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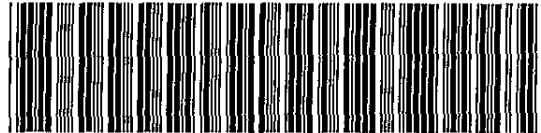
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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
Of the  
PANHANDLE CRESCENT SOCIETY, INC.**

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The undersigned, six natural persons of lawful age (hereinafter referred to as "Founding Members") adopt the following Articles of Incorporation, for the purpose of organizing an incorporated charitable organization at a meeting called for that purpose, and execute the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I**

**Name**

The name of the Corporation and the name by which it shall be known is **PANHANDLE CRESCENT SOCIETY INC** ), referred to below as "Corporation."

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be:

1350 E-4, East Tennessee St. Suite 233  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

**ARTICLE II**

**Establishment Date and Duration**

The Founding Members: Salah Aziz, Aisha E. Erausquin, Yousef Haik, Eman Karaman, Shahid Shaheen, and Michel Starzinski, held their initial meeting on September 21, 2002 to establish a society for Panhandle area Muslims. The Articles of Incorporation were executed on November 4, 2002. The period of the duration of this Corporation is perpetual unless dissolved according to the law.

**ARTICLE III**

**Purpose and Objective**

The objectives and purposes of this Corporation shall be as follows:

The primary purpose for which the Corporation is formed is to aid and promote a better quality of life for the population of the Panhandle area of Florida in general, and for Muslims in the Panhandle area of Florida in particular.

The Panhandle Crescent Society (PCS) is a non-governmental organization (NGO) based on the Islamic faith. PCS strives to develop and maintain good relations between the Muslim and Non-Muslim communities of the Panhandle area of Florida through education, community services, social and public affairs. The objectives of the Corporation are, but are not limited to:

1. Building, collecting, and disseminating knowledge.
2. Building bridges between Muslims and Non-Muslims.
3. Providing needed community services to all residents of the Panhandle area.

#### **ARTICLE IV** **CORPORATION STRUCTURE**

The structure of the Corporation consists of the Founding Members, Board of Directors, Executive Administration and offices established by the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE V** **THE FOUNDING MEMBERS**

The Founding Members: Salah Aziz, Aisha E. Erausquin, Yousef Haik, Shahid Shaheen Eman Karaman and Michael Starzinski have conclusive power over the Corporation and sole discretionary power over any amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. The Founding Members' power includes dissolving the Corporation. Decisions of the FM are to be made based on two-thirds (2/3)-majority vote(s) of FM.

#### **ARTICLE VI** **THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- A. The Board of Directors (BOD) consists of the Founding Members and elected members. The number of Directors constituting the Board shall not be less than three and not more than fifteen. Members of the Board of Directors shall elect new Directors at the Corporation's general meetings.
- B. The Board of Directors is to be the counselor body of the Corporation. Based upon Article III of the Articles of Incorporation the Board of Directors shall set policies and direct the affairs of the Corporation during their meetings.
- C. The Board of Directors may elect or appoint persons to administer, operate and execute the purposes and the day-to-day affairs of the Corporation in the manner provided by these Articles and the Bylaws of the Corporation.
- D. The names and addresses of the persons who serve in the term (2002-2004) as members of the Board of Directors are listed in appendix "A" of the Corporation Bylaws.

**ARTICLE VII**  
**THE EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION**

- A. The Executive Administration consists of the offices of President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by members of the Board of Directors. A Founding Member or President serves as Chairperson of the Board.
- B. The Executive Administration shall carry out the policies and day-to-day activities of the Corporation.
- C. The names of the persons who serve in the term (2002-2004) as members of the Executive Administration are found in appendix "B" of the Bylaws:
- D. The affairs of each PCS office or several PCS offices in the same county shall be conducted /supervised, as directed by the Board of Directors, by the office's Administrator and/or County Director, respectively.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**OFFICES**

- A. The affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted /supervised by the Executive Administration from PCS headquarters, which is located at present in Tallahassee, Florida.
- B. The Board of Directors may establish any office or position deemed necessary. The Board may dissolve any office or position that it has created, as it deems necessary.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**Ethics for PCS Activities**

The Corporation will not conduct activities which contradict with Islamic laws and values.

**ARTICLE X**  
**Cooperation**

The Corporation will cooperate with the Muslim communities (and their representatives) in Panhandle area in conducting its activities.

## ARTICLE XI

### Capital

The Corporation's capital is generated from, individual and institutional donations, grants, and by other means as may be determined by the Board of Directors. The Founding Members will make all decisions regarding disposal or expenditure of all Corporation assets for the purpose(s) of investment(s) and/or upon dissolution of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE XII

### INTERPRETATION OF THE ARTICLES AND BYLAWS

The Founding Members are the reference for interpreting any articles and/or bylaws in the case of confusion and/or disagreement between the members of the Board of Directors.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002/

Aisha E. Erausquin



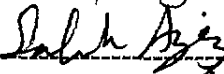
Eman Karaman



Micheal Starzinski



Salah Aziz



Shahid Shaheen



Yousef Haik



**Acceptance of Registered Agent**

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the Panhandle Crescent Society, Inc., I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligation of my position as registered agent.

Salah Aziz

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11-6-2002

Date

Registered Agent's address

864 Willow Avenue

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