

Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Vietnam Veterans of South Florida, Inc (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

\$70.00 Filing Fee

\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status

■\$78.75 Filing Fee \$87.50 Filing Fee,

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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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August 14, 2001

CHALLES RAY 8000 S. US 1 #400 PORT ST. LUCIE, FL 34952

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.

Ref. Number: W01000017744

We have received your document for VIETNAM VETERANS OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

You failed to make the correction(s) requested in our previous letter.

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.

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

In compliance with Chapter 617,F.S. (Not for Profit) of Vietnam Veterans of South Florida, Inc.

### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: Vietnam Veterans of South Florida, Inc.

## ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 12825 S. Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach, FL 34957.

## <u>ARTICLE III – PURPOSE</u>

The purpose for which the corporation is organized shall be (a) to promote greater understanding of America's involvement in the Vietnam conflict during 1961-1975; (b) to construct a suitable and appropriate museum to educate the public about America's involvement in Vietnam; (c) to transact any and all other business allowed by Florida Law under Florida non Profit Corporation Act and 501(C)3 of IRS Code; and (d) when necessary, to hold and convey real property by deed or otherwise.

## **ARTICLE IV - EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that 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 set forth in Article II hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for political office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (A) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (B) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductable under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

ARTICLE V - MANNER OF ELECTION

There shall be three initial directors, Thomas Burton, Thomas Flett and Michael Stirling. In the event a director does not continue to serve as director, then the remaining directors shall select a new director. However, all directors shall have served in the United States Military Services and received an Honorable Discharge from that service. The term of office of each director shall be until the director is unable or unwilling to serve. The manner of election of directors is as outlined in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI - QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The members of this corporation shall be the incorporators and such other persons as may from time to time be elected to membership by the members of the Corporation, in accordance with the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII - INITIAL DIRECTORS/OFFICERS

The names and addresses of the Initial Directors/Officers are: Thomas Burton, 12825 S. Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach, Florida 34957 Thomas Flett, 552 SE Volkerts Terrace, Port St. Lucie, FL 34983 Michael Stirling, 6406 SE Circle Street, Hobe Sound, FL 33455

## ARTICLE VIII- INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida Street address of the registered agent is: Thomas Burton, 12825 S. Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach, FL 34957

# ARTICLE IX- INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is: Thomas Burton, 12825 S. Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach, FL 34957

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.

tomas?. Signature/Registered Agent Signature/Incorporator

Date