ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of the Keweenaw Bird Research Group

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Article I

The name of the corporation is: Keweenaw Bird Research Group

Article II

The Corporation is formed exclusively for charitable, research and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The specific purposes of the Corporation are to:

- a) publicize and conduct scientific research to collect data about the migration of birds of prey and other bird species in the Keweenaw and the surrounding Lake Superior region.
- b) share data and information with other organizations to advance scientific knowledge and promote conservation of raptors, sea-birds and other bird populations.
- c) educate the public about the importance of the Keweenaw and the surrounding region as a migratory pathway and nesting site along with the birds that share it.
- d) preserve migratory and stop-over habitat as well as seasonal and year round habitat for birds in the Keweenaw and surrounding region.
- e) promote and monetarily support worthy projects that share the corporation's mission.

Article III

- 1) The corporation is formed upon a Non-stock basis and therefore has no authorized shares.
- 2) The corporation:
- a) owns no Real Property.
- b) owns a protective shack for bird counters valued at \$850 and miscellaneous counter tools valued at \$600.
- c) shall be funded by contributions from individuals, businesses, other organizations, fundraising events, solicitations of charitable gifts from the public, private and government grants and other permissible means, all as allowed and qualifying under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- d) is formed on Directorship basis.

Article IV

- 1. The name of the resident agent at the registered office is: Karen Karl
- 2. The address of the registered office in Michigan is: 882 Gratiot Street, Copper Harbor, Michigan 49918.
- 3. The mailing address of the registered office in Michigan if different than above: PO Box 92, Copper Harbor, Michigan, 49918.

Article V

The names and addresses of the incorporators are as follows:

Karen Karl, 882 Gratiot Street, Copper Harbor, Michigan, 49918

Hannah Rooks, 242 First Street, Copper Harbor, Michigan, 49918

Debra Mues, 3654 Five Mile Point Road, Allouez, Michigan, 49805

Article VI

501(c)(3) Provisions

- A. Keweenaw Bird Research Group ("KBRG") shall operate exclusively for charitable, scientific, and educational purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- B. KBRG shall not engage, otherwise than as an insubstantial part of its activities, in activities that in themselves are not in furtherance of one or more exempt purposes
- C. Upon the dissolution of KBRG, assets shall be distributed (1) 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 (2) to the federal government, or to a state or local government, or for a public purpose.
- D. No part of the net earnings of KBRG shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons. However, KBRG shall be authorized to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II.
- E. No substantial part of the activities of KBRG shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and KBRG 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.

We, the incorporators sign our names this first day of February, 2016:
Karen Karl
Hannah Rooks
Debra Mues