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Subject: Miami Fire Fighter's Benevolent Charities, Inc.

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

- \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate

From: Monica B. Comperatore, CPA

80 SW 17<sup>th</sup> Road

Miami, Florida 33129

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## **Articles of Incorporation**

**Of**

### **Miami Fire Fighter's Benevolent Charities, Inc. (A Florida Not-for-Profit Organization)**

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The undersigned, acting as an incorporator of a not-for-profit corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation of such corporation:

#### **Article I**

##### **Name**

The name of the Corporation shall be **Miami Fire Fighter's Benevolent Charities, Inc.** (hereinafter called the "Organization").

#### **Article II**

##### **Principal Office**

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

**2980 NW South River Drive  
Miami, Florida 33125**

#### **Article III**

##### **Purpose**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

To raise funds and solicit charitable contributions that shall be in turn donated or distributed to not-for-profit funds, foundations, or corporations which are organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes that support firefighters throughout the United States, for example, but not limited to, September 11 funds that have already been established. The organization will also establish educational programs and/or provide and disseminate information pertinent to fire fighters. The organization will also raise funds to construct a memorial for fallen fire fighters both in Miami and throughout the United States. The organization will also engage in any lawful act or activity not for pecuniary profit for which not-for-profit corporations may be organized, so far as is or may be permitted by the laws of the State of Florida and Section 501 ( c ) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

#### **Article IV**

The directors of the Fund will be those elected to serve on the Miami Firemen's Benevolent Association, Inc. and will serve the same terms as those in the Benevolent Association.

#### **Article V**

The initial Director/Officers of the Fund are:

<b>President</b>	<b>Dale Picciano</b>	538 Zamora Ave. Coral Gables, FL 33146
<b>Vice-President</b>	<b>Henry Harrison</b>	16940 SW 301 Street Homestead, FL 33030
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Tom Flores</b>	12320 SW 100 Ave. Miami, FL 33176
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Keith Beckler</b>	1134 NW 131 Ave Pembroke Pines, FL 33028
<b>Director</b>	<b>James Harrison</b>	2607 Coolidge Street Hollywood, FL 33020
<b>Director</b>	<b>Stuart Willig</b>	10225 SW 135 Street Miami, FL 33176
<b>Director</b>	<b>Carlos Galera</b>	550 NE 51 Street Miami, FL 33137

#### **Article VI**

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

**Tom Flores, Treasurer  
2980 NW South River Drive  
Miami, FL 33125**

## **Article VII**

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Monica B. Comperatore, CPA  
80 SW 17<sup>th</sup> Road  
Miami, FL 33129  
(305) 299-5642

## **Article VIII**

### **Dissolution**

Upon the dissolution or winding up of this organization, its assets remaining after payment, or provision of payment, of all debts and liabilities of the organization, shall be distributed to a not-for-profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 ( c ) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

## **Article IX**

### **Limitations**

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its directors, officers, members or private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of any of its purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided in subsection (h) of Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the organization shall not participate or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the organization shall not carry on any 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 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

*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.*

Tom Flores

Signature/Registered Agent  
Tom Flores, Treasurer

6-2-02

Date

Monica B. Comperatore, CPA

Signature/Incorporator  
Monica B. Comperatore, CPA

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