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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Glenda E. Hood Secretary of State

September 16, 2003

MADONNA STEWART P.O. BOX 833120 MIAMI, FL 33283

SUBJECT: IT'S MEOW OR NEVER ANIMAL SANCTUARY

Ref. Number: W03000026469

We have received your document for IT'S MEOW OR NEVER ANIMAL SANCTUARY and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the corporation must contain a corporate suffix. This suffix may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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### ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION

OF

# IT'S MEOW OR NEVER ANIMAL SANCTUARY, INC.

The undesigned, for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, Florida Statutes Chapter 617, makes and adopts the following Articles of Iscorporation:

# ARTICLE I

## NAME

The name of the corporation is IT'S MEOW OR NEVER ANIMAL SANCTUARY, INC..

### ARTICLE II

### PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The address of the principal office (at time of filing) and the mailing address of the corporation is: P.O. Box 833120, Miami, Florida 33283.

### ARTICLE III

### PURPOSE

This corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3), of the Internal Revenue Code, including, for such purposes, as operating for the welfare of animals, including but not limited to, rescue, rehabilitation (spaying/neutering) medical treatment with a licensed veterinarian's care, providing foster homes, to observe and/or retrain animals, as well as hold until relocation or adoption. In addition, it shall be the aim of members to recruit more members to help more animals, to expand, to distribute materials, to develop facilities with a view toward a formal shelter or shelters and to increase scope of effectiveness of adoption of animals. The corporation shall acquire funds through solicitation and grants, and receive gifts, bequests, donations, contributions, conveyances, deeds of real estate, stocks, securities or commodities and devisees of monies and properties and to use and apply the net income and principal exclusively and in furtherance of the undertakings of the corporation, to receive, own, hold, administer, distribute, and dispose of properties of all kinds, whether real, personal or mixed, and whether acquired by gift, bequest, devise, purchase, solicitation, or otherwise, to borrow monies and to do and perform all lawful acts necessary, suitable and proper for the purposes hereinbefore referenced. Provided, however, that unless specified by donors, grantors, and contributors to the contrary, all sums of money, property, securities and commodities and donations of every kind shall be considered as permanent funds and use and applied to the purposes and uses above mentioned.

# ARTICLE IV

### MANNER OF ELECTION

The method of appointment of Directors or Officers is to be made initially by the Executive Director. Officers or Directors shall remain in office until he or she resigns or is removed by the President or Executive Director, or is otherwise disqualified to serve, or until is or her successor shall be elected and qualified, whichever occurs first.

## ARTICLE V

### INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

The number of Directors of this corporation shall be not less than three (3). The initial Board of Directors are:

Madonna Stewart
P.O. Box 833120
Miami, Florida 33283
Director/President/Treasurer

Christine Schwartz 241 East 700 North Orem, Utah 84057 Secretary

Regina Tatem
608 Main Street
Newport News, Virginia 23605
Director/Vice President

Michael Elan P.O. Box 833120 Miami, Florida 33283 Director/Executive Director

# **ARTICLE VI**

### INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial Registered Agent and Registered Office of the corporation is Walter Deloatch, Jr., Esq. 169 East Flagler Street, Suite 1616, Miami, Florida 33131.

# ARTICLE VII

### INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is Madonna Stewart, P.O. Box 833120, Miami, Florida 33183.

# ARTICLE VIII

## **BYLAWS**

The Bylaws of this corporation shall initially be adopted by its Directors, and shall thereafter be adopted, amended or repealed by its Directors or its members under and pursuant thereto.

# ARTICLE IX

### DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

### ARTICLE X

# AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Each amendment shall be approved by the President and Executive Director.

# ARTICLE XI

### TERM

The corporation shall exist perpetually until dissolved by due process of law.

### ARTICLE XII

# INDEMNIFICATION AND CIVIL LIABILITY IMMUNITY

The corporation shall indemnify each director and officer, including former directors and officers, to the fullest extent allowed by law, including but not limited to Florida Statutes

Chapter 617. It is intended that the corporation be an organization the officers and directors of which are immune from civil liability to the extent provided under Florida Statutes Chapter 617 and other similar laws.

# ARTICLE XIII

### **MEMBERS**

The classes, rights, privileges, qualifications, and obligations of members of this corporation are as follows:

This corporation shall have an unlimited number of classes of membership. Any person shall be qualified to become a member upon payment of the initial dues, if any, fixed by the Board of Directors, and shall continue as a members upon paying the annual dues, if any, fixed by the Board of Directors. The method and time of payment of dues shall be determined, and may be changed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors. Additional provisions specifying the rights and obligations of members shall be contained in the Bylaws of this corporation pursuant to, and in accordance with, the laws of this state.

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.

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Signature/Registered Agent	Date
madonna Stewart	9-19-67
Signature/Incorporator	Date