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RE: Incorporation of RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES, INC.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith please find the original Articles of Incorporation for the afore named not-for-profit corporation. In addition you will find this firm's check in the amount of \$78.75.

After the same have been filed, please furnish the Certified Copy of the Articles to the undersigned.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
Robert J. Gorman

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**Articles of Incorporation of  
RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES, INC.  
(A Not For Profit Corporation)**

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation under Florida Statute Chapters 617, do hereby make and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the Corporation is RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES, INC.

**ARTICLE II**

The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

**ARTICLE III**

The Corporation is a Non-Profit Corporation under the laws of the state of Florida. The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit. No part of the income or assets of the Corporation is distributable to or for the benefit of the members, directors, or officers, except to the extent permissible under law.

**ARTICLE IV**

The Corporation is organized, and shall be operated exclusively to provide or subsidize residential housing, food and similar necessities for individuals who are receiving or undergoing counseling for addiction or substance abuse, relating to drugs, prescription, non-prescription or otherwise, alcohol or any other substance, who show a financial need for such assistance or subsidy based on criteria to be established by the Corporation.

**ARTICLE V**

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to any of its members, directors, or officers, but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes as set forth in Article IV hereof.

**ARTICLE VI**

The Corporation shall have voting members who shall be elected (and may be removed) by the voting members and shall have all the rights and privileges as the members of the

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Corporation. The bylaws may provide for non-voting members of one or more classes who shall be admitted in such manner and who shall have the rights and privileges as are set forth in the bylaws, but who shall not have the right to vote. The name and address of each initial voting member is as follows:

#### **ARTICLE VII**

The street address of the initial registered agent of the Corporation is 1209 Delaware Avenue, Fort Pierce, FL 34950, and the name of its initial registered agent at that address is Robert J. Gorman. **The corporations principal address is the same.**

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

The management of the Corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is three. The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the bylaws, but shall never be less than one. The voting members shall elect the Directors annually. The name and address of each individual Director for the Corporation is as follows: John F. Turner, 606 North U. S. Highway #1, Fort Pierce, Florida 34950; Karen L. Crisafulle, 606 North U. S. Highway #1, Fort Pierce, Florida 34950; and Robert J. Bongard, 606 North U. S. Highway #1, Fort Pierce, Florida 34950.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

The Officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officers and assistant officers as may be provided in the bylaws. Each Officer shall be elected by the Board of Directors (and may be removed by the Board of Directors) at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the bylaws. The name and address of each initial Officer of the Corporation is as follows:

*John F. Turner-President      Karen L. Crisafulle-Secretary      Robert Bongard-Treasurer*

#### **ARTICLE X**

The name and address of the Incorporator is as follows: Robert J. Gorman, Esquire, 1209 Delaware Avenue, Fort Pierce, FL 34950.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

The bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the Board of Directors, and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the Board of Directors

**ARTICLE XII**

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Corporation 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 Incorporation may be amended in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the state of Florida, as amended from time to time, unless more specific provisions or amendments are adopted by the Corporation pursuant to law.

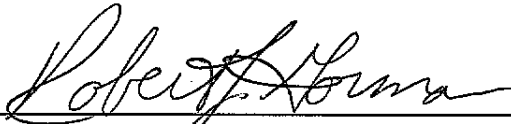
**ARTICLE XIII**

This Corporation is organized on a nonstock basis. The Corporation shall not issue shares of stock, but may issue certificates of membership.

**ARTICLE XIV**

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Section 501 (c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1996 or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the Federal, State, or Local Government for exclusive public purpose.

In witness whereof, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2000.

  
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Robert J. Gorman, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF ST. LUCIE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared ROBERT J. GORMAN, who is ☐ personally known to me or has ☐ produced \_\_\_\_\_ drivers license as identification.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2000.

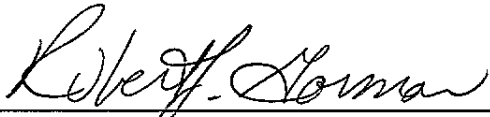
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My Commission Expires:

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Notary Public

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF  
REGISTERED AGENT**

The undersigned, having been named as the Registered Agent for Residential Assistance Services, Inc., and as agent to accept service of process of such corporation, at the place designated in Article VI, does hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agrees to comply with the provisions of the Florida Not for Profit Corporations Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, relative to keeping the registered office of said corporation open.

  
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Robert J. Gorman