STATE OF NEBRASKA

United States of America, }
State of Nebraska }

} ss.

Secretary of State State Capitol Lincoln, Nebraska

I, Robert B. Evnen, Secretary of State of the State of Nebraska, do hereby certify that

VOTE WISE NEBRASKA

a Nonprofit Corporation filed Articles of Incorporation on September 5, 2024.

I further certify that attached is a true and correct copy of the above mentioned Articles of Incorporation.

This certificate is not to be construed as an endorsement, recommendation, or notice of approval of the entity's financial condition or business activities and practices.

In Testimony Whereof,



I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska on this date of

September 5, 2024

Secretary of State

Articles of Incorporation of Vote Wise Nebraska

Article 1 Name

The name of the corporation is Vote Wise Nebraska.

Article 2 Type of Corporation

This corporation is a public benefit corporation.

Article 3 Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office is: 5831 Brookview Dr. Lincoln, Nebraska 68506. The name of the initial registered agent at that office is: Thomas B. Blanton.

Article 4 Incorporator

The name and street address of the incorporator is as follows:

1. Thomas B. Blanton 5831 Brookview Dr. Lincoln, Ne 68506

Article 5 Purpose

The purpose of the corporation is to operate exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The specific purpose of the corporation is to raise, administer, and expend funds exclusively in support of voter education in the form of producing and distributing comprehensive voter guides that provide comprehensive information about candidates, ballot measures, and other electoral issues. The corporation may also engage in activities such as organizing public forums, conducting educational workshops, publishing articles and newsletters, and collaborating with other organizations to enhance civic engagement and informed voting.

Article 6 Membership

This corporation will have no members.

Article 7 Provisions for Management and Regulation

The management and regulation of the affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by its Board of Directors. The powers of the corporation, its Board of Directors will be defined in the corporation's bylaws.

Article 8 Prohibition Against Private Increment

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 5.

Article 9 Restrictions on Political Activities

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. However, the corporation may engage in lobbying to influence legislation, provided that such activities are insubstantial in relation to the corporation's overall activities and consistent with the requirements of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article 10 Indemnification

The corporation shall indemnify its directors, officers, employees, and agents to the fullest extent permitted by law against all expenses, liabilities, and losses (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, and settlement amounts) reasonably incurred in connection with any action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, arising out of their service to the corporation, provided they acted in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in the corporation's best interests, and, in the case of criminal proceedings, had no reasonable cause to believe their conduct was unlawful. The corporation may purchase insurance to cover such indemnification.

Article 11 <u>Distribution of Assets on Dissolution</u>

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the assets shall be distributed in accordance with the provisions of the law, for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, or to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose. If assets cannot be distributed for an exempt purpose, they will be distributed to another organization with similar goals that qualifies as exempt under Section 501(c)(3).

Article 12 Amendments

The Board of Directors shall have the power to amend these Articles of Incorporation by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board, except that no amendment or change in these Articles may be made at any time regarding the nonprofit or charitable status of the corporation without unanimous approval of the Board.

Article 13 Initial Directors

The names and street addresses of the individuals who are to serve as the initial directors are:

- 1. Nathan Leach 824 W. 13 st. Kearney, Nebraska 68845
- 2. Andrew Farias 1900 K. St., Apt. 422 Lincoln, Nebraska 68510
- 3. Nick Higgins 2108 Clinton St Apt. 1 Lincoln, Nebraska 68503

Article 14 Signatures

Directors: Nathan Leach

Nathan Kade Leach Nathan Kade Leach 2024-04-09

Andrew Farias

Andrew Domingues Fastas Andrew Dominguez Farias 2024-04-09

Nick Higgins

Nicholas Higgins 2024-04-09

Incorporator: Thomas B. Blanton 5831 Brookview Dr. Lincoln, Nebraska 68506

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