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TRI-COUNTY K-9 SEARCH TEAM 2120 N.E. VAN LOON TERRACE CAPE CORAL, FL 33909

January 24, 2000 ____

Florida Department of State Divison of Corporation Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

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RE: Tri-County K-9_Search Unit
Not for profit_corporation status_

To Whom It May Concern:

Please, find enclosed the Tri-County K-9 Search Team Articles of Incorporation. Also, enclosed is our check for \$70.00 for the filing fee and the designation of registered agent.

If you any questions concerning the above, please call me at my work number - 1-941-338-2140.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Kersey, Co-Director

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR

TRI-COUNTY K-9 SEARCH TEAM , In C.

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation pursuant to chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: TRI-COUNTY K-9 SEARCH TEAM, INC.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS / MAILING ADDRESS

The principal place of business and the mailing address of this corporation shall:

2120 N.E. Van Loon Terrace Cape Coral, Florida 33909

ARTICLE III PURPOSE(S)

The specific purpose(s) for which the corporation is organized is (are):

- A. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively charitable and educational within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- B. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- C. The corporation will establish training and educational programs aimed at improving the standards and performance of search and rescue, along with supporting local governing agencies in an all volunteer manpower service, arising out of natural and man made disasters and emergency situations.
- D. Upon 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 of 1986, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal, state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction, in the county in which the principal office to the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is as follows:

The two (2) co-directors, the secretary, the treasurer, and the training coordinator will be elected by a majority vote of the voting membership. The Board shall be nominated by and approved by a majority vote of the voting membership within thirty days of the nominations.

ARTICLE V LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS

The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in section 617.0302, Florida Statutes, unless limited as follows: N/A

ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

Lee Kersey, 2120 N.E. Van Loon Terrace, Cape Coral, Florida 33909

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATORS

The name(s) and street address(es) of the Incorporator(s) for these Articles of Incorporation is (are):

Lee Kersey Co-Director 2120 N.E. Van Loon Terrace, Cape Coral, FL33909
Susan Griffith Co-Director 2458 Dando Street, Port Charlotte, FL 33948
Andrea Taylor Secretary 4015 S.W. 29th Ave., Cape Coral, FL 33914
Charles Kersey Treasurer 2120 N.E. Van Loon Terrace, Cape Coral, FL33909
Joe Canfield Training Coordinator 8420 Bessmer Ave., North Port, FL 34287

The undersigned Incorporator(s) has(have) executed these Articles of Incorporation this 21st day of January _____, 2000.

Signature(s) of the Incorporator(s):

Lee Kersey
Typed name of Incorporator signing

Susan Caldwell Griffith
Typed name of Incorporator signing

Andrea Taylor
Typed name of Incorporator signing

Charlie Kersey
Typed name of Incorporator signing

Joe Canfield
Typed name of Incorporator signing

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 607.0501 or 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida.

- 1. The name of the corporation is: TRI-COUNTY K-9 SEARCH TEAM, INC.
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

LEE KERSEY 2120 N.E. VAN LOON TERRACE CAPE CORAL, FLORIDA 33909



HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATING TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE OBLIGATIONS OF MY POSITION AS REGISTERED AGENT.

SIGNATURE <u>Les Kersey</u>

DATE 1-21-2000