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## MERGER OR SHARE EXCHANGE ABUSE COUNSELING AND TREATMENT, INC.

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# ARTICLES OF MERGER (Not for Profit Corporations)

The following articles of merger are submitted in accordance with the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, pursuant to section 617.1105, Florida Statutes.

First: The name and jurisdiction of the si	irviving corporation:		
<u>Name</u>	Jurisdiction	Document Number (If known/ applicable)	
ABUSE COUNSELING AND TREATMENT, INC.	FLORIDA	744231	
Second: The name and jurisdiction of eac	ch merging corporation:		
<u>Name</u>	Jurisdiction	Document Number (If known/applicable)	
HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS PARTNERSHIPS, INC.	FLORIDA	N0600000\$315	20
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Third: The Plan of Merger is attached.	,		
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## Fifth: ADOPTION OF MERGER BY SURVIVING CORPORATION (COMPLETE ONLY ONE SECTION)

<u>SECTION I</u>
The plan of merger was adopted by the members of the surviving corporation on
The plan of merger was adopted by the members of the surviving corporation on  The number of votes cast for the merger was sufficient for approval and the vote for the plan was as follows:  FORAGAINST
SECTION II  (CHECK IF APPLICABLE) The plan or merger was adopted by written consent of the members and executed in accordance with section 617.0701, Florida Statutes.
SECTION III  There are no members or members entitled to vote on the plan of merger.  The plan of merger was adopted by the board of directors on July 28, 2020 . The number of directors in office was The vote for the plan was as follows: 12
Sixth: ADOPTION OF MERGER BY MERGING CORPORATION(s) (COMPLETE ONLY ONE SECTION)
SECTION I  The plan of merger was adopted by the members of the merging corporation(s) on  The number of votes cast for the merger was sufficient for approval and the vote for the plan was as follows:  FORAGAINST
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SECTION III  There are no members or members entitled to vote on the plan of merger.  The plan of merger was adopted by the board of directors on August 7, 2020 . The number of directors in office was4 . FOR0  AGAINST

## Seventh: SIGNATURES FOR EACH CORPORATION

Name of Corporation	Signature of the chalmnand vice chalman of the board	Typed or Printed Name of Individual & Tille
ABUSE COUNSELING AND TREATMENT, INC.	or aprofficed	HEATHER LANGDALE, PRESIDENT
HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS PARTNERSHIPS, INC.	Julia Soft	JUDY LANGLEY, PRESIDENT

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#### **PLAN OF MERGER**

The following plan of merger is submitted in compliance with Section 617.1101, Florida Statutes and in accordance with the laws of any other applicable jurisdiction of incorporation.

- 1. <u>Surviving Corporation</u>. The name and jurisdiction of the surviving corporation is Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc., a Florida not for profit corporation ("ACT"). ACT is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and is not a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code. ACT's purposes, as set forth in its Bylaws is, generally and primarily concerned with victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families without regard to race, color, creed, ethnic or national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, handicap, or marital status. ACT also routinely cooperates with other organizations, corporations, entities, groups and agencies concerned with victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families and survivors of human trafficking.
- 2. Merging Corporation. The name and jurisdiction of the merging corporation is Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships, Inc., a Florida not for profit corporation ("HTAP"), HTAP is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, and is not a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code. HTAP's purpose, as set forth in its Bylaws, is to: (1) assist communities in establishing local cooperative coalitions, working groups or task forces with law enforcement agencies, service providers, community and faith-based groups, individuals and media to bring the issue of human trafficking to the forefront of public consciousness, developing working and supportive relationships among all parties to "identify, rescue and restore" victims in the communities; (2) to create an alliance of community coalitions regionally, nationally and internationally by bringing together individual groups and existing networks and to support and encourage education and research in the area of human trafficking; and, (3) to disseminate that information and for the HTAP to exercise all right, privileges and powers and have the benefit of all immunities as may be given to or enjoyed by, not for profit corporations organized under the Florida Not For Profit Corporations Act.
- 3. <u>Purpose of Merger</u>. Given the symbiotic nature of the entities' purposes, ACT and HTAP (collectively, the "Organizations" and Individually, an "Organization") have decided to merge into one entity in order to consolidate their charitable efforts, reduce the total administrative costs of operating the Organizations, and generally to operate more efficiently.
- 4. Terms and Conditions. The terms and conditions of the merger are as follows:
  - (a) <u>Merger</u>. In accordance with the provisions of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, HTAP shall merge with and into ACT (the "Merger"), the separate existence of HTAP shall cease, and ACT shall survive the Merger and continue to exist as the surviving entity (the "Surviving Entity").

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- (b) <u>Effective Date</u>. The Merger shall become effective on the date the Articles of Merger and Plan of Merger are filed with the Florida Department of State (the "Effective Date").
- (c) <u>Effect of Merger</u>. The Merger shall have the effect set forth in the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.
- (d) <u>Board of Directors</u>. The members of the Board of Directors of the Surviving Entity shall be as follows:

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- (e) Officers. The officers of the Surviving Entity, in office immediately prior to the Effective Date, shall continue to be the officers of the Surviving Entity after the Merger and shall hold office in accordance with the Bylaws of the Surviving Entity.
- (f) <u>Assets and Llabilities</u>. The Surviving Entity shall assume all of the assets and liabilities of the Merging Corporation, as of the Effective Date.
- (g) <u>ARTREACH Project</u>. The Surviving Entity shall continue to develop and establish policies and procedures for the continued promotion and sustainability of the ARTREACH Project ("Project"), which was previously developed by the Merging Corporation, as long as, such Project is practically feasible to be sustained by the Surviving Entity.
- 5. <u>Approval</u>. This Plan of Merger has been approved by: (i) a majority of the Board of Directors of ACT on July 28, 2020, with twelve (12) number of directors voting in favor, and zero (0) number of directors voting against; and, (ii) a majority of the Board of Directors of HTAP, on August 7, 2020, with four (4) number of directors voting in favor, and zero (0) number of directors voting against.

This Plan of Merger may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original instrument, and said counterparts shall constitute but one and the same instrument which may be sufficiently evidenced by one counterpart. Facsimile copies of executed documents or executed documents sent as a PDF attachment to an e-mail transmission, shall be deemed originals for all purposes.

The undersigned have caused this Plan of Merger to be made and entered into as of this 175 day of 2000, 2020.

### Surviving Corporation:

Abuse Counseling and Treatment,

Inc.

Pfint Name: Heather Langdale

Title: President

## Merging Corporation:

Human Trafficking Awareness

Partnerships, Inc.

Print Marne: Judy Langley

Title: President