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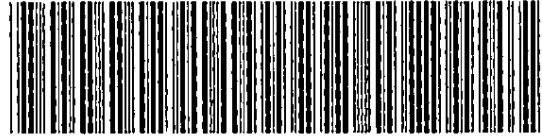
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The enclosed Articles of Organization and fee(s) are submitted for filing.

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Mark B. Johnson, Esq.

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**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION  
OF  
CASA MARION, LLC**

The undersigned, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 605, Florida Statutes (the "Florida Revised Limited Liability Company Act"), for the purpose of forming a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Florida does set forth the following:

**ARTICLE I  
NAME**

The name of the Company is CASA Marion, LLC (the "Company").

**ARTICLE II  
DURATION**

The period of duration of the Company shall be from the date of filing of its Articles of Organization until the first to occur of the following:

- (i) Dissolution of the Company pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Revised Limited Liability Company Act; or
- (ii) By resolution of the Member (or, if the Company has admitted a new or additional member, by the mutual written agreement of the members holding a majority of the total outstanding membership interests in the Company); or
- (iii) As provided for in a written Operating Agreement (the "Operating Agreement") executed by the member(s) of the Company.

**ARTICLE III  
MANAGEMENT**

1. Management. The management of the Company shall be by its member, Community Action Stops Abuse, Inc, a Florida not-for-profit corporation (the "Member"). The Member may appoint one or more managers and/or an advisory board to manage and oversee the day-to-day operations of the Company. If appointed, any such managers and advisory board shall have only the powers and authority expressly provided for under a written Operating Agreement or specific resolutions adopted and signed by the Member.

## ARTICLE IV EXEMPT STATUS

1. Exempt Purpose. The Company is formed exclusively for the support of the Member in furthering the Member's charitable, scientific and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("I.R.C."). The Company shall accomplish such purpose by providing services for victims/survivors of domestic violence and their children, including shelter, basic living needs, advocacy, counseling, information and referral, crisis intervention, supervised visitation, transitional housing, community education, prevention, early intervention and other related supportive services in Marion County, Florida. It has not been formed for pecuniary profit or financial gain, and no part of the assets, income, or profit of the Company is distributable to, or shall inure to the benefit of, any private person or entity except to the extent permitted under I.R.C. Section 501, et seq.

2. No Private Inurement. No part of the net earnings of the Company shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to any person or entity that is not an organization exempt from tax under I.R.C. Section 501(c)(3) or a governmental entity; provided, however, that the Company is authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered by any persons or entities and to make payments and enter into transactions for fair and just consideration and in furtherance of its purposes as set forth in this Article IV.

3. Limitations on Activities. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Organization, the Company shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an entity exempt from federal income tax under I.R.C. Section 501(c)(3) or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, or (b) by an entity to which contributions are deductible under I.R.C. Section 170(c)(2) or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

## ARTICLE V SCOPE OF ACTIVITY

The Company shall have the power, either directly or indirectly, either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, to do any and all lawful acts and things and to engage in any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, suitable, desirable, or proper for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attainment of any or all of the charitable, scientific and/or educational purposes for which the Company is organized, and to aid or assist the Member and other organizations whose activities are such as to further accomplish, foster, or attain any of such purposes. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company shall exercise only such powers as are in furtherance of the exempt purposes of organizations set forth in I.R.C. Section 501(c) and the regulations thereunder as the same now exist or as they may be hereafter amended from time to time.

**ARTICLE VI**  
**PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES**

No part of the activities of the Company shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or participating in, or intervening in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

**ARTICLE VII**  
**PLACE OF OPERATION**

The initial principal business office of the Company shall be located at 1019 Arlington Avenue N St. Petersburg, FL 33705. The Company may designate a different principal place of business without amending these Articles of Organization.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE**

The initial Registered Agent of the Company shall be Lariana Forsythe. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any notice required by law is 1019 Arlington Avenue N. St. Petersburg, FL 33705.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**DISSOLUTION AND TERMINATION**

Upon the dissolution of the Company, the Member shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the costs of dissolving and winding up the business of the Company and all just debts and liabilities of the Company, distribute all of the remaining assets of the Company (i) to the Member, and/or (ii) at the direction of the Company, to organizations which qualify as an organization described in I.R.C. Section 501(c)(3) and actively support victims of domestic violence in Marion County, Florida. An organization shall be deemed to be a "qualified" organization for the purpose of this Article IX only if at the time of the distribution of such assets it is operated exclusively for the purposes described in I.R.C. Sections 170(c)(2)(B) and 501(c)(3).

When all of the acts provided for in this Article IX have been accomplished, the member(s) shall file such Articles of Dissolution and any other certificate required in the State of Florida and in any other state that may be required by law.

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**ARTICLE X**  
**AMENDMENT**

The Company reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Organization or any amendment to them, and all rights and privileges conferred upon the members, directors and officers are subject to this reservation. The Articles of Organization of the Company may be amended only upon written action of the Member.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**INDEMNIFICATION**

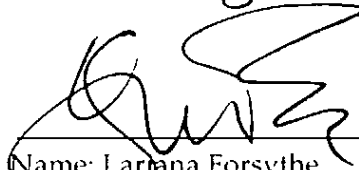
The Company shall fully indemnify the Member, the members of any advisory board, and each manager of the Company, including former advisory board members and former managers, to the full extent permitted by the laws of the State of Florida. The form and content of the indemnification shall be set forth in greater detail in the Operating Agreement but shall never be less than the full extent permitted by the laws of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE XII**  
**ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS, DEVISES AND BEQUESTS;  
APPLICATION THEREOF**

The Member or manager of the Company may accept on behalf of the Company any designated grant, contribution, gift or devise consistent with the general purposes of the Company. Where consistent with the needs of the Company designated contributions by donors will be accepted and designations honored as to special funds, purposes or uses. The Company shall at all times reserve all rights over, interest in and control of such contributions in its full discretion as to the ultimate expenditure or distribution of the contribution in satisfaction of any specified fund, purpose or use. The Company shall, at all times, have full control over all donated funds and discretion as to their use so as to ensure that all contributions will be used to carry out its purposes as set out in Article IV. In the event the Company shall be beneficiary of any gift, devise or bequest, subject to conditions subsequent with respect to the administration or alienation of said property, the Company shall, at all times, act in a manner consistent with such conditions and the purposes to be served by such conditions.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Authorized Representative of the Member has executed these Articles of Organization this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

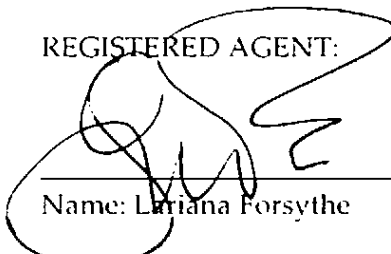
  
Name: Lariana Forsythe  
Authorized Representative

**ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT**

Having been appointed the registered agent of CASA Marion, LLC, the undersigned accepts such appointment, agrees to act in such capacity, and accepts the obligations proposed by Florida Statutes section 605.0113 and is herewith simultaneously designated as registered agent of CASA Marion, LLC.

Executed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

REGISTERED AGENT:

  
Name: Lariana Forsythe

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