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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

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

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SUBJECT: G.T. Peterson Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

A Florida Non-Profit Corporation

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 & Certified Copy

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& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

ROM: (TT POL

Name (Printed or typed)

2804-3Rd

Address

Palmetto FT 34221

941-962-5413/941-749-195

Daytime Telephone number

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

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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G.T. PETERSON SICKLE CELL FOUNDATION, INC.
SECRETARY OF STATE
FALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

(A Florida Non-Profit Corporation)

ARTICLE 1. **NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be G.T. PETERSON SICKLE CELL FOUNDATION, INC.

ARTICLE II. COMMENCEMENT & DURATION

The commencement of this corporation's existence shall be at the time of the filing of these Articles of Incorporation by the State of Florida. This corporation's duration shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE III. PURPOSE

This corporation is being organized for the purpose of helping people with sickle cell anemia and children with cancer or any other blood disease.

To effect this purpose, G.T. Peterson Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc. will engage in the transaction of any and all business activities permitted under the laws of Florida and the United States of America.

This corporation is irrevocably dedicated to and operated exclusively for nonprofit purposes, and no part of the income or assets of the corporation shall be distributed to, nor inure to the benefit of any individual.

ARTICLE IV. CAPITAL STOCK

This corporation shall have no stock.

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ARTICLE V. POWERS

This corporation may do and perform all such acts and things, including those generally allowed by the law of the State of Florida relative to corporations not for profit, as now existing, or as the law may hence forth provide, as from time to time may be necessary or expedient to the exercise of any and all of its corporate functions, powers, and rights.

ARTICLE VI. MEMBERSHIP

Any person ho agrees to be bound by these articles of incorporation, the corporate Bylaws, and any rules and regulations which the Board of Directors may from time to time adopt, who completes a membership application form and submits it to the Board of Directors, and who pays the applicable dues, it eligible and qualified for membership in this corporation.

The corporate Bylaws may provide the Board of Directors further discretionary powers relating to the admission of members.

ARTICLE VII. MANAGEMENT

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs and business conducted and managed by the Board of Directors.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors, under any provision of the law, may be taken without a meeting, if all of the directors shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors. Any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors. Any certificate or other document filed, under any provision of the law which relates to the action so taken, shall state that the action was taken by the unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors without a meeting, and that these Articles of Incorporation authorize the Board of Directors to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facia evidence of such authority.

ARTICLE VIII. INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation's initial Board of Directors shall have three (3) directors. The number of directors may be increased from time to time, by an amendment to the corporate Bylaws, but shall never be less than three.

The directors shall be elected annually by this corporation's members. The manner of the election of the directors shall be specified in the corporate Bylaws. The directors named herein, comprising the Initial Board of Directors, shall hold office until the election of directors at the first annual membership meeting.

The name and address of each individual who shall serve as some members of the Initial Board of Directors are:

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GARY T. PETERSON 2804 3RD AVENUE EAST PALMETTO, FLORIDA 34221

KARYN WASHINGTON 1020 26TH STREET COURT EAST PALMETTO, FLORIDA 34221

MARY L. LANCASTER 711 13TH STREET WEST PALMETTO, FLORIDA 34221

ARTICLE IX. INDEMNIFICATION

This corporation shall indemnify any director or agent, and any former director or agent, to the full extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE X. PRINCIPAL OFFICE & INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE & AGENT

The address of this corporation's principal office and the address of this corporation's initial registered office shall be:

2804 3rd Avenue East Palmetto, Florida 34221

The name of the individual who shall serve as this corporation's initial registered agent at that address is:

GARY T. PETERSON 2804 3RD AVENUE EAST PALMETTO, FLORIDA 34221

I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent.

ARTICLE XI. INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the individual who shall serve as this corporation's incorporator is:

GARY T. PETERSON 2804 3RD AVENUE EAST PALMETTO, FLORIDA 34221

ARTICLE XII. BYLAWS

Corporate Bylaws will be hereinafter adopted by the Board of Directors. The corporate Bylaws may be amended or repealed, in whole or in part, by the Board of Directors in the manner provided therein. Any amendments to the corporate Bylaws shall be binding on this Corporations' members.

| IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscribed has executed the | ese Arti | icles | |
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| of Incorporation this 23rd day of March 2002. | SECRETA | 02 MAR 21 | |
| Print name: Gary T. Peterson | RY OF | 6 ≩ | 1 |
| Incorporator/Degistered Agent | FLORIDA | H: 53 | |

I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities or Registered Agent.

State of Florida County of Manatee

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this day before me, a director duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared <u>Gary T.</u>

Peterson, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and she acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 23rd day of March, 2002

Notary Public

Seal

Faye Butler
Commission # CC 806013
Expires Mar. 22, 2003
Bonded Thru
Atlantic Bonding Co., Inc.