ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF BLUFFVIEW SCHOOL, A MONTESSORI LEARNING CENTER

We, the undersigned, of full age, for the purpose of forming a corporation under and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Statutes of Minnesota, known as the Minnesota Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby associate ourselves as a body corporate and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

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The name of this corporation is Bluffview School, A **
Montessori Learning Center.

II

The purposes of this corporation shall be to create a quality Montessori school for children, to foster and promote the welfare of the child, to stimulate research and development in Montessori education both for the Montessori community and for the general educational community, to educate parents so that they can assist in the education of their children, and other related services of an educational and literary nature.

The corporation shall not participate in nor intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

III

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The corporation is empowered to collect, deposit, receive, solicit, contract for, borrow, or pay money by any lawful purpose to aid and assist in the purposes of this corporation.

IV

This corporation does not and shall not afford pecuniary gain, incidental or otherwise, to its members. This corporation is irrevocably dedicated to, and operated exclusively for, non-profit purposes.

V

This corporation shall have perpetual duration and existence.

VI

The location of the registered office of this corporation in the State of Minnesota is at 352 Center Street in the City of Winona, County of Winona.

VII

The names of the incorporators thereof and their post office addresses are as follows:

Joyce Belgum 519 Chestnut Winona, MN 55987

John Gabbert 519 Chestnust Winona, MN 55987

Michael J. Dorer 2154 Knapp Street St. Paul, MN 55108

Kathleen A. Carroll 223 East Sixth Street Winona, MN 55987

Ellen V. Miller 1626 Clubview Road Winona, MN 55987

Walken Ratajczyk 319 Chatfield Winona, MN 55987 Deborah J. Jaworski

534 Glenview Drive Winona, MN 55987

Mary Ann Eichman

Route 1 Trempealeau, WI 54661

VIII

The number of directors constituting the first Board of Directors shall be six (6), plus one (1) ex-officio director. The tenure of office of the first directors shall be two (2) years. The names of the directors and their post office addresses are as follows:

Joyce Belgum

519 Chestnut Winona, MN 55987

Kathleen A. Carroll

223 East Sixth Street Winona, MN 55987

Ellen V. Miller

1626 Clubview Road Winona, MN 55987

Walken Ratajczyk

319 Chatfield Winona, MN 55987

Deborah J. Jaworski

534 Glenview Drive Winona, MN 55987

Mary Ann Eichman

Route 1 Trempealeau, WI 54661

Michael J. Dorer (Ex-officio)

2154 Knapp Street St. Paul, MN 55108

IX

The members and directors shall not be subject, to any extent whatsoever, to personal liability or corporate obligation.

X

The corporation shall have no capital stock.

XI

In the event of dissolution, any remaining assets shall be

distributed to organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

XII

No person shall be refused enrollment or employment on account of race, creed, sex or place of national origin.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 3rd day of September, 1987.

Joyde Belgum

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STATE OF MINNESOTA)

COUNTY OF WINONA)

On this 3rd day of September, 1987, before me, a Notary Public within and for said County, personally appeared Joyce Belgum, John Gabbert, Michael J. Dorer, Kathleen A. Carroll, Ellen V. Miller, Walken Ratajcyzk, Deborah J. Jaworski and Mary Ann Eichman, known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.

Notary Public

Robert C. Youngerman

NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA

WINONA COUNTY

My commission expires Nov. 18, 1988

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF WINONA)

On this day of September, 1987, before me, a Notary Public within and for said County, personally appeared Ellen V. Miller, known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.

Votary Public Jose 8, 1987

STATE OF MINNESOTA)

COUNTY OF WINONA)

BARBARA J. ANDERSON
NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA
WINONA COUNTY
My Commission Expires June 11. 1893

On this 15+1 day of September, 1987, before me, a Notary Public within and for said County, personally appeared John Gabbert, known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Robert C. Youngerman

My cemmission expires Nov. 18, 1988

STATE OF MINNESOTA

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Merger Agreement

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Bluffview School - A Montessorl Learning Center and Montessorl of Winona (previously known as Delahanty Montessorl School, and as Montessorl School of Winona), both non-profit corporations of Winona, Minnesota, hereby agree to the following:

- The two schools will merge on September 29, 1989. Bluffview School
 A Montessori Learning Center will be the surviving corporation.
- 2. The new, merged school will be named Bluffview Montessori School and will adopt the bylaws which have already been adopted unanimously by both boards of directors.
- 3. All property owned by Bluffview School A Montessori Learning
 Center and by Montessori of Winona and all obligations will be
 transferred to Bluffview Montessori School. There are no shares in
 either corporation. Any and all present members of either school will
 become members of Bluffview Montessori School.
- 4. In the event that the corporation dissolves, an attempt will be made to allocate all property, holdings, and obligations in the fairest and most equitable way. A careful attempt should be made to maintain the integrity of any and all classrooms. In case of any sale following such a dissolution all monies should first be allocated to the establishment of an adequate retirement or pension plan for all employees, the details of which would be worked out by the principal, president of the board of directors and a representative of the school's bank.

5. All of the signatories to this agreement agree that they would not individually or collectively use the names or logos of Bluffview School - A Montessori Learning Center, Montessori of Winona, Delahanty Montessori School or Montessori School of Winona in setting up or organizing any school in the Winona area competitive to Bluffview Montessori School. Bluffview Montessori School is, however, free to change its name to any of these by the usual process.

This agreement was adopted in accordance with the provisions of 317.30 - 317.42 of the Minnesota statutes, and in accordance with the bylaws of both of the constituent corporations. A resolution was adopted on August 29, 1989 by the boards of directors of both constituent corporations approving this Merger Agreement and directing that this agreement be submitted to a vote of the memberships of each corporation at a special meeting to be called for that purpose. This agreement was adopted by a majority vote of the membership of Montessori of Winona at a special meeting held on September 7, 1989; and by a majority vote of the membership of Bluffview School - A Montessori Learning Center held on September 7, 1989.

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| Sherry Lindquist Secretary Montessori of Winona | Sandra Bauer Secretary Bluffview School |
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| Claire Bambenek Treasurer Montessori of Winona | Jany Maier 9-7-89 Gary Moder Treasurer Bluffview School |
| Haine Crown 9/7/89 Haine Crown Board Member Montessori of Winona | Kenneth Maly 9-7-89 Kenneth Maly Board Member Bluffview School |
| Shuley Oberton 9-7-89 Shirley Oberton Board Member Montessori of Winona | Vera Miller Board Member Bluffview School |
| Carol Anklan Board Member Montessori of Winona | Deborah Jawotski Registrar Montessori of Winona |
| Mary Schneider Directress Montessori of Winona | Michael Dorer School Director Bluffview School |

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