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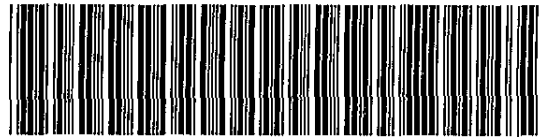
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
FIREFIGHTERS ASSISTANCE FUND, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

Article I.
Name.

The name of the Corporation shall be: FIREFIGHTERS ASSISTANCE FUND, INC.

Article II.
Principal Office.

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be:

2851 SE Oak Drive
Arcadia, FL 34266

The mailing address of this corporation shall be:

P. O. Box 1151
Arcadia, FL 34265

Article III.
Purpose(s).

The general nature and objects of this non-profit corporation shall be the organization of educational opportunities for fire-fighters and EMT's, as well as the general public; and to promote and encourage fire safety among the citizens of the United States of America.

The foregoing clauses shall be construed both as objects and powers and the foregoing purposes enumerated are intended as illustrative and not restrictive and this corporation shall have the power to handle such other things necessary or expedient for carrying out the said objects and purposes of said corporation and in general to possess all rights, privileges and immunities pertaining to like corporations granted under the laws of the State of Florida.

Said corporation/organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding section of any future Federal tax code).

No part of the net earnings of the corporation/organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation/organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of section 501(c)(3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation/organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation/organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation/organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation/organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code) or (b) by a corporation/organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code).

Upon the dissolution of this corporation/organization 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 IV. Manner of Election of Directors.

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is:

A Nominating Committee, appointed by the chair and approved by the members, shall convene for the purpose of certifying the eligibility of candidates for Director and to prepare an official slate of nominees. Any person so nominated shall have given prior consent to nomination and election as a Director. Nominations may be made from the floor with prior consent of the nominee.

Each elected Director shall take office at the end of the annual meeting where they will be installed and shall serve for a term of one year or until a successor is duly qualified and elected. Directors may serve for a maximum of two consecutive years.

If an office is vacated prior to the completion of a one year term, a member in good standing may be appointed by the Chair and approved by the members to fill the vacancy until the term ends.

Article V.
Dissolution

Upon dissolution of the corporation, any assets remaining after the satisfaction of all corporate liabilities shall be conveyed to (1) such organization or organizations as shall be selected by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors, provided, however, that such organization or organizations must be recognized as exempt from federal income taxation under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding sections of any prior or future law: or (2) to the federal, state, or local government for exclusive public purpose.

Article VI.
Initial Registered Agent and Street Address.

The name and Florida street address of the initial Registered Agent are Vincent A. Sica, P.A., 10 South DeSoto Avenue, Suite 101, Arcadia, Florida 34266.

Article VII.
Incorporator.

The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are:



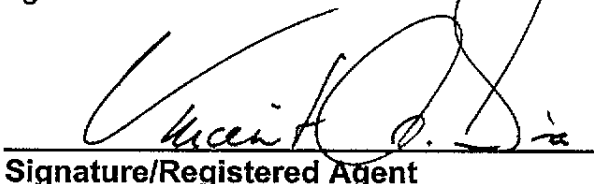
C. W. BLOSSER, CHAIRMAN

Signature/Incorporator

Address: 2851 SE Oak Drive
P. O. Box 1151
Arcadia, FL 34265

12-8-03
Date

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, 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 relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.


Signature/Registered Agent

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