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# **COVER LETTER**

SUBJECT: ARTICLE OF DISSOLUTION				
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 617, 1403				
The enclosed Articles of Dissolution and fee are submitted for filing.				
Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:				
Jo ANN V. GLIM (Name of Contact Person)				
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CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL AND GARDENS, INC.				
CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL AND GARDENS, INC. (Firm/Company)				
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# **MAILING ADDRESS:**

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#### ARTICLES OF DISSOLUTION

Pursuant to section 617.1401, Florida Statutes, this Florida not for profit corporation submits the following Articles of Dissolution: FIRST: The name of the corporation as currently filed with the Florida Department of State: CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL AND GARDENS, INC. SECOND: The document number of the corporation (if known): NOIO0006545 The file date of the articles of incorporation: 52812, 2001 THIRD: **FOURTH** The corporation has not commenced to conduct its affairs. FIFTH: No debts of the corporation remains unpaid. SIXTH: Adoption of Dissolution (CHECK ONE) (Note: Cannot be authorized by an incorporator if the corporation has directors) The dissolution was authorized by a majority of the directors: ☐ The dissolution was authorized by an incorporator. ☐ The dissolution was authorized by a majority of the incorporators Signature: (By the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer- if directors have not been selected, by an incorporator- if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary, by that fiduciary)

Filing Fee: \$35

# Children's Memorial and Gardens, Inc.

A 501 (c)3 Non-profit organization

To understand who we are, think of us as being N.E.A.R.: Networking, Education, Awareness, and Resources.

# Our vision is two-fold:

- 1. To promote natural settings where all who grieve the loss of a child may gather to seek comfort and peace, and
- To work locally and nationally in order to provide loved ones multiple avenues for healing and hope.

#### TRANSITION OF PROGRAMS

- 1) National Registry of gardens to become part of the Open to Hope Foundation. We hope TCF National will encourage all TCF chapters with gardens to register.
- 2) Ritual of Tears / Celebration of Life service held at the site of the original Children's Memorial Garden on the campus of St. Joseph Catholic church in Bradenton, FL will continue as an ecumenical service. The garden was donated as a gift to St. Joseph in 2000. Upkeep is in their care.
- 3) Dinners of Compassion coordinated locally through the Sarasota chapter of the Compassionate Friends. This concept is offered to Compassionate Friends National for all chapters to adopt (see attached).
- 4) Quarterly newsletter may continue until December 2008 as eNewsletter on website through Open to Hope Foundation.
  Web Site will become property of Open 2 Hope. TIFF's Initiative "To Inform Families First" (newly forming 501 (c)3) is an emergency contact program de
  - Families First" (newly forming 501 (c)3) is an emergency contact program designed to accelerate notification of families by law enforcement in cases of emergency. Presentation equipment will become property of TIFF's Initiative.
- 5) TIFFs Initiative (a newly forming 501 (c)3 non-profit organization) dedicated to accelerating notification of family by law enforcement in emergency situations will receive all promotion equipment including: tent, overhead projector, TV/DVD, etc.
- 6) Opportunities for networking flow chart will be shared with all interested non profit organizations serving families grieving the death of a child.
- 7) "Seeds of Hope" ½ hour television (9 part) series on Manatee Educational Television (METV) has been completed. Tapes are now a part of TCF Sarasota chapter.

- 8) Normand Poirier Scholarship Fund Seed money offered to Compassionate Friends National to assist students whose schooling may be interrupted due to financial interruption caused by the death of a sibling.
- 9) FOREVER REMEMBERED Walk in the Park will become a partnered fund raiser for The Compassionate Friends (Sarasota/Manatee Chapter) and TIFFs Initiative.

All money will be distributed between the aforementioned organizations as listed below (after all bills are satisfied).

St. Joseph Catholic Church	\$1,674.35	Care of Garden & Ritual of
		Tears Program
TCF Sarasota/Bradenton Chapter	\$ 500.00	Donation for Programs and
		Library
Compassionate Friends National	\$5,000.00	Normand Poirier Scholarship
TIFFs Initiative and Open to Hope	Remainder divided equally	

It was not an easy decision to dissolve the Children's Memorial and Gardens, Inc. but one mandated by health issues by several of the key people who served as officers and/or board of advisors.

It has been an honor to serve families who have experienced the most tragic of circumstances, the death of a child. We are confident that the organizations we've partnered with will continue the programs we began and we'll be anxious to see them grow and flourish under new leadership.