

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**Mid-Iowa Community News Inc.**

FIRST. The name of the corporation is Mid-Iowa Community News Inc. organized under Iowa Code Section 504.

SECOND. The period of its duration is perpetual.

THIRD. Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under the section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The business activity for said organization is as follows: a news and information nonprofit for the Ames, IA area, focusing on coverage that values local insights and diverse voices, and ethical reporting, while prioritizing community engagement and empowerment.

No part of the net earnings of this organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization 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 the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of this organization shall be the carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and this organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets remaining shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

FOURTH. Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs and the distribution of the final assets upon dissolution of the corporation shall be set forth in the bylaws of the corporation.

FIFTH. The street address of the corporation's initial registered office is 4200 University Blvd., Suite 426, West Des Moines, IA 50266, and the name of its initial registered agent at that office is United States Corporation Agents, Inc.

SIXTH. The first Board of Directors shall consist of 4 members whose names are as follows. The address for each director is c/o Mid-Iowa Community News Inc., 2221 University Ave. SE Suite 450, Minneapolis, MN 55414. These directors shall to serve until the first annual meeting of shareholders or until successor(s) is/are elected and qualified.

Charles Weaver  
Allen Weber  
Carolyn Klaus  
Lynne Carey

SEVENTH. The corporation will not have members.

EIGHTH. The incorporator of the corporation is LegalZoom.com, Inc., 101 N. Brand Blvd., 11th Floor, Glendale, CA 91203.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on the date below.

Date: February 22, 2024

By: Charles Weaver  
Charles Weaver, Incorporator