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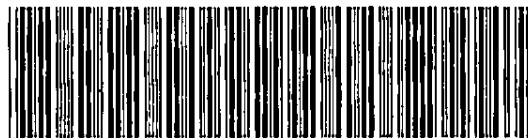
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SUBJECT: FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND, INC.  
Ref. Number: 741667

We have received your document for FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$35.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The date of adoption of each amendment must be included in the document.

HOW WAS AMENDMENTS ADOPTED?

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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September 27, 2017

Florida Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Bo 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND, INC.  
Ref. Number: 741667  
Letter Number: 217A00017518

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed please find the corrected Amended Articles of Incorporation for the Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind, Inc. with the requested information included. A copy of your September 6, 2017 correspondence is also enclosed.

We would appreciate your filing this Amendment.

Sincerely,

MESSER & MESSER

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. N. Messer', written over a horizontal line.

Roger N. Messer, Esq.

RNM:jak  
Enclosures

COVER LETTER

TO: Amendment Section  
Division of Corporations

NAME OF CORPORATION: FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND, INC.

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 741667

The enclosed *Articles of Amendment* and fee are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

ROGER N. MESSER, ESQ.

(Name of Contact Person)

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For further information concerning this matter, please call:

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Enclosed is a check for the following amount made payable to the Florida Department of State:

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AMENDED

Articles of Incorporation

CHARTER OF  
FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND, INC.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THE PRESENTS:

That we, the undersigned, do hereby, subject to the approval of the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit in and for Volusia County, Florida, associate ourselves together in a body corporate not for profit, under the terms, conditions and covenants of this Chapter, and the Law of the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, 1957, and for such purposes as are herein set forth. The following Articles of Incorporation have been adopted by us as the proposed Charter of said incorporation, and provide as follows:

ARTICLE I  
NAME AND LOCATION

The name of this corporation shall be FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND, INC., (hereafter referred to as the Foundation), and the same shall be located at the office of the State Secretary of the Lions of Multiple District 35, or at such other place or places as may hereinafter be designed by a majority of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

ARTICLE II  
GENERAL NATURE OF OBJECTS AND PURPOSES

The general nature of the objects and purposes of the Foundation are as follows:

- A. To interest all Lions Clubs, Lions affiliated organizations, and their members within Multiple District 35, in a continuous program for aid, assistance, care, educational vocational training, and placement of the blind and near blind legal residents of Multiple District 35.
- B. To cooperate with all existing recognized agencies rendering service to the blind, visually handicapped and for the preservation of sight.
- C. To initiate, sponsor and support programs to eliminate, prevent or avoid any conditions, accidents, disease or other factors responsible for or contributing to

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blindness; and wherever possible, for the improvement and conservation of the sight and vision of humans.

D. To open to all blind, qualified persons, all possible avenues of employment and livelihood.

E. To stimulate and encourage in the public at large, an understanding and interest in the blind, and the objects and purposes of the Foundation; and give an opportunity to the public at large to participate in programs for aid and assistance to the blind, visually handicapped and sight conservation, through personal service, membership in the Foundation, donations, contributions, bequests or devises of property or money, for the exclusive uses as expressed in these objects.

F. For such other objects and purposes of a general or specific nature that may be of aid to the blind and programs for the prevention of blindness and conservation of sight, not hereinabove particularly set forth.

G. To generally do, perform and carry on all of the matters, acts, things and business transactions necessary to the objects and purposes of the Foundation, and as is usual and proper in connection with corporations not for profit, and as authorized under and by virtue of the Laws of the State of Florida, now in existence or which may hereafter be enacted.

\*H. Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, education and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations described under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code.

### ARTICLE III

#### MEMBERSHIP, QUALIFICATIONS, MANNER OF ADMISSION

Membership of the Foundation shall consist of all Active and Life members of a Lions Club of Multiple District 35. Other persons, not Lions, may become members by making donations, or shall otherwise qualify as provided for in the By-Laws of the Foundation; Membership in the Foundation shall not require the payment of dues.

### ARTICLE IV

#### TERM OF EXISTENCE

This Corporation is not for profit. It shall have perpetual existence from the date of its incorporation, unless dissolved by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors of the Foundation, and the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present and voting at an Annual Membership Meeting of the

Foundation, together with a petition to the Circuit Judge and the decree of the Circuit Judge, as provided by Section 617.05, Florida Statutes, 1957, or by operation of law.

