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SECRETARY OF STATE DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

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Re: VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING VETERANS, INC.

Enclosed please find for filing the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation and Resident Agent's Acceptance for a new Florida not for profit corporation, name,

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING VETERANS, INC.

Enclosed please find our check in the amount of \$70.00 for the following fees and costs:

Filing fee: \$35.00 Registered Agent's Designation 35.00

\$70.00

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

George T. Coward

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

May 13, 2008

GEORGE T. COWARD, ESQUIRE POST OFFICE BOX 916 LAKELAND, FL 33802-0916

SUBJECT: VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING VETERANS, INC.

Ref. Number: W08000023983

We have received your document for VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING VETERANS, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

You must list the corporation's principal street address and/or a mailing address in the document. A post office box is not acceptable for the principal address.

The purpose contained in your articles of incorporation should be more specific. Please correct your articles to reflect the specific purpose for which the corporation is being organized.

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

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

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6973.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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OF

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING VETERANS, INC.

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

ARTICLE I.

The name of the corporation is: ${f VOLUNTEERS}$ ASSISTING VETERANS, INC.

ARTICLE II.

The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual, unless dissolved according to law. Corporate existence shall commence upon filing with the Secretary of State, State of Florida.

ARTICLE III.

The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are: To provide services and assistance to all United States veterans, including but not limited to transportation back and forth from their home to veterans' hospitals and medical treatment; and financial assistance in emergency situations for veterans on their utility and food bills.

ARTICLE IV.

The qualification for members and the manner of their admission shall be provided for in the By-Laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE V.

The street address and the city of the corporation and its initial registered office is: 1925 Harden Blvd. #214, Lakeland, Florida 33803. The name of its initial registered agent is **JAMES F. JEFFREY**, whose address is 1925 Harden Blvd #214, Lakeland, Florida 33803.

ARTICLE VI.

The members of the corporation shall elect a Board of Directