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Articles of Incorporation

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: The Council of State Home Health & Hospice Associations, Inc. (hereinafter "THE COUNCIL").

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 223 East Main Street, New Iberia, Louisiana 70562

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purposes for which this corporation is organized are to:

- 1. Provide an organization, for its association members, that effectively interacts, cooperates, and coordinates home care policy, and related action steps, with national home care associations; and
- 2. Plan and conduct periodic meetings and educational offerings, on-site and via telecommunications, that inform and support its association members in their fundamental goal of advancing the high-quality clinical care and the business success of each of their home care provider members.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 Regular Members

THE COUNCIL'S membership shall be comprised of the following organizations:

- 1. State associations that represent, on a statewide basis, the home health agencies in the
- 2. State associations that represent, on a statewide basis, home care providers in the state.

Section 2 Regular Member Representation

Each state association shall be represented in COUNCIL meetings by up to two representatives, at least one of whom shall be the Chief Executive Officer or similarly titled person, or a designee of this person or volunteer leader, or a designee of this person, who is responsible for the day-today operations of the association.

Section 3 Regular Member Voting Allocations

Each state shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 4 Associate Members

Organizations that provide services or products to home health agencies or in-home care providers may join THE COUNCIL as non-voting associate members.

Section 5 Liability of Members

In accordance with non-profit corporation laws, no member of THE COUNCIL shall be personally liable for any debts or obligations of THE COUNCIL by virtue of their being members of THE COUNCIL.

ARTICLE V MANNER OF ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Members elect directors for two (2) year terms. At the time of each election for members of the Board of Directors, each candidate shall be identified on the ballot as a candidate for Chair, Vice-Chair or Secretary/Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The three members of the initial Board of Directors are:

- 1. Warren Hebert, Chair; 223 East Main Street, New Iberia, Louisiana 70562
- 2. Sarah Myers, Vice Chair; 1249 Commercial Street SE, Salem, Oregon 93702
- 3. Tim Rogers, Secretary/Treasurer; 3101 Industrial Drive, Suite 204, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609

ARTICLE VII INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is: Gene Tischer, Esq. 4208 Charing Cross Road, Sarasota, FL 34241-6119.

ARTICLE VIII INCORPORATOR

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is: Gene Tischer; 4208 Charing Cross Road, Sarasota, FL 34241-6119.

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.

Signature/Registered Agent

Signature/Incorporator

12/01 Date

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