

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

## I

The name of the corporation is International Biogeography Society Inc.

## II

This corporation is a Public Benefit Corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for public and charitable purposes.

## III

The specific purpose of this corporation is to (1) to promote biogeographical education and science by improving communication and collaboration among biogeographers, (2) to raise the public's level of awareness of the importance of biogeographical science and education and ensure the continuing supply of new biogeographers through educational and outreach activities, (3) to increase support for the conduct of biogeographical education and science through educational efforts of the membership in both the private and public sectors, and (4) to ensure the appropriate consideration of biogeographical science in education and environmental decision-making by enhancing communication between the biogeographical community and educators and policy-makers.

## IV

The name and address in the State of California of the corporation's initial agent for service of process is Glen M. MacDonald Ph.D., 2133 Basswood Ct., Westlake Village, California, 91361.

## V

This corporation of organized and operated exclusively for scientific and educational public and charitable purposes within the meaning of IRC Section 501 ( c ) ( 3 ).

## VI

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to public and charitable scientific 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 person.

## VII

Upon the dissolution or winding down of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision of payment of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for scientific and educational purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under IRC Section 501 ( c ) ( 3 ).

### **VIII**

No substantial part of the activities of this organization shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on the behalf of any candidate for public office.

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Glen M. MacDonald, incorporator