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NAME OF CORPORATION: Southern Manatee Volunteer Firefighters Association, Inc.

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The enclosed *Articles of Amendment* and fee are submitted for filing.

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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT  
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SOUTHERN MANATEE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Pursuant to Florida Statute Section 617.1006, the Articles of Incorporation of SOUTHERN MANATEE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC. filed on February 27, 2003 and assigned document number N03000001768, are amended to read as follows:

Article I of the Articles of Incorporation is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article I:

"ARTICLE I

The name of the Corporation is Southern Manatee Firefighters Benevolent Association, Inc. (the "Corporation")."

The Members of the Corporation adopted this amendment by unanimous written consent on July 12, 2024 in accordance with Sections 617.1001 and 617.1002, Florida Statutes, and the Corporation's Articles and Bylaws and the number of votes cast being unanimous were sufficient for approval. Therefore, the Florida Secretary of State is hereby requested to approve and file these Articles of Amendment in accordance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Amendment effective the 21 day of August 2024.

**Southern Manatee Firefighters Benevolent Association  
F/K/A Southern Manatee Volunteer Firefighters  
Association, Inc., a Florida not for profit  
corporation**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Jordan Velazquez, President