

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

THE AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT SOCIETY, INCORPORATED
(A Corporation not for profit)

The undersigned for the purpose of organizing a corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopt this Certificate of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be The Aquatic Plant Management Society, Incorporated.

ARTICLE II

The general nature of the objects of this Society shall be to assist in promoting control of water hyacinths and other noxious aquatic weeds, to provide for the scientific advancement of members of the Society, to encourage scientific research, to promote university scholarships and to extend and develop public interest in the movement

ARTICLE III

Section A The membership of the Society shall consist of ~~four~~ five classes: Active members, Student members, Associate members, Commercial members and Honorary members

Section B Active members shall consist of four categories: Directors, Scientific Research Workers, Commissioners, Professional Advisory and Consulting Personnel

1. A Director member shall be any individual actively engaged in direct supervision of a local government hyacinth control program
2. A Research member shall be any individual or nonprofit organization interested in or concerned with scientific research in the control of hyacinths or other noxious aquatic weeds
3. A Commissioner member shall be any individual duly elected or appointed to serve as a member of the governing board of a local government hyacinth control program.
4. Professional advisory and consulting personnel members shall be those individuals employed by various Federal, State or Local agencies employed primarily to lend technical aid and assistance to local

hyacinth control programs, or those Federal and State employees directly administering hyacinth control activities

Section C. Student members shall be those individuals actively enrolled in a full time college level study of aquatic weeds, or related college level studies approved by the Board of Directors.

Section D. Associate members shall be those individuals or organizations desiring to maintain contact with the work of the Society by receiving its bulletins and other publications

Section E. Commercial members shall consist of two categories: Individual and profit making organizations.

This class of membership is intended for individuals or profit making organizations wishing to aid in scientific research as well as to give financial support to the Society irrespective of whether or not they are in a position to participate otherwise in the affairs of the Society.

Section F. Honorary memberships may be conferred on any person who has rendered such service to the cause of hyacinth control as to entitle him to special recognition.

Section G. Voting members shall be all members in good standing except those individuals classified as Associate and Honorary members as defined by Sections C. and E. of this article.

Section H. All applications for membership shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE V

Name and residences of the subscribers are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
T. W. Miller, Jr	Fort Myers, Florida
A. S. Chipley	Bokeelia, Florida
Herbert J. Friedman	Tampa, Florida
William Dryden	Fort Myers, Florida
Thomas O. Fultz	Bartow, Florida
Edwin L. Seabrook	West Palm Beach, Florida
Donald E. Seaman	Fort Lauderdale, Florida

ARTICLE VI

The affairs of this corporation are to be managed by a Board of Directors and Officers of the Society

The officers of the Society shall be President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Editor

The Board of Directors of this Society shall consist of not more than thirteen members and shall include the active officers of the Society.

The officers of this Society shall be elected by majority vote of the voting members present at the annual meeting of this Society and shall serve until the close of the next annual meeting following their election or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. No member shall be eligible for office who has not been a voting member of the Society for ~~one~~ three years

ARTICLE VII

Names of the officers and directors who are to manage all the affairs of this corporation until the first election under this charter are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>
T. W. Miller, Jr.	President	Fort Myers, Florida
A. S. Chipley	Vice President	Bokeelia, Florida
Herbert J. Friedman	Secretary-Treasurer	Tampa, Florida
William Dryden	Editor	Fort Myers, Florida
Thomas O. Fultz	Director	Bartow, Florida
Edwin L. Seabrook	Director	West Palm Beach, Fla
Donald E. Seaman	Director	Fort Lauderdale, Fla

ARTICLE VIII

The Articles of Incorporation and/or Bylaws of this Society shall be made and adopted, altered or rescinded by three-fourths vote of the active members present at any annual meeting, provided the notice of the proposed amendment has been given in writing to the Secretary and transmitted by him to active members thirty days before the annual meeting and that notice of the time said amendment is to be voted on has been announced at least twelve hours in advance.

ARTICLE IX

The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which this corporation at any time may subject itself is One hundred thousand (\$100,000 00) Dollars.

ARTICLE X

The amount in value of real estate which the corporation may hold is Two hundred fifty thousand (\$250,000 00) Dollars

WITNESS the hands and seals of the incorporators on Useppa Island, Lee County, State of Florida, this 19th day of July, 1961

/s/ T. W. Miller, Jr., Fort Myers, Florida	(LS)
/s/ A. S. Chipley, Bokeelia, Florida	(LS)
/s/ Herbert J. Friedman, Tampa, Florida	(LS)
/s/ William Dryden, Fort Myers, Florida	(LS)
/s/ Thomas O. Fultz, Bartow, Florida	(LS)
/s/ Edwin L. Seabrook, West Palm Beach, Florida	(LS)
/s/ D. E. Seaman, Fort Lauderdale, Florida	(LS)

State of Florida)
) ss.
County of Lee)

Personally appeared before me the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for the County of Lee, T. W. Miller, Jr., A. S. Chipley, Herbert J. Friedman, William Dryden, Thomas O. Fultz, Edwin L. Seabrook and Donald E. Seaman who upon first being duly sworn upon oath say that they are the incorporators and subscribers to the foregoing articles of incorporation and that it is the intent in good faith by the subscribers to carry out the provisions and objects set forth herein, that they acknowledge the execution of said document as such subscribers.

/s/ T. W. Miller, Jr., Fort Myers, Florida
/s/ A. S. Chipley, Bokeelia, Florida
/s/ Herbert J. Friedman, Tampa, Florida
/s/ William Dryden, Fort Myers, Florida
/s/ Edwin L. Seabrook, West Palm Beach, Florida
/s/ Thomas O. Fultz, Bartow, Florida
/s/ D. E. Seaman, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Sworn to and subscribed before me at Useppa Island, Florida, this 19th day of July, 1961

/S/ LAURA E. SKINNER,
Notary Public

NOTARY SEAL
My Commission Expires July 19, 1964