ARTICLE V  
NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF SUBSCRIBERS

<u>NAMES</u>	<u>ADDRESSES</u>
Millard B. Conklin	204-1/2 N. Beach St., Daytona Beach, Florida
Fred J. Morrow	4001 Liberty North, Jacksonville, Florida
David Lundquist	Post Office Box 7398, Orlando, Florida
E.B. "Sunshine" Brant	5051 Ninth Avenue N, St. Petersburg, Florida
Nathan S. Rubin, M.D.	1401 N. Palafox St, Pensacola, Florida
Frank Canella	1224 Central Ave, Tampa, Florida
E.L. "Bert" Reames	Post Office Box 3344, Daytona Beach, Florida
Hoke S. Johnson	1630 Riverside Drive, Holly Hill, Florida
Wilfred Robarts	Robarts Funeral Home, Sarasota, Florida
Alton Boyde	Box 18, Panama City, Florida
Dr. Walter H. Campbell	541 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach, Florida
William R. Joiner	Alachua, Florida
Norman Shenk	Post Office Box 110, Tampa, Florida
Will H. Wasson	1533 Catherine Courts, Jacksonville, Florida
J.D. Boyle	Post Office Box 660, Leesburg, Florida
Robert S. Box	Post Office Box 1249, Pensacola, Florida
W.I. Edwards, Jr.	2057 - 71 <sup>st</sup> Street, Miami Beach, Florida
Tom Kirkham	435 Holt Avenue, Winter Park, Florida
Charles Scott	Box 788, Punta Gorda, Florida
Gerald Thompson	Box 724, Winter Garden, Florida
G. Scott Kitson	Box 765, Fort Lauderdale Florida
Henry Witte, Jr.	Box 187, Fort Myers, Florida
Verne Miller	5328 Crduna Drive, Goral Gables, Florida
A. Harman Jones	1415 West Platt Street, Tampa, Florida
Milo W. Bennett	1826 West Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida

ARTICLE VI  
OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION  
AND THE TIMES AT WHICH THEY WILL BE ELECTED

A. The affairs of the Foundation will be managed by the President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, and a Board of Directors of not less than twenty-five (25) nor more than sixty-five (65) members, and such committees as may be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Board of Directors.

B. The Sub-District Directors shall be elected by the Foundation members of the sub-district at the last Cabinet meeting held in the sub-district before the Multiple District 35 Annual Convention, for the term and in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws of the Foundation, and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified.

C. The Officers shall be elected, as the first order of business, by the Board of Directors at the first meeting following the Annual Membership Meeting for the term and in accordance with the By-Laws of the Foundation, and shall hold office until their successor are elected and qualified.

D. The Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall be appointed by the President, and approved by the Board of Directors, as the second order of business at the first meeting of the Board of Directors following the Annual Membership Meeting, and shall hold such office in accordance with the By-Laws of the Foundation.

ARTICLE VII  
THE NAMES OF THE OFFIERS WHO ARE TO MANAGE  
THE AFFAIRS OF THE COROPRATION

As herein and by the By-Laws provided, the officers who are to manage the affairs of the Corporation until the first annual meeting and election are as follows:

President  
Millar B. Conklin  
204 ½ N. Beach Street  
Daytona Beach, Florida

Second Vice-President  
Ross Witters  
1397 S.E. Tenth Court  
Hialeah, Florida



First Vice-President

Fred J. Morrow  
4001 Liberty North  
Jacksonville, Florida

Secretary

Will H. Wasson  
1533 Catherine Courts  
Jacksonville, Florida

Treasurer

E.L. "Bert" Reames  
Post Office Box 3344  
Daytona Beach, Florida

Board of Directors

Millard B. Conklin	204 ½ N. Beach St., Daytona Beach, Florida
Fred J. Morrow	4001 Liberty North, Jacksonville, Florida
Ross Witters	1397 S.E. Tenth Court, Hialeah, Florida
E.L. "Bert" Reames	Post Office Box 3344, Daytona Beach, Florida
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James D. Boyle	Post Office Box 660, Leesburg, Florida
Robert S. Box	Post Office Box 1249, Pensacola, Florida
W.L. Edwards, Jr.	2057-71 <sup>st</sup> Street, Miami Beach, Florida
Harry Simmons	2535-19 <sup>th</sup> St., S. St. Petersburg, Florida
Alton Boyd	Post Office Box 18, Panama City, Florida
Dr. Nathan S. Rubin	1401 N. Palafox, Pensacola, Florida
William R. Joiner	Alachua, Florida
Hugh Griffin	MacClenny, Florida
Earl Ziebarth	Box 498, Pierson, Florida
George Rast	Leesburg, Florida
Robert Halgrim	c/o Edison Homes, Fort Myers, Florida
Wilfred Robarts	Robarts Funeral Home, Sarasota, Florida
G. Scott Kitson	Box 765, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Leonard Wall	4070 N.W. Sixth Street, Miami, Florida
Julius Gresham	Municipal Airport, Daytona Beach, Florida
David Lundquist	Post Office Box 7398, Orlando, Florida
Marvin Bishop	De Funiak Springs, Florida
Gerald Thompson	Box 724, Winter Garden, Florida
Milo W. Bennett	1826 West Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida

ARTICLE VII  
BY WHOM THE BY-LAWS ARE TO BE MADE,  
ALTERED OR RESCINDED

The By-Laws of the Foundation shall first be adopted by a majority of the Directors of the Corporation at its first meeting following the approval of these Articles of Incorporation by the Circuit Judge as provided by the law. Thereafter, said By-Laws shall be submitted to and adopted by a majority of the Foundation at its Annual Membership Meeting.

ARTICLE IX  
THE HIGHEST AMOUNT OF INDEBTEDNESS OR LIABILITY  
TO WHICH THE CORPORATION MAY AT ANY TIME SUBJECT ITSELF

This Corporation shall not incur or cause to be incurred any indebtedness or liability in excess of fifteen (15%) percent of the annual budget; provided, however, that any such indebtedness or liability shall never be greater than two-thirds ( $2/3$ ) of the value of the property of the Corporation.

ARTICLE X

The amount of real estate which the Corporation may hold shall not exceed the sum of Ten Million (\$10,000,000) Dollars in value.

ARTICLE XI

The Corporation may have a corporate seal, prescribed by, and prepared from, a design approved by the Board of Directors of the Foundation; and the same shall contain thereon the words, "Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind, Inc."

ARTICLE XII

\*This Corporation is not for profit. Upon the dissolution of the organization, 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 a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the organization 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 XIII

The objects and purposes of this Corporation not for profit as set out and provided in and by these Articles of Incorporation shall not be taken as restricted or limited by these Articles or one upon the other, but as independent purposes, and shall include all the objects and purposes of whatever kind, character and description as authorized and provided for corporations not for profit, and as permitted by, through and under the Laws of the State of Florida, now in effect or through and under the Laws of the State of Florida, now in effect or which may hereafter be enacted. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, this Corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (A) a corporation exempt from federal income Tax under Section [501][C][3] of the internal revenue code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future united states internal revenue law of (B) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 [c][2] of the internal revenue code of 1954 or any other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

### ARTICLE XIV

The Charter of this Corporation may be altered, amended or rescinded at any time by resolution, as provided in the By-Laws, which amendment, upon approval by the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, and recorded in the Office of the Secretary of State of Tallahassee, Florida, shall become and be taken as a part of the original Charter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the above named subscribers have hereunto affixed our hands and seals this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.B. 1958.

MILLARD B. CONKLIN (SEAL)	NORMAN SHENK (SEAL)
FRED J. MORROW (SEAL)	WILL H. WASSON (SEAL)

DAVE LUNDQUIST (SEAL)	J.D. BOYDT (SEAL)
E.B. "SUNSHINE" BRANT (SEAL)	ROBERT S. BOX (SEAL)
NATHAN S. RUBIN (SEAL)	W.L. EDWARDS, JR. (SEAL)
E.W. ZIEBARTH (SEAL)	TOM KIRKHAM (SEAL)
FRANK CANELLA (SEAL)	CHARLES SCOTT (SEAL)
E.L. "BERT" REAMES (SEAL)	GERALD B. THOMPSON (SEAL)
HOKE S. JOHNSON (SEAL)	G. SCOTT KITSON (SEAL)
WILFRED ROBARTS (SEAL)	HENRY WITTE, JR. (SEAL)
ALTON BOYD (SEAL)	VERN MILLER (SEAL)
WALTER H. CAMPBELL (SEAL)	A. HARMAN JONES (SEAL)
WILLIAM R. JOINER (SEAL)	MILO W. BENNETT (SEAL)

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF VOLUSIA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned offices, duly authorized to take acknowledgements of Deeds, personally appears MILLARD B. CONKLIN, who, being by me first duly sworn says that he is one of the incorporators and a subscriber to the forging proposed Articles of Incorporation or Charter of FLORIDA LIONS FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND, INC., and that it is intended in good faith to carry out the purposes and objects set forth therein.

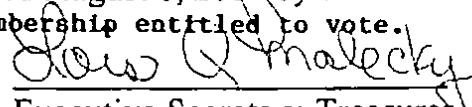
/sgd./ MILLARD B. CONKLIN

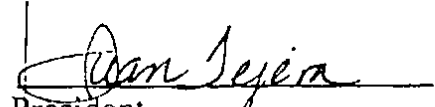
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 1958.

/Sgd./ Helen J. Waide  
Notary Public  
State of At Large

My commission expires: 3/14/61

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and forgoing are the complete Constitution of the Florida Lions Foundation for the Blind, Inc. as amended and adopted August 6, 2017 by the unanimous vote of the Board of Directors. No members or membership entitled to vote.

  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer  
Florida Lions Foundation for  
the Blind, Inc.

  
President  
Florida Lions Foundation for  
the Blind, Inc.