Code.

**ARTICLE 5. Dissolution.** Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making the provision for payment of all of the liability of the Corporation, dispose of all its assets exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such a manner or to such organization organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under § 501(3)(3) of the Code as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Superior Court of the county in which the principal office of 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 purpose.

**ARTICLE 6. Indemnification.** The personal liability of a director to the Corporation for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director is eliminated, except to the extent expressly prohibited by law. The Corporation shall indemnify any person who serves as an officer or director of the Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by A.R.S. §§ 10-3851 *et seq.* The power of indemnification under the Arizona Revised Statutes shall not be denied or limited by the bylaws. The Board of Directors of the Corporation may indemnify to the same extent any person who serves as an agent or employee of the Corporation by a resolution specifically adopted for that purpose.

**ARTICLE 7. Board of Directors.** The initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of three (3) Directors. The names and addresses of such persons who are to serve as the Directors until the first annual meeting or until their successors are elected and qualified are:

Cricket Aldridge, 15625 N 59th St, Scottsdale AZ 85254  
Joc Rawls, 5533 N Central Ave, Phoenix AZ 85012  
Osman Kaftanoglu, 1314 E. Whalers Way Tempe, AZ. 85283

**ARTICLE 8. Known Place of Business.** The address of the initial known place of business of the Corporation is Cricket Aldridge, 15625 N 59th St, Scottsdale AZ 85254

**ARTICLE 9. Statutory Agent.** The name and address of the initial statutory agent are: Cricket Aldridge, 15625 N 59th St, Scottsdale AZ 85254

**ARTICLE 10. Incorporator.** The name and address of the incorporator are:  
Cricket Aldridge, 15625 N 59th St, Scottsdale AZ 85254.

**ARTICLE 11. Discrimination.** This Corporation will not practice or permit discrimination on the basis of sex, age, race, national origin, religion or physical handicap or disability.

**ARTICLE 12. Member.** The Corporation will have members.

DATED 28 day of November, 2018.

INCORPORATOR

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Cricket Aldridge

**CONSENT**

I, Cricket Aldridge, having been designated to act as Statutory Agent, hereby consent to act in that capacity until removal or resignation is submitted in accordance with the Arizona Revised Statuts.

DATED 28 day of November, 2018.

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Cricket Aldridge