

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
THE HAMMOCKS BEACH CORPORATION

This is to certify that we the undersigned, do hereby unite ourselves together into a corporation under and by virtue of the laws of North Carolina, as contained in Chapter 55 of the General Statutes entitled "Corporations" and the several amendments thereto, and to that end do hereby set forth:

1. The name of the corporation is The Hammocks Beach Corporation.
2. The location of the principal office of the corporation in this State is at Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina.
3. The objects for which this corporation is formed are as follows:
  - (a) To provide, maintain and administer the properties or interests therein which may be acquired by this corporation in the property known as the "Hammocks" in Onslow County, North Carolina, and its assembly, vacation and recreation facilities primarily for the teachers in public and private elementary, secondary, and collegiate institutions for Negroes in North Carolina who may wish to use the said facilities as individuals or groups subject to regulations set by the Board of Directors; and for such other groups as are hereinafter set forth.
  - (b) To make available, subject to the regulations of the Board of Directors, the above named facilities for meetings of groups as follows: The North Carolina Teachers Association and any of its sub-divisions (district associations, committees, departments, sections, city and county units); Educational or church groups sponsored by one or more of the colleges for Negroes in North Carolina; Youth groups as follows: New Farmers of America, 4-H Clubs, Boy and Girl Scouts, YMCA and YWCA Clubs; State Congress of Negro Parents and Teachers, State Medical Association, State Inter-denominational Alliance, State Nurses' Association, State Bar Association; Staff personnel of the United States Agricultural Extension Service (Farm and Home Agents); And such other organizations of equivalent humanitarian purpose to those named above whose applications or request may be approved by a quorum of the Board of Directors of The Hammocks Beach Corporation within the limits of the purpose of the Project.

(c) The objects and purposes of the Corporation shall be subject to the donor's wishes as stated herewith:

#### POLICY

The Hammocks Beach Project was never and is not now intended to become a playground for the general public. The whole idea was inspired by the devoted service and benevolent spirit of Gertrude Hurst, a former rural teacher, who might have had the control of the property for herself and her family, but, instead, chose to suggest that it be used to provide vacation and assembly facilities for the many classroom teachers of North Carolina whose limited income would not finance vacations at costly resorts.

The project is primarily for Negro teachers, and its availability for their use at all times is to be safeguarded with utmost care. This limitation is not to be interpreted as undue discrimination against any other group, but simply as reasonable adherence to the major purpose of the project - a vacation and assembly facility for the Negro teachers of North Carolina.

The availability of the facilities for meetings of organized groups of comparable status as approved by the Board of Trustees is to be regulated always in the light of the primary purpose of the Project.

4. And in order to properly prosecute the objects and purposes herein set forth; the corporation shall be controlled by a Board of Directors which shall consist of twenty-four persons, to be selected as follows:

The Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State of North Carolina;

The Director of The Division of Negro Education of the State Department of Public Instruction of the State of North Carolina.

The Presidents of the eleven Negro Colleges in North Carolina which grant degrees and are accredited by the State Department of Public Instruction of North Carolina at the time of this incorporation, to-wit: Agriculture and Technical College, Greensboro, North Carolina; Barber-Scotia College, Concord, North Carolina; Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina; Fayetteville State Teachers College, Fayetteville, North Carolina, Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, North Carolina; Livingstone College, Salisbury, North Carolina; Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina;

Shaw University, Raleigh, North Carolina; Elizabeth City State Teachers College, Elizabeth City, North Carolina; Winston-Salem Teachers College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; North Carolina College, Durham, North Carolina;

The President of the North Carolina Teachers Association;

The Secretary of the North Carolina Teachers Association;

The Presidents of the four districts of the North Carolina Teachers Association;

The State Supervisor of Negro elementary schools in the State of North Carolina;

Two Negro women who are class room teachers in public schools located in the State of North Carolina;

Two other Negro citizens having residence in the State of North Carolina.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Director of the Division of Negro Education, the Supervisor of Negro Elementary Schools, the Presidents of the Negro Colleges in North Carolina, the President and the Secretary of the North Carolina Teachers Association, and the President of each of the four divisions of the North Carolina Teachers Association referred to herein before shall hold office as members of the Board of Directors of The Hammocks Beach Corporation only so long as they occupy said positions and upon death, resignation or other circumstances causing them to vacate their office, their places shall be filled immediately by the persons succeeding them.

