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August 23, 2023

Division of Corporations New Filing Section P.O. Box 6327 The Centre of Tallahassee Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Cover letter for filing Articles of Organization for Penitent Thief Transportation LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company and designation of Registered Agent

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The undersigned is legal counsel for Penitent Thief Transportation LLC and in that capacity is filing the attached Articles of Organization for Penitent Thief Transportation LLC and designation of Registered Agenet with an effective date of August 1, 2023

Also enclosed with this letter is a check in the amount of \$125 for the filing fee and designation of registered agent.

You may address any questions about this filing to the undersigned at the phone number, address and email above.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Cleators J. Simmons

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PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC

A Florida Limited Liability Company

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

ARTICLE I <u>NAME</u>

1.01 Name

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The name of this company shall be PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC. The business of the company may be conducted as or Penitent Thief Transportation.

ARTICLE II ADDRESS OF THE COMPANY

2.01 Company Address

The principal address of the company is:

PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC. c/o Paul Del Favero 6927 Alpert Drive Orlando, FL 32810

The mailing address of the company is:

PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION c/o Paul Del Favero 6927 Alpert Drive Orlando, FL 32810

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ARTICLE III <u>APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT</u>

3.01 Registered Agent

The registered agent of the company shall be:

Cleatous J. Simmons 116 Worthington Court

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Winter Park, FL

ARTICLE IV **ORGANIZER**

The organizer of the company is as follow:

THE PENITENT THIEF, INC., a Florida Limited Liability Company

ARTICLE V EFFECTIVE DATE

5.01 Effective Date

The effective date of of organization of this company shall be August 1, 2023.

ARTICLE VI **BOARD OF MANAGERS**

6.01 Governance

 PENITENT THIEF TRASPORTATION LLC shall be governed by a board of managers who are, to be appointed by THE PENITENT THIEF, INC.
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ARTICLE VII MEMBERSHIP

7.01 Membership

The only member of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC shall be The Penitent Thief. Inc., a Florida limited liability company. The management of the affairs of the company shall be vested in a board of managers as defined in this Article of Organization or the Operating Agreement of the company.

ARTICLE VIII DURATION

8.01 Duration

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The duration of the company shall be perpetual but only for so long as The Penitent Thief. Inc., the sole member of this company is in existence and is a 501(c)(3) qualified organization.

ARTICLE IX PURPOSE

9.01 Purpose

PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC is a non-profit company and shall operate exclusively for educational, charitable and religious purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future Federal tax code. The purpose of PENITENT THEF TRANSPORTATION LLC, shall be to provide services to THE PENITENT THEF, INC, in support of its mission to prepare persons who are incarcerated to leave incarceration and thereafter assist them in successfully transitioning back into society following their incarceration. PENITENT THEF TRANSPORTATION LLC's primary purpose will be to provide transportation for returning citizens to enable them to meet the conditions of their release such as visiting parole officers, and to attend training programs intended to provide them with skills and training to make them successful in society and to get and keep employment. The goal is to assist persons enrolled in the programs of THE PENITENT THIEF, INC, to successfully make the transition into society and become self-sufficient.

9.02 Non-Profit

PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC will operate as if it were designated as an onprofit corporation under IRS Code Section 501(c)(3), and to fully support the non-profit and charitable activities of THE PENITENT THIEF, INC.

ARTICLE X NON-PROFIT NATURE

10.01 Non-profit Nature

PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. No part of the net earnings of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC shall inure to the benefit of, cr be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the company 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 in the purpose clause hereof.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the company shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by any organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, 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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PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC is not organized and shall not be operated for the private gain of any person. The property of the company is irrevocably dedicated to its educational and charitable purposes. No part of the assets, receipts, or net earnings of the company shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, any individual. The company may, however, pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make other payments and distributions consistent with these Articles and for a fair price.

10.02 Personal Liability

No officer or director of this company shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property or assets of the officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this company.

10.03 Dissolution

Upon termination or dissolution of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC any assets lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed first to THE PENITENT THIEF, INC., if but only if it is a 501(c)(3) qualified organization at the time of distribution, and if not to THE PENITENT THIEF, INC, then to one (1) or more qualifying organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or described in any corresponding provision of any successor statute) which organization or organizations have a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the terminating or dissolving company.

The organization to receive the assets of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC hereunder shall be selected by the discretion of a majority of the managing body of THE PENITENT THIEF. INC. and if its members cannot so agree, then the recipient organization shall be selected pursuant to a verified petition filed in a court of proper jurisdiction in the state of organization of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC against PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC by one (1) or more of the managing body of THE PENITENT THIEF. INC., which verified petition shall contain such statements as reasonably indicate the applicability of this section. The court upon a finding that this section is applicable shall select the qualifying organization or organizations to receive the assets to be distributed, giving preference if practicable to organizations located within the State of Florida.

In the event that the court shall find that this section is applicable but that there is no qualifying organization known to it which has a charitable purpose, which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to this company, then the court shall direct the distribution of its assets lawfully available for distribution to the Treasurer of the State of Florida to be added to the general fund.

10.04 Prohibited Distributions

No part of the net earnings or properties of this company, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers or other private person or individual, except that the company shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the

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purposes of THE PENTITENT THIEF, INC. Distributions may be made to third parties who are not 501(c)(3) qualified organizations but only in return for payment of fair market thereof.

10.05 Restricted Activities

No substantial part of the company's activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the company shall not participate in, or intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

10.06 Prohibited Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the company shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be earried on (1) by a company exempt from federal income tax as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (11) by an entity, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS

11.01 Amendments

Any amendment to the Articles of Organization may be adopted by approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the board of managers, but subject in any event to the restriction on amendments set out in the Operating Agreement of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above stated Articles of Organization of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC were approved by the President of The Penitent Thief, Inc. sole member of the company who is the sole manager of the company on August 1, 2023 and constitute a complete copy of Articles of Organization of PENITENT THIEF TRANSPORTATION LLC

NAME OF PRESIDENT / MANAGER	SIGNATURE
PAUL DEL FAVERO	Band Do James 0
PRINT NAME: PAUL DEL FAVERO	SIGN NAME:

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

I. Cleatous Simmons, agree to be the registered agent for PENITENT THEF TRANSPORTATION LLC as appointed herein.

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Cleatous Simmons. Registered Agent

Date: August 1, 2023

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