

**EXHIBIT A**  
**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

<p>APPLICANT'S ACCT NO. CR 15-7316 (Rev. 11-72)</p> <p>Filing Fee: \$75 ADM 8 Articles of Incorporation-- Domestic Nonprofit Corporation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">(Line for numbering)</p>	<p>Filed this <u>10th</u> day of <u>May</u> 19<u>82</u> Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of State</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>William C. Davis</i> Secretary of the Commonwealth</p>
<p>COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE CORPORATION BUREAU</p>		<p>(Box for Certification)</p>

In compliance with the requirements of 15 Pa.C.S. §7316 (relating to articles of incorporation) the undersigned, desiring to be incorporated as a nonprofit corporation, hereby certifies (certify) that:

1. The name of the corporation is:  
The Flagship Niagara League

2. The location and post office address of the initial registered office of the corporation in this Commonwealth is:  
80 State Street  
(NUMBER) (STREET)  
Erie Pennsylvania 16507  
(CITY) (ZIP CODE)

3. The corporation is incorporated under the Nonprofit Corporation Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the following purpose or purposes:

- To facilitate citizen participation in:
- A. the restoration and preservation of the Flagship Niagara;
  - B. the fostering of community and national awareness of the historical significance of the ship;
  - C. the provision of resources--monetary, material, and human--to facilitate these goals.
  - D. providing direction, including policy recommendations, financial plans for the development of the Niagara in concert with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.
  - E. providing educational and historical activities related to the Flagship, and to do all lawful things for which corporations can be formed under the Nonprofit Corporation Law of Pennsylvania, Act No. 271 of November 15, 1972, as amended.

corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit, incidental or otherwise.

4. The term for which the corporation is to exist is: perpetual

M. BURR KEIM COMPANY, PHILADELPHIA