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#### ARTICLES OF MERGER

NORTH CAROLINA SUPPORT OUR TROOPS, IN

### ARTICLE I - NAME & AND JURISDICTION OF THE SURV

The surviving corporation is Support Our Troops, Inc., a Florida not for profit corporation, N05000002249, and its articles of incorporation are not changed by this merger.

#### ARTICLE II - NAME AND JURISDICTION OF THE MERGING CORPORATION

The merging corporation is North Carolina Support Our Troops, Inc. (NC#843032).

#### ARTICLE III -PLAN OF MERGER.

The Plan of Merger is attached and by reference is incorporated herein.

#### ARTICLE IV - EFFECTIVE DATE OF MERGER

The merger shall become effective on the date these Articles of Merger are filed with the Florida Department of State.

#### ARTCILE V - ADOPTION OF MERGER BY SURVIVING CORPORATION

The plan of merger was adopted by unanimous written consent of the directors of the surviving corporation and executed in accordance with section 617.0701, Florida Statutes.

#### ARTICLE VI - ADOPTION OF MERGER BY MERGING CORPORATION

The plan of merger was adopted by unanimous written consent of the members and directors of the merging corporation and executed in accordance with section 617.0701, Florida Statutes.

For the Merging Corporation

For the Surviving Corporation

I state under penalty of perjury that to the best of my knowledge the facts herein are true and correct.

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#### PLAN OF MERGER

OF

## NORTH CAROLINA SUPPORT OUR TROOPS, INC. A NORTH CAROLINA NONPROFIT CORPORATION

INTO

#### SUPPORT OUR TROOPS, INC., A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

#### Summary.

- <u>Surviving Organization</u>: Support Our Troops, Inc. (FL#N05000002249) (hereafter SOT) is organized under the laws of Florida and is registered to engage in business in North Carolina (NC#1214225).
- Merged Organization: North Carolina Support Our Troops, Inc. (NC#843032) (hereafter NCSOT) is organized under the laws of North Carolina
- Approved: By Board of SOT (SOT has no members), and by Board and Members of NCSOT.
- Name of Surviving Organization: Support Our Troops, Inc.
- Stock: Both organizations are non-stock corporations.
- Non-Profit: Both organizations are not-for-profit organizations.
- Articles of Incorporation: The Articles of Incorporation of Support Our Troops, Inc. are not changed by this merger.

#### Purpose of Merger.

NCSOT is organized under the laws of North Carolina, and SOT is organized under the laws of Florida and registered to engage in business in North Carolina.

To best serve the troops and their families this organization has steadfastly pursued the maximum charitable efficiency, doing the most good possible with the least possible overhead.

In these tumultuous economic times this organization intends to use prudent business sense in all manner possible to maximize charitable performance for its intended beneficiaries.

As named in NCSOT's Articles of Incorporation SOT is affiliated with NCSOT for the common purpose of serving the troops and their families, and SOT as parent charity has been handling all of the administrative work for NCSOT to date.

SOT is also active in North Carolina, and its overhead is consistently below three percent (3%) and SOT can maintain and increase the two groups' common mission efficiency by merging NCSOT's operation into SOT's larger operation.

For reduction of paperwork, creation of more time to focus on the corporate mission, and to keep administrative costs down, the Board of Directors of SOT and the Board of Directors of NCSOT have determined it best to merge the subsidiary organization NCSOT into SOT which will then continue forth to do business within North Carolina.

In these tumultuous economic times SOT intends to continue to use prudent business and maximize charitable efficiency by avoiding the costs of unproductive duplication. For the aforesaid reasons it will best fulfill the purposes of both organizations for NCSOT to merge into SOT which will continue forward to serve the troops and their families in accordance with Article XIII of the Articles of Incorporation of NCOST.

#### Plan of Merger of NCSOT into SOT.

SOT approves the merger of NCSOT into the parent SOT and the execution of any necessary Articles of Merger. SOT has no members and the right to amend or restate is vested in the Board, and SOT is the only voting member of NCSOT.

SOT shall upon merger acquire all rights and obligations of NCSOT, including all the rights, privileges, immunities, and powers of said corporation.

SOT shall upon merger possess all the rights, privileges, immunities, and franchises, of a public as well as of a private nature, of NCSOT.

Upon merger all real, personal, and mixed property, all debts due on whatever account, all other choses in action, and all and every other interest of or belonging to or due NCSOT shall be taken and deemed to be transferred to and vested in SOT without further act or deed.

The asset of NCSOT is a "support our troops" special registration plate discussed in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 20- 79.4(b)(139), which can henceforth be most efficiently administered by Support Our Troops, Inc. The aforesaid special plate asset and revenue generated thereby and derived therefrom are hereby transferred to Support Our Troops, Inc. in accordance with Article XIII of the Articles of Incorporation of NCSOT.

There are no changes to the current Articles of Incorporation of SOT as a result of this merger. The merger shall become effective on the date the Articles of Merger are filed with the Florida Department of State.

SOT is the surviving/acquiring corporation, and will continue to be governed under the laws of the State of Florida.

The officers of SOT are authorized, empowered and directed execute any and all documents and take all actions necessary and proper to implement the foregoing.

Appropriate notice was given to the North Carolina Attorney General's office pursuant to Chapter 55A of the North Carolina General Statutes, and said office informed this organization that it had no objection to this merger.

On behalf of the troops and their families the Board thanks everyone who has been involved to date and looks forward to doing continued good works with them under the new organizational format in North Carolina.