The selection and term of office of the two women who are class room teachers and the other two Negro citizens of North Carolina shall be made and fixed by the Board of Directors which shall also have the power to elect their successors in office.

(a) The Corporation shall have full power and authority to purchase, lease and otherwise acquire, hold, mortgage, convey and otherwise dispose of all kinds of property, both real and personal, both in this State and all other States, territories and dependencies of the United States, except that it is agreed between Dr. William Sharpe and the incorporators

herein that the properties known as the "Hammocks" or interest therein, which may be conveyed to the Directors of the Corporation by Dr. William Sharpe shall not be used for any purpose except those specified herein in the conveyance therein by said Dr. William Sharpe to this corporation.

(b) The Corporation shall further have full power and authority to construct, equip and maintain buildings, or to permit approved organizations and/or institutions to construct, equip and maintain buildings, to install, maintain and operate all kinds of mechanical appliances, to operate the same by steam, water, electricity, and generally to perform all acts which may be deemed necessary or expedient for the proper and successful prosecution of the objects and purposes for which the Corporation is created.

5. The Corporation shall have no capital stock, and is a non-profit corporation.

6. Membership in The Hammocks Beach Corporation shall be open to all organized groups of persons who meet the requirements which may be imposed for use of the premises of said Corporation by its Board of Directors.

7. The names and post office addresses of the incorporators are as follows: Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, Raleigh, North Carolina; Dr. N. C. Newbold, Raleigh, North Carolina; Ferdinand D. Bluford, President, Agriculture and Technical College, Greensboro, North Carolina; L. S. Cozart, President, Barber-Scotia College, Concord, North Carolina; Dr. David D. Jones, President, Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina; Dr. J. W. Seabrook, President, Fayetteville State Teachers College, Fayetteville, North Carolina; H. Iiston, President, Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, North Carolina; W. J. Trent, President, Livingstone College, Salisbury, North Carolina; Alphonso Elder, President, North Carolina College, Durham, North Carolina; Dr. H. L. Trigg, St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina; S. D. Williams, President, Elizabeth City Teachers College, Elizabeth City, N. C.; F. L. Atkins, President, Winston-Salem Teachers Col-



Robert P. Daniel (SEAL)  
Robert P. Daniel

S. D. Williams (SEAL)  
S. D. Williams

F. L. Atkins (SEAL)  
F. L. Atkins

Hugh V. Brown (SEAL)  
Hugh V. Brown

W. L. Greene (SEAL)  
W. L. Greene

Mrs. Anne P. Toliver (SEAL)  
Mrs. Anne P. Toliver

T. A. Parker (SEAL)  
T. A. Parker

W. R. Collins (SEAL)  
W. R. Collins

Mrs. Ethel W. Greene (SEAL)  
Mrs. Ethel W. Greene

Mrs. Belle Diggs McCorkle  
Mrs. Belle Diggs McCorkle

W. A. Foster (SEAL)  
W. A. Foster

Max T. King (SEAL)  
Max T. King

Minnie Ruth Lawrence (SEAL)  
Minnie Ruth Lawrence

J. H. Wheeler (SEAL)  
J. H. Wheeler

NORTH CAROLINA  
WAKE COUNTY

I, Chas. Erwin, a Notary Public in and for the above named State and County, do hereby certify that this day personally appeared before me ~~William Stark~~ Clyde A. Erwin, N. C. Newbold, Ferdinand D. Bluford, L. S. Cozart, David D. Jones, J. W. Seabrook, H. Liston, W. J. Trent, Alphonso Elder, H. L. Trigg, Robert P. Daniel, S. D. Williams, F. L. Atkins, Hugh V. Brown, W. L. Greene, Mrs. Anne P. Toliver, T. A. Parker, W. R. Collins, Mrs. Ethel W. Greene, Mrs. Belle Diggs McCorkle, W. A. Foster, Max T. King, and J. H. Wheeler who acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument for the purpose therein expressed.

Witness my hand and Notarial Seal, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September,  
1948.

My commission expires:

Nov. 30, 1948

Charles J. Trager  
Notary Public

**FILED**  
OCT 2 1948  
**THAD EURE**  
SECRETARY OF STATE

Articles of Amendment to the Charter

of

The Hammocks Beach Corporation

The undersigned corporation, for the purpose of amending the Articles of Incorporation, as amended, and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 55A-34 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, do hereby execute the following Articles of Amendment:

1. The name of the corporation is The Hammocks Beach Corporation.
2. That paragraph four of the Charter shall be amended to read as follows:

And in order to properly prosecute the objects and purposes herein set forth, the corporation shall be controlled by a Board of Directors which shall consist of thirty-one (31) persons, to be selected as follows:

The President of the North Carolina Teachers Association  
The Vice-President of the North Carolina Teachers Association  
The Recording Secretary of the North Carolina Teachers Association  
The Treasurer of the North Carolina Teachers Association  
The Presidents of the 8 districts of the North Carolina Teachers Association  
The N. E. A. Director of the North Carolina Teachers Association  
The President of the North Carolina Association of Classroom Teachers  
The 9 persons elected by the North Carolina Teachers Association to serve on its Board  
The immediate past President of the North Carolina Teachers Association  
Mrs. Josephine Sharpe  
Dr. William Sharpe, Jr.

and 5 members to be elected by the Board to serve as follows: 1 elected to serve for 1 year, 2 elected to serve for 2 years, and 2 elected to serve for 3 years. At the expiration of their respective terms each member elected thereafter shall serve a 3 year term, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

All of the persons above referred to, except Mrs. Josephine Sharpe, Dr. William Sharpe, Jr., and the five (5) members elected by the Board, shall hold office as members of the Board of Directors of The Hammocks Beach Corporation, only so long as they occupy said positions, and upon death, resignation, or other circumstances causing them to vacate their office, their places shall be filled immediately by the persons succeeding them.

3. The above amendment was adopted by a majority vote of all of the Directors, at a regularly convened meeting of the Board of Directors of The Hammocks Beach Corporation, held on the 16th day of March, 1963, at 10:00 o'clock a. m.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said corporation has caused this certificate to be signed by its President and Secretary and its corporation seal to be hereto affixed, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1963.

Hammocks Beach Corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_

President

Secretary



Rudolph Jones, being the President, and J. W. Seabrook, being the Secretary of the above named Corporation, each being duly sworn, deposes and says; that the facts stated in the foregoing "Articles of Amendment to the Charter of The Hammocks Beach Corporation" are true and correct.

Rudolph Jones  
President

J. W. Seabrook  
Secretary

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 1963.

A. M. [Signature]  
Notary Public

My commission expires: Dec. 14, 1964

62000

CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT

TO THE CHARTER

OF

THE HAMMOCKS BEACH CORPORATION, INCORPORATED

The location of the principal office in this State is at 125 East Hargett Street, in the City of Raleigh, County of Wake.

RESOLUTION OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of The Hammocks Beach Corporation, Incorporated, a corporation of North Carolina, on this 15th day of September, A. D. 1950, do hereby resolve and declare that it is advisable that the Charter of The Hammocks Beach Corporation be amended, and to that end a meeting was called by the directors to be held in the State Education Building in Raleigh on the 15th day of September, 1950, to take action upon the following change.

CERTIFICATE OF CHANGE

The Board of Directors of the corporation doth hereby certify that pursuant to said resolution and notice given to the directors as provided by law, said meeting was held and a majority of the directors present of said corporation, and the following resolution was unanimously adopted approving the amendment proposed by the Board of Directors, as follows:

That Section A under paragraph four shall be amended to include the following:

It is expressly understood that the property conveyed to The Hammocks Beach Corporation, Incorporated, can never be mortgaged or sold, but in the event it is found impractical or impossible to operate the project for the purpose intended by the grantor, Dr. William Sharpe, the said property may be transferred to the State Board of Education of North Carolina to be used in keeping with the purpose and intent of the grantor herein, and if the State of North Carolina desires not to take title to the same then the said property shall be conveyed to the nearest heirs of Dr. William Sharpe and John Hurst.

That Paragraph four of the charter shall be amended to read as follows:

And in order to properly prosecute the objects and purposes herein set forth, the corporation shall be controlled by a Board of Directors which shall consist of twenty-seven persons, to be selected as follows:

The Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State of North Carolina;

The Director of the Division of Negro Education of the State Department of Public Instruction of the State of North Carolina;

The Presidents of the eleven Negro colleges in North Carolina which grant degrees and are accredited by the State Department of Public Instruction of North Carolina at the time of this incorporation, to-wit; Agriculture and Technical College, Greensboro, North Carolina; Barber Scotia College, Concord, North Carolina; Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina; Fayetteville State Teachers College, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, North Carolina; Livingstone College, Salisbury, North Carolina; Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina; Shaw University, Raleigh, North Carolina; Elizabeth City State Teachers College, Elizabeth City, North Carolina; Winston-Salem Teachers College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; North Carolina College, Durham, North Carolina;

The President of The North Carolina Teachers Association, Incorporated;

The Secretary of The North Carolina Teachers Association, Incorporated;

The Presidents of the four districts of The North Carolina Teachers Association, Incorporated;

The State Supervisor of Negro Elementary schools in the State of North Carolina;

The State Supervisor of Negro High Schools in the State of North Carolina;

Two Negro women who are class room teachers in public schools located in the State of North Carolina;

Two other Negro citizens having residence in the State of North

Carolina;

And Dr. William Sharpe, to be succeeded by his son William Sharpe, Jr., and Mrs. Josephine W. Sharpe;

The Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Director of the Division of Negro Education, the Supervisor of Negro Elementary Schools, the President of the Negro colleges in North Carolina, the President of each of the four divisions of the North Carolina Teachers Association, Incorporated, referred to herein before shall hold office as members of the Board of Directors of The Hammocks Beach Corporation, Incorporated, only so long as they occupy said positions and upon death, resignation or other circumstances causing them to vacate their office, their places shall be filled immediately by the persons succeeding them.

The selection and term of office of the two women who are class-room teachers and the other two Negro citizens of North Carolina shall be made and fixed by the board of directors which shall also have the power to elect their successors in office.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, said corporation has caused this certificate to be signed by its President and Secretary, and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed, the 14th day of September, A. D. 1950.

HAMMOCKS BEACH CORPORATION, INCORPORATED

BY [Signature]  
President

ATTEST:

[Signature]  
Secretary

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF WAKE

Be it remembered, that on this 15th day of September, A. D. 1950, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared [Signature], Secretary of the Hammocks Beach Corporation, Incorporated, mentioned in and which executed the following certificate,





J. H. Wheeler  
A. Elder  
P. D. Bluford  
S. D. Williams  
Willard J. McLean  
W. H. Watson  
H. Liston  
Ruth Lawrence Woodson  
Belle D. McCorkle  
S. E. Duncan  
W. J. Trent  
J. W. Seabrook  
G. H. Ferguson  
Clyde A. Erwin  
S. A. Moore  
Harold I. Trigg  
W. L. Greene  
Max C. King, M. D.  
Nelson H. Harris  
William Sharpe  
F. L. Atkins