

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
MARION COMMUNITY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

The undersigned natural persons of the age of twenty-one years or more, all of whom are citizens of the state of Texas, acting as incorporators of a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporations:

**ARTICLE ONE**

This non-profit corporation shall be known as the Marion Community Library Association (MCLA).

**ARTICLE TWO**

The area serviced by MCLA includes all valid residents of Guadalupe County and the city of Marion.

**ARTICLE THREE**

MCLA members who regularly attend meetings are eligible to vote.

**ARTICLE FOUR**

The objective of MCLA is to oversee library programming and fundraising to enhance the operation of the Marion Community Library. Indirectly, MCLA governs the operation of the Library via its elected officers and the executive board.

**ARTICLE FIVE**

The officers of this association shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present. They shall also serve on the Executive Board. Their term of office shall be for two-years beginning with the fiscal year. Their duties and responsibilities are described in the by-laws.

**ARTICLE SIX**

The purpose of the Executive Board is to oversee/govern the Marion Community Library operation. It shall be composed of the four above elected officers, the Community Coordinator and the Librarian.

**ARTICLE SEVEN**

A majority of the members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting.

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**ARTICLE EIGHT**

This association is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary, and educational purposes. No part of the net earnings of the association shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the association 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 this article.

**ARTICLE NINE**

No substantial part of the activities shall be the carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and the association shall not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

**ARTICLE TEN**

The constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of all members present, due notice of the amendment having been given at the previous regular meeting. By-laws or Policy statements no conflicting with this constitution may be amended at any regular meeting.

**ARTICLE ELEVEN**

Upon dissolution, all properties/assets would be given to the City of Marion for the expressed purpose of establishing a county library.