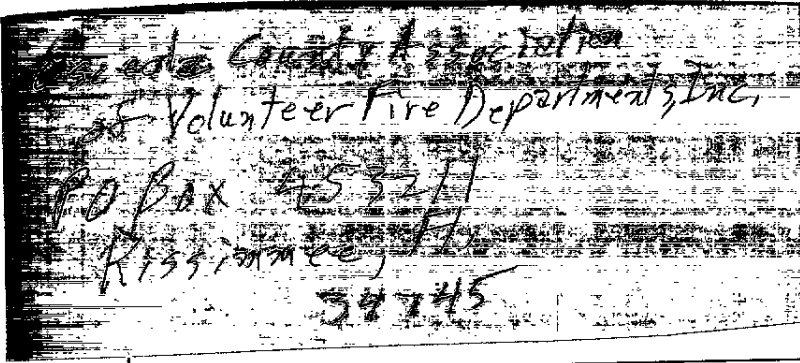


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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
OSCEOLA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS,
INC.
(A Corporation Not for Profit)**

We, the undersigned persons, being desirous of forming a non-profit corporation organized solely for charitable and educational purposes under provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do agree to the following:

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of this corporation is: OSCEOLA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS, INC.

**ARTICLE II
PURPOSE**

The general nature of the objectives and purposes of this corporation shall be:

- (1) To assist the Osceola County Florida Volunteer Fire Departments in providing emergency fire and rescue services to the citizens of the local community of Osceola County in the State of Florida.
- (2) To monitor the collection and distribution of moneys for development, maintenance, and training of personnel, equipment, and facilities necessary to its purpose.
- (3) To accept grants, gifts and bequests to support its purpose.
- (4) To do such other things as may be desirable for the promotion of its purpose and to improve public awareness of the services and training available.
- (5) Generally, to operate exclusively for such charitable and educational purposes as will qualify this corporation as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (3) and 509 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code as amended or changed from time to time, including the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as tax-exempt organization under the Code.
- (6) To carry on any business whatever that the corporation may deem proper or convenient and to have and to exercise all powers conferred by the laws pursuant to which this corporation is formed, as such laws are now in effect or may at any time hereafter be amended.

The foregoing statement of purpose shall be construed liberally.

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ARTICLE III
QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The membership of this corporation shall constitute all organizations hereinafter named as subscribers and such other persons as from time to time hereafter may become members, in the manner provided by the by-laws. All organizations directly or indirectly providing volunteer emergency fire and rescue services to the citizens of the local community of Osceola County in the State of Florida will be encouraged to join and participate in this organization.

ARTICLE IV
TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE V
OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided by the by-laws.

Section 2. The names of the persons who are to serve as officers of the corporation are:

President	Madison W. Lowry, Jr.
Vice President	Kenneth J. Berwanger
Secretary	Robert J. Wehr
Treasurer	Patricia Martinez

ARTICLE VI
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The business affairs of this corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors. This corporation shall have four (4) Directors initially. The number of Directors may be increased from time to time, by by-law amendment, but shall never be less than four (4).

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be members of the corporation.

Section 3. Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the by-laws.

Section 4. The names and addresses of the initial Board of Directors who are to serve as Directors for the ensuing year, or until the first annual meeting of the corporation, are listed in ATTACHMENT A.

Section 5. The Board of Directors of this corporation may provide such by-laws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they may deem necessary from time to time, and upon proper notice the by-laws may be amended, altered or rescinded by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE VII
NON PROFIT STATUS

Section 1. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual or member.

Section 2. The corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry on propaganda, or otherwise act to influence legislation. Nor shall it intervene or participate in any manner in political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE VIII
POWERS

In order to promote the purposes of this corporation, it may acquire property by grant, gift, purchase, devise of bequest, and hold and dispose of such property as the corporation shall require for the benefit of the members and for pecuniary profit. The corporation shall also be empowered to employ or retain agents, employees or independent contractors to serve its lawful objectives.

ARTICLE IX
MEETINGS

The annual meeting for the election of members of the Board of Directors shall be in accordance with the by-laws of OSCEOLA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS, INC.

ARTICLE X
DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

No person, firm or corporation shall ever receive any income, dividends or profits from the undertakings of this corporation. Upon dissolution of this organization, all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to organizations which have qualified for exemption under Section 501 (c) (3) and Section 509 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the Federal Government, or to a State or local government, for a public purpose. None of the income or assets will be distributed to any officer or trustee of this corporation. The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to the uses and purposes as herein set forth.

ARTICLE XI
AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors at a meeting called for that purpose.

Section 2. Amendments may also be made, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership, at a regular or special meeting of the membership upon notice given, as provided in the by-laws, on intention to submit such amendment.

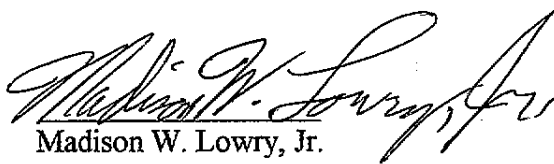
ARTICLE XII
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The location of the principal office of this corporation shall be at PO Box 453211, Kissimmee, Fl. 34745; and the initial Registered Agent . . . is Madison W. Lowry, Jr.

ARTICLE XIII
INCORPORATION

The name and address of the individual signing these articles is: Madison W. Lowry, Jr., 4884 Meadow Dr., St. Cloud, Fl. 34772

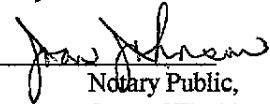
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned subscribing incorporator, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 14 day of Sept, 2000, for the purpose of forming this corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

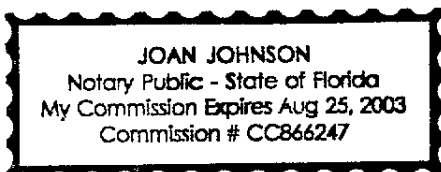

Madison W. Lowry, Jr.
Incorporator & Registered Agent

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State And County named above to Take acknowledgments, personally appeared Before Me as Incorporator and Registered Agent to me known to be the person described as subscriber in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand and office seal in the County and State named above this 14 day of Sept, 2000.

My commission expires: _____


Notary Public,
State of Florida at Large



The following is the attachment page for the Non-Profit Articles of Incorporation, OSCEOLA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS, INC., for the addresses of the directors/officers.

President: Madison W. Lowry, Jr.
4884 Meadow Dr.
St. Cloud, Fl 34772

Vice President: Kenneth J. Berwanger
118 Bianca Ct.
Kissimmee, Fl 34758

Secretary: Robert J. Wehr
1902 Penfield St.
Kissinnee, Fl 34741

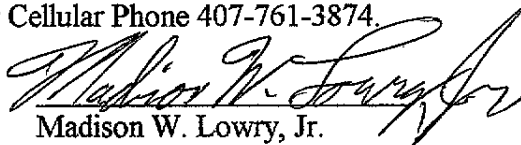
Treasurer: Patricia Martinez
9053 Lincoln Rd.
St. Cloud, Fl 34773

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ATTACHMENT A

To Whom It May Concern,

I, Madison W. Lowry, Jr., am familiar with and hereby accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent for Osceola County Association of Volunteer Fire Departments, Inc. I am available at: 4884 Meadow Dr., St. Cloud, Fl. 34772 or by phone at 407-892-7892 or Cellular Phone 407-761-3874.


Madison W. Lowry, Jr.
Incorporator & Registered Agent