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Secretary of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Florida Foundation for the Defense of Children, Inc.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following:

- 1. Articles of Incorporation of Florida Foundation for the Defense of Children, Inc.;
- 2. Certificate of Designation of Registered Agent/Registered Office;
- 3. My firm's check in the amount of \$87.50 which includes the filing fee, a certified copy of the registered articles, and a certificate of status; and,

Respectfully yours

4. Self-addressed stamped envelope.

Thank you for your assistance.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

FLORIDA FOUNDATION FOR THE DEFENSE OF CHILDREN, INC. (A Corporation not for profit)

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I. NAME.

The name of the corporation shall be Florida Foundation for the Defense of Children, Inc.

ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE.

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be 351 West Alfred Street, Post Office Box 130, Tavares, Florida 32778.

ARTICLE III. PURPOSES.

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

- 1. To provide legal representation for children and/or their families who have been harmed, or are at risk of harm, due to the acts or omissions of public agencies responsible for their care.
- To promote government accountability and necessary systemic reforms within Florida's public systems, by conducting activities toward public awareness, education, and family advocacy in the Florida's communities.
- 3. To provide program development assistance and continuing support to the private sector for the development of family-centered, cost-effective programs for the care, treatment, and education of children.

ARTICLE IV. MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.

Directors of this corporation shall be elected and maintained in a manner consistent with the bylaws of the corporation.

ARTICLE V. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS.

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent are:

Jerri A. Blair, P.A.

351 West Alfred Street

Post Office Box 130

Tavares, Florida 32778

ARTICLE VI. INCORPORATOR.

The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Jeffrey A. Heyne

105 N. Blake Street

Pierson, Florida 32180

Signature/Incorporator

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Signature/Registered Agent