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SUBJECT: VETERANS HELPING HAND, INC
(Proposed Corporate Name)

Enclosed are an original and two copies of the articles of incorporation and a check for \$87.50 for the (i) Corporate Filing fee, (ii) Designation of Registered Agent, (iii) Certified Copy of articles and (iv) Certificate of Status.

FROM: R. M. Stone
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NOTE: It was not clear if one or two additional copies of the articles of incorporation are required so to be on the safe side, three total copies are enclosed.



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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

VETERANS HELPING HAND, INC.

ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

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

Veterans Helping Hand, Inc.
13140 Burningtree Ave.
Fort Myers, Florida 33919

or such other address as may, from time to time, be established by the Board of Directors pursuant to the By-laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are as follows:

1. Assisting all veterans of the Armed Services of the United States, their widows or orphans of deceased veterans;
2. Providing entertainment, care and assistance to sick, injured or ill veterans of the Armed Services of the United States;
3. Providing temporary housing, not to exceed two years, for a homeless veteran or a veteran denied housing for reasons beyond his reasonable control;
4. Conducting programs for religious, charitable, educational and job training for veterans who request such services;
5. Sponsoring or participating in patriotic activities;
6. Perpetuating the memory of veterans and comforting their survivors;
7. Providing specific assistance in obtaining medical, other benefits provided by State or Federal laws and compensation for service related medical or mental injury or illness;
8. Providing social and recreational activities for members; and
9. Conducting fund raising activities to support and pay for the activities of the corporation.

The corporation shall be a NOT FOR PROFIT corporation.

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**ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MANNER OF ELECTION**

The initial Board of Directors, as set forth in Article V herein below, shall serve until a new Board is elected in accordance with the following:

Directors for the Board of Directors shall be elected by the members of the corporation at their annual meeting held on the second Wednesday of January of each succeeding year. A simple majority vote of the members present is required for election.

ARTICLE V - INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The initial Directors and Officers of the corporation shall be as follows:

- (1) **R. M. Stone** **Director and President**
13140 Burningtree Ave.
Ft. Myers, FL 33919
- (2) **Warren York** **Director, Vice President and Secretary**
1334 Old Bridge Rd.
No. Ft. Myers, FL 33917
- (3) **Dale E. Thomas** **Director, Vice President and Treasurer**
716 Karlof St.
Ft. Myers, FL 33916

Additional directors and officers may be established in accordance with the By-laws of the corporation. No director or officer shall be paid a salary or wages for serving in such offices

ARTICLE VI - REGISTERED AGENT

The initial Registered Agent of the corporation for Florida is:

R. M. Stone
13140 Burningtree Ave.
Ft. Myers, FL 33919

The Registered Agent shall serve until replaced by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

**R. M. Stone
13140 Burningtrees Ave.
Ft. Myers, FL 33919**

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Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

R M Stone
Signature of Registered Agent - R. M. Stone

10-21-00
Date

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Signature of Incorporator - R. M. Stone

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