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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**OF**

**PUBLIC SERVICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE, INC.,**

**a Florida Corporation Not-For-Profit**

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of this Corporation shall be PUBLIC SERVICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE, INC.

**ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES**

The objectives and purposes for which the Corporation is organized are as follows:

1. To operate as a corporation not-for-profit pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

2. To create an organized, competitive athletic league comprised of law enforcement officers, fire-fighters, military police, emergency medical personnel and public safety employees employed in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

3. To promote the spirit of benevolence, camaraderie, friendship, sportsmanship and goodwill among the league participants and the community at large.

4. To foster, encourage, and instill in the youth of the community a spirit of respect and discipline toward the law and a sense of high moral and civic standards.

5. To promote public safety in general and to engender a positive image of public

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safety departments and public safety personnel to the community at large.

6. To build an organization to raise funds through athletic competition among law enforcement officers, fire-fighters, military police, emergency medical personnel and public safety employees for the purpose of establishing and funding scholarships for the benefit of the youth of the community and for the purpose of distributing funds to charity.

7. Generally, to have and exercise all rights and powers conferred on non-profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida, or which may hereafter be conferred on non-profit corporations.

8. Notwithstanding any of the above statements of purposes or powers, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purposes of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

The qualifications for members and the manner of their admission to membership shall be regulated by the by-laws for this Corporation. Any person who has an interest in the promulgation and furtherance of the objectives and purposes of the Corporation, as set forth above, may apply for membership. No person, otherwise eligible for membership, shall be denied membership in the Public Service Athletic League because of race, sex, religion, disability, nationality, or other lawfully recognized class. Membership shall be divided into the following classes: (1) Participating; (2) General; (3) Honorary; and (4) Corporate.

1. Participating membership shall be limited to those individuals who are law enforcement officers, fire-fighters, military police, emergency medical personnel or public safety employees employed in Miami-Dade County, Florida. No other members or individuals may participate in the athletic competition.

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2. General membership shall consist of persons of good moral character who have a sincere interest in the Corporation and its members and who have an interest in the promulgation and furtherance of the Corporation's objectives and purposes.
3. Honorary membership shall consist of any persons who have performed outstanding service to the Corporation upon a majority vote of the Board of Directors.
4. Corporate membership shall consist of any company, corporation, business entity, organization, or person that contributes annually the sum of the \$1,000.00 or more to the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE IV - TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation shall exist perpetually unless sooner dissolved by law.

#### ARTICLE V - INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator of this Corporation is:

Officer George Varon  
6693 Collins Avenue  
Miami Beach, Florida 33141

#### ARTICLE VI - DIRECTORS

1. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors which shall initially consist of three (3) directors, but which number may be either increased from time to time by the By-Laws of the Corporation but which number shall never be less than three (3). The By-Laws shall provide for the method of election and the method of determining the number of directors.

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2. The names and addresses of the initial directors, who shall hold office until their successors are appointed or elected, are as follows:

Officer. George Varon  
6693 Collins Ave.  
Miami Beach, FL 33141

Officer Peter Cruz  
700 N.E. 124<sup>th</sup> St.  
N. Miami, FL 33161

Officer Robert Knight  
2105 Keystone Blvd.  
N. Miami, FL 33181

#### ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and such other officers as the Board of Directors may from time to time by resolution create. The officers shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors, and the By-Laws may provide for the removal from office of officers, for filling vacancies, and for the duties of the officers. The names of the officers who shall initially serve until their successors are designated by the Board of Directors are as follows:

President-	Officer George Varon
Vice Pres.-	Officer Peter Cruz
Sec./Treas.-	Officer Robert Knight

#### ARTICLE VIII - INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any person who was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, pending or contemplated action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, employee, officer or agent of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE IX - BY-LAWS

The first By-Laws shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be altered, amended or rescinded at any time by the directors in the manner provided by the By-Laws.

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**ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS**

These Articles may be amended, in whole or in part, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at any regular meeting or special meeting called for such purpose.

**ARTICLE XI - INITIAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND INCORPORATOR**

The address of the corporation's initial principal office and mailing address shall be 6693 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, Florida 33141. The name of the incorporator signing these Articles of Incorporation is George Varon.

**ARTICLE XII - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT**

The initial registered office of the corporation shall be 913 Normandy Drive, Miami Beach, Florida 33141. The initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is Eric P. Stein, Esq.

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated herein, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of Florida law in connection thereto.

  
ERIC P. STEIN, ESQ.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned, being the incorporator hereinabove named, for the purpose of forming this not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation on this 21 day of July, 2000.

  
GEORGE VARON, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA }  
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE }

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared GEORGE VARON who is personally known to me, and who is described in and who has executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation this 21 day of July, 2000.

My commission expires:

  
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Eric P. Stein  
My Commission CC#08000  
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