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Department of State
Division of Corporations
PO Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Gentlemen

Please find the following attached:
Transmittal Letter
Original and 1 copy of Articles of Incorporation
Personal check in the amount of 87.50

Please provide me with a Certificate of Status and a Certified Copy as indicated on the transmittal letter. We have been assigned an Employer Identification Number of 95-3675775 and are currently making application to the IRS for Recognition of Exemption under Section 501(c)(3).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (850) 455-7475.

Sincerely

James H. O'Connell

Secretary/Treasurer

OLD ANTARCTIC EXPLORERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
Members supported Antarctic Research for over 44 years
National Headquarters - 4615 Balmoral Drive, Pensacola, FL 32504 (850) 478-6222

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

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ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

OLD ANTARCTIC EXPLORERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

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

4615 Balmoral Drive
Pensacola, Florida 32504

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

- To stimulate and perpetuate love of country our Flag, support and appreciation for the service and sacrifices of all our Military Forces, past and present,
- To defend the honor, integrity, and supremacy of our national government and the Constitution of the United States,
- To support, develop, encourage, foster, and stimulate the continued exploration of Antarctica for the peaceful, scientific, and ecological benefits of all mankind. Advance, promote, sustain reasonable efforts to locate, identify, verify, collect, catalog, preserve artifacts and memorabilia pertaining and relating to the exploration of the **ANTARCTIC**, and
- To collect, record, illuminate oral, written, personal histories and sacrifices of Antarctic Explorers and honor those who gave their lives in that quest, and
- To aid past and present Antarctic Explorers from which our members are drawn, and their dependents and survivors in every proper and legitimate matter; and to provide social, recreational and fraternal contacts between its members, and
- To present the best interests and rights of Antarctic Explorers to proper authority when appropriate.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:.

Section I. A President and Executive Vice-President shall be elected annually by the majority present at the symposium to serve until the next annual symposium or until their successors are elected. The initial election for the Board of Directors will be two, three and four years respectively. Thereafter, the Directors will be elected to serve for three year terms.

Section II. A Treasurer shall be elected and a Secretary shall be appointed to serve until such time as a new Secretary and/or Treasurer is elected/appointed.

Section III. Elected offices of the OAEA will be held only by active members and Life members of the Association having all the privileges of membership including the right to vote and to hold office as defined by Article III provided no conflict of interest exists.

Section IV. On the first day of the symposium the President shall appoint tellers who shall act also as inspectors of elections.

Section V. Polls shall be open for such a period of time as shall be specified in advance by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS/OFFICERS

The name and addresses:

President – James C. Eblen – 2131 Ilex Avenue, San Diego, CA 92154-3001

Executive Vice President - John C. Harris – 380 Kimbrough Ave., Atoka, TN 38004-5109

Secretary/Treasurer – James H. O’Connell – 4615 Balmoral Drive, Pensacola, FL 32504

ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street addresses of the registered agent is:

James H. O’Connell
4615 Balmoral Drive
Pensacola, FL 32504

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

James H. O’Connell
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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.

James H. O'Connell
Signature/Registered Agent

10/23/2000
Date

James H. O'Connell
Signature/Incorporator

10/23/2000
Date