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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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

ARTICLE I NAME

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The name of the corporation shall be: Weed and Seed of St. Petersburg, Inc.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

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

Business: 2335 22nd Avenue South, Suite 6 St. Petersburg, Florida 33712 Mailing: P.O. Box 2842 St. Petersburg, Florida 33731-2842

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

A. To enrich the quality of life for persons residing in the Weed and Seed area by implementing community-based comprehensive multi-agency strategies to "weed" out violence and drugs and "seed" the area with educational, recreational, social and economic development thereby creating a safe environment.

B. To link and integrate, federal, state, and local law enforcement and criminal justice efforts with federal, state and local social services, and private sector and community efforts to increase the impact of existing programs and resources and to identify new programs that enhance the efforts of Weed and Seed.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:

A. The principal representative body of the Weed and Seed Program shall be its Steering Committee.

B. The membership of the Steering Committee shall not exceed-twenty-five (25) members. However, the Executive Committee has the authority to appoint additional non-voting members as needed. Membership shall include representatives of: federal, state and local governments, community residents, not-for-profit organizations, law enforcement agencies, businesses, and neighborhood associations. Each selected member is called the "primary" member. Each primary member is entitled to submit the name of a designee who must be affiliated with the same organization as the primary member. The name of the designee must be submitted in writing to the Weed and Seed Coordinator.

C. The designee shall serve as an alternate for the primary member to the Steering Committee when the primary member is unable to serve or unable to attend a meeting of the Steering Committee or meeting of a sub-committee of the Steering Committee. In the absence of the primary member the designee shall have all rights, privileges, and powers of the primary member under these Bylaws. Each member and their designee of the Steering Committee who is selected to represent a specific geographical area (neighborhood association) must reside in said area.



ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS/OFFICERS

The name and addresses:

Elder Martin Rainey, Co-chair 3901 39th Street South St. Petersburg, 33711

William C. Daniels, Co-chair U.S. Attorney's Office 400 N Tampa Street, Ste 3200 Tampa, Fl 33602

Gerald Syrkett, Co-chair 1900 MLK Street South St. Petersburg, FL 33705

ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

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

Elder Martin Rainey 3901 39th Street South St. Petersburg, 33711

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Elder Martin Rainey 3901 39th Street South St. Petersburg, 33711

ARTICLE VIII EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date shall be: September 20, 2001

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

The Articles may be amended by:

These Articles may be amended by a majority vote of the Steering Committee where a quorum is present at a regular meeting, where recommended article changes have been mailed at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.

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.

Signature/Registered Agent

Date

Signature/Incorporator