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AMERICAN LEGION

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SUBJECT: FARRIS H. DAVIS POST NO. 299, THE AMERICAN LEGION
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We have received your document for FARRIS H. DAVIS POST NO. 299, THE AMERICAN LEGION and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The articles of incorporation of a nonprofit corporation must be prepared in compliance with section 617.0202, Florida Statutes. Please refer to that section of the law for assistance.

The name of the corporation must contain a corporate suffix. This suffix may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

You must list at least one incorporator with a complete business street address.

The document must contain a registered agent with a Florida street address and a signed statement of acceptance. (i.e. I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent.)

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

Section 617.0803, Florida Statutes, requires that the board of directors never have fewer than three directors.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION entered into this December 26, A.D., 2000, by and

between the incorporators whose names and residences are set forth in Article IV hereof, all being citizens of Glades County, Florida who hereby associate themselves and all present and future members of this Post together as a body politic under the laws of the State of Florida and corporation not for profit and they adopt the following Charter:

PREAMBLE

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:
To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred per cent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great Wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and goodwill on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

ARTICLE I - NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be Farris H. Davis Post 299 The American Legion, Inc.- 600 River Road, Moore Haven, Fl.-Mail: P.O.Box 575, Moore Haven, Fl. 33471-0575.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTS

Section 1. The objects and purpose of this post shall be to promote the principles and policies as set forth in the foregoing preamble, and the national and departmental Constitutions of the American Legion.

ARTICLE III - NATURE

Section 1. This post is a civilian organization and membership therein does not affect or increase liability for military or police service.

Section 2. This organization shall be absolutely non-political and shall not be used for the dissemination of partisan principles nor for the promotion of the candidacy of any person seeking public office or preferment. No candidate for nomination or election to, or no incumbent of any remunerative elective public office, shall hold any elective office or any appointive remunerative office in this post of the American Legion, provided that members of post standing committees

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shall not be affected.

Section 3. Rank does not exist in the American Legion; no member shall be addressed by his military or naval title in any meeting of this post.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Eligibility to membership in this post shall be as prescribed by the National Constitution of the American Legion.

Section 2. Applications for membership shall be made in writing under such regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by the post Executive Committee.

Section 3. All applications for membership shall be acted upon at the next post meeting following the making of such application, and shall at such meeting, be accepted, rejected or referred for further investigation and consideration. If a majority of members present cast their vote against the acceptance of said application, then such application shall be recorded as rejected. A rejected application shall not again be considered until after the expiration of six months from the date of such rejection.

Section 4. Any member of this post may be expelled for cause by two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee after charges are preferred under oath in writing, and after a fair trial had upon the same.

Section 5. A member who has been expelled or suspended from this post for any cause may be reinstated to membership by a two-thirds vote of the membership present in post meeting, and the payment of current dues for the year in which the reinstatement occurs.

Section 6. No person who has been expelled by a post shall be admitted to membership in another post, without the consent of the expelling post, except that where such consent has been asked for and denied by such post, he may then appeal to the state Executive Committee of the Department of the expelling post for permission to apply for membership in another post, and shall be ineligible for membership until such permission is granted.

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INCORPORATOR: ROBERT A. STATON-RR6 BOX 874, OKEECHOBEE, FL.
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REGISTERED AGENT: ROBERT A. STATON-RR6 BOX 874, OKEECHOBEE,
FL. 34974-9701

I HAVE READ FLORIDA CODE SECTION 617 AND
AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE DUTIES AND
RESPONSIBILITIES OF REGISTERED AGENT.

Robert A. Staton
ROBERT A. STATON
31 JANUARY 2001
DATE

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ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Section 1. The administrative affairs of this post of The American Legion shall, except as may otherwise provided by the By-Laws, be under the supervision of an Executive Committee which shall consist of three members in addition to the officers of the post. The term of office of members of the Executive Committee shall be one year. This post, by its By-Laws, may provide for such other standing committees as the business of the organization may require.

Section 2. The officers of this post shall be a commander, a vice-commander, an adjutant, a finance officer, a post historian, a post chaplain, post service officer and a sergeant-at-arms, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary by this organization, who shall be nominated from the floor at the meeting preceding the annual election.

Section 3. All officers and executive committeemen shall be elected annually and they shall hold office until their successors are duly installed or as otherwise provided. Any officer or executive committeemen may be removed for inefficiency by the Executive Committee, a two-thirds vote of said committee being necessary to effect such removal.

Section 4. Every member of this post in good standing shall be eligible to hold office in this post, except as otherwise provided in Section 2, Article III hereof.

Section 5. The duties of officers and the Executive Committee shall be those usually appertaining to such officers or committeemen and as further provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCE

Section 1. The revenue of this post shall be derived from membership or initiation fees, from annual membership dues and from other sources as may be approved by the post Executive Committee.

Section 2. The amount of such membership or initiation fees and the amount of such annual post dues shall be fixed and determined by this post.

Section 3. The post shall pay to departmental headquarters the national and departmental annual membership dues for every member of the post.

ARTICLE VII - CHARTER MEMBERS

Section 1. Members who joined this post prior to November 11, 1919, (or members who joined this post prior to the issuance of charter) shall be known as charter members.

NOTE - The matter of charter members for the permanent charter is left to the decision of the post members.

ARTICLE VIII - DIRECTORS

Section 1. THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL HAVE A BOARD OF
DIRECTORS, THREE IN NUMBER, SERVING TERMS OF
TWO YEARS AND ELECTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP AT
THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE
OFFICERS OF THE ORGANIZATION. AS STATED IN THE BY-LAWS.

Section 2. THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS
SHALL CONFORM, WHEREVER APPLICABLE, TO THOSE SET
FORTH IN SECTION 617 OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
STATUTES.