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**FLORIDA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**  
**SUNCOAST PARTNERSHIP TO END HOMELESSNESS, INC.**

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
SUNCOAST PARTNERSHIP TO END HOMELESSNESS, INC.**

**(A Corporation Not for Profit)**

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In order to form a Corporation under and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the undersigned hereby make, adopt and subscribe the following Articles of Incorporation:

**I.  
NAME OF CORPORATION**

The name of this Corporation shall be SunCoast Partnership to End Homelessness, Inc. (the "Corporation").

The principal address and the mailing address of the Corporation shall be:

1445 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Sarasota, FL 34238

**II.  
PURPOSES**

The purposes for which the Corporation is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary and educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The general nature, objects and purposes of the Corporation shall be to operate without profit and to accept and receive property of whatever kind, and wherever situate, received by it by gift, grant, purchase, devise, bequest, or in any lawful manner and to administer and distribute such property exclusively for health, welfare, scientific, educational, environmental, cultural and other charitable purposes, including:

A. To distribute property in accordance with the terms of gifts, bequests, or devises made to the Corporation which are not inconsistent with its purposes;

B. To modify any restriction or condition on the administration and distribution of funds for any specified purpose consistent herewith if in the sole judgment of the board of directors, such restriction or condition becomes, in effect, unnecessary, incapable of fulfillment, or inconsistent with the designated purposes of the Corporation.

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services

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rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation 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 provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a Corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

The specific nature, objects and purposes of the Corporation shall be to prevent and reduce homelessness and to support the self-sufficiency and self-determination of homeless individuals and families through planning, networking, coordinating and monitoring the delivery service systems impacting the homeless. The Corporation shall be guided by the following principles in fulfilling its mission:

- Value engagement and creation of linkages to achieve accomplishment of the goals;
- Focus on creation of system and integration with other systems that support efforts to eliminate homelessness;
- Strive to maximize and invest resources into services impacting the homeless and those at risk of homelessness;
- Respect roles of all aspects of the community including businesses, government, providers, faith-based organizations and most importantly individuals and families affected by factors leading to homelessness; and
- Amplify the passion and commitment of community through empowered committees, subcommittees and task forces to do the work of the Corporation.

### III.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, as determined pursuant to provisions of the Bylaws of the Corporation. The method of election of directors shall be as stated in the bylaws of the Corporation.

### IV.

#### CORPORATE EXISTENCE

The existence of this Corporation shall be perpetual, unless dissolved according to law.

### V.

#### BYLAWS

The incorporators of the Corporation shall adopt Bylaws consistent with these Articles of Incorporation. Thereafter, the Bylaws may be altered, amended or rescinded by the Directors of the Corporation in the manner provided in the Bylaws.

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**VI.  
REGISTERED AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is 200 S. Orange Avenue, Sarasota, Florida 34236, and the name of the initial registered agent of this Corporation at that address is Michael J. Wilson.

**VII.  
INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is Dave English, 1445 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Sarasota, Florida 34236.

**VIII.  
MEMBERS**

The Corporation shall have members as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

**IX.  
OFFICERS**

The Corporation shall have officers as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

**X.  
COMMITTEES**

The Corporation may establish such committees as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

**XI.  
DISTRIBUTION UPON DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation, the assets 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 of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation 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.

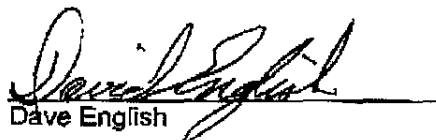
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AMENDMENT**

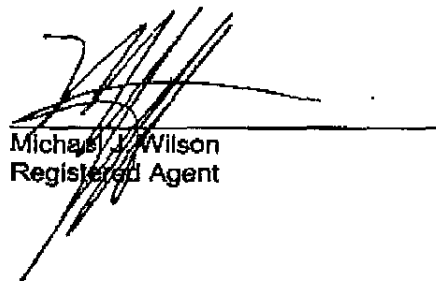
This Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this \_\_\_\_ day of April 2005

  
Dave English

**ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT BY REGISTERED AGENT**

The undersigned, hereby consents to the appointment as Registered Agent of SunCoast Partnership to End Homelessness, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, to accept service of process upon said Corporation in this state. The undersigned is familiar with, and accepts, the obligations of this position.

  
Michael J. Wilson  
Registered Agent

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