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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

# CHARLOTTE COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TASK FORCE, INC.

We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of becoming incorporated as a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, and we do hereby subscribe to and adopt the following as our a ticles of incorporation:

# ARTICLE 1. - NAME

The name of this corporation is CHARLOTTE COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TASK FORCE, INC.

### ARTICLE 2. - PURPOSES

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE 3. - LIMITATIONS

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 rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth elsewhere herein. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting 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 provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

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# ARTICLE 4. - DISSOLUTION

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 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 so 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.

## ARTICLE 5. - QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The membership of this corporation shall consist of those persons hereinafter named as subscribers and such other persons as, from time to time, shall become members in the manner provided by the Bylaws.

# ARTICLE 6. - TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

# ARTICLE 7. - SUBSCRIBERS

The names and residences of the subscribers to these articles are:

NAME ADDRESS

BARBARA T. SCOTT 22430 Albany Avenue

Port Charlotte, FL 33952

RUSSELL T. KIRSHY P. O. Box 512023 Punta Gorda, FL 33951

## ARTICLE 8. - OFFICERS

 $\underline{\text{Section 1}}$ . The officers of the corporation shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary and a treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided in the Bylaws.

Section 2. No person may hold more than one office except that the Bylaws may provide that the offices of secretary and treasurer shall be combined.

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## ARTICLE 9. - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The business affairs of this corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors. This corporation shall have three directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three.

 $\frac{\text{Section 2}}{\text{Section}}$ . The Directors shall be members of the corporation.

Section 3. Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of the membership and shall hold office in accordance with provisions of the Bylaws.

Section 4. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first election thereof are as follows:

NAME	ADDRESS
BARBARA T. SCOTT	22430 Albany Avenue Port Charlotte, FL 33952
RUSSELL T. KIRSHY	P. O. Box 512023 Funta Gorda, FL 33951
NANCY L. LISBY	527 West Palm Avenue Punta Gorda, FL 33950

# ARTICLE 10. - BYLAWS

Bylaws of this corporation shall be made and may be altered or rescinded by majority vote of those members present at any regular meeting or at any special meeting called for that purpose. Notice of any special meeting shall be given as provided in the Bylaws.

# ARTICLE 11. - AMENDMENTS

 $\frac{\text{Section 1}}{\text{amended at any annual meeting of the membership or at any special meeting of the membership called for that purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those present.$ 

Section 2. Amendments may also be made by the Board of Directors at any meeting of the Board, provided at least ten days' notice of such proposed amendment or amendments be given to all members of the corporation by regular U. S. Mail.

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### ARTICLE 12. - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The location of the principal office of this corporation shall be 18501 Murdock Circle, Sixth Floor, Port Charlotte, FL 33948, but may, from time to time, be changed to any other location in the State of Florida. Meetings of the Board of Directors and meetings of the membership may be held at any place within or outside the State of Florida, provided notice shall be given as provided by the Bylaws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals for the purpose of forming this corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, this  $\frac{13 + 1}{199}$  day of  $\frac{1202 m (44)}{199}$ ,

Witnesses:

First Witness

Barbara m

Victoria Seel

Second Witness

First Witness

Puscell T Vischer

Second Witness

STATE OF FLORIDA: COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared BARBARA T. SCOTT to me known to be the person described as incorporator or who produced

as identification, and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and she acknowledged that she executed the same for the purposes therein stated, and she did not take an oath.

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WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid this 134 day of Mineral , 1996. NOTARY PUBLIC: DIANE J NICE (Seal) COMMISSION NUMBER CC277468 ot trog MY COMMISSION EXP. MAY 15,1997 Commission No. My commission expires: STATE OF FLORIDA: COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE: I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared RUSSELL T. KIRSHY to me known to be the person described as incorporator or who produced as identification, and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein stated, and he did not take an oath. WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid this 13th day of Necember , 1996. NOTARY PUBLIC: MARDELLE W. MASTRO Print Name (Seal) MARDELLE 11. MARCHINES

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING A REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS.

In compliance with Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

CHARLOTTE COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TASK FORCE, INC. desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the articles of incorporation at 18501 Murdock Circle, Sixth Floor, Port Charlotte, County of Charlotte, State of Florida, has designated W. KEVIN RUSSELL, whose street address is 18501 Murdock Circle, Sixth Floor, Port Charlotte, County of Charlotte, State of Florida, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TASK FORCE, INC.

## **ACCEPTANCE**

Having been designated as agent to accept service of process for the above-named corporation, at the place stated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity and to comply with the provision of said law relative to same.

W. Kevin Russell

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