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Sanibel, Florida
33957

Department of State
Division of Corporations
P.O. Pox 6317
Tallahassee, Florida
32314
April 30,2007

SUBJECT Lee County – Supporting Our Troops Inc.

Enclosed is an original and two copies of the Articles of Incorporation of “Lee County – Supporting Our Troops Inc., and a check for \$87.50 payable to the Florida Department of State. We are requesting a Certified Copy and Certificate of Status.

FROM : *Alex MacKenzie*
Alex MacKenzie - Registered Agent
1026 Sand Castle Road
Sanibel, Florida, 33957
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

LEE COUNTY SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS INC.

The undersigned who are eighteen (18) years or older, a majority of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation in compliance with Chapter 617.0202 of the Florida Statutes (F.S.) do hereby certify:

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ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: “ Lee County Supporting Our Troops Inc.”

ARTICLE II: PRINCIPLE PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principle office of the Corporation will be located is the City of Sanibel in Lee County, Florida at:

1036 Sand Castle Road
Sanibel, Florida
33957

ARTICLE III: MISSION/PURPOSES

Said Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes including for such purposes of 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 federal tax code.

The Corporation will have the following mission and purposes:

A. **MISSION:** The mission of the organization is to identify and support current and former United States Military personnel and their families, particularly those who are serving in or have been wounded in current or future military conflicts involving the United States Armed Forces.

B. **PURPOSES:** The specific purposes of the organization to accomplish its mission are:

1. Identify military personnel and their families requiring assistance through interaction with regional military organizations, Veterans Administration, National Guard, and Central Command

2. Provide interim financial support to these individuals and/or their families through mechanisms such as telephone calling cards, food vouchers, and care packages.

3. Provide needed services such as free transportation for personnel and their families to medical and other facilities and serving, where appropriate, as advocates for them.

4. Develop and implement other programs which will aid service personnel in reintegrating into the community such as *pro-bono* advice for establishing a business, job counseling, and job training.

ARTICLE IV: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The business of this organization shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of no less than seven (7) and no more than nine (9) members elected at a duly warned Annual Meeting by a simple majority of the members of the organization, present and voting.

ARTICLE V: INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The initial trustees and officers of the corporation shall be seven. Such numbers may be increased as provided for in the Bylaws. The named Directors are to serve until the first annual meeting and until their successors are elected and qualify are:

President - Dewey Tate
27320 Hidden River Court
Bonita Springs, Florida
34134

Vice-President Alan Cross
6123 Starling Way
Sanibel, FL 33957

Secretary John Frymoyer, MD
4628 Rue Belle Mer
Sanibel FL 33957

Treasurer Alex Mac Kenzie
1026 Sand Castle Road
Sanibel, FL 33957

Charles York
963 Sand Castle Road
Sanibel, FL 33957

Carl Meier MD
214 Palm Lake
Sanibel, FL 33957

Earl Sawin
1426 Causey Court
Sanibel, FL 33957

ARTICLE VI REGISTERED AGENT

In compliance with the statutes of Florida, the Registered agent of the Corporation is:

Alex MacKenzie
1036 Sand Castle Road
Sanibel, FL 33957

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

In compliance with the statutes of Florida, the Incorporator of the Corporation is:

John Frymoyer, MD
4628 Rue Belle Mer
Sanibel, FL 33957

ARTICLE VIII:

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions to furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof.

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 or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE IX: DISSOLUTION OF ORGANIZATION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the 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 purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is 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.

ARTICLE X:

Any amendments to these Articles of Incorporation shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have signed these Articles of Incorporation and acknowledge that these Articles of Incorporation are his act and that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, the matters and facts set forth herein are true in all material respects.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Alex MacKenzie
Alex MacKenzie - Registered Agent Date

5/1/07

John W. Frymoyer, MD
John W. Frymoyer, MD Incorporator Date

5/1/07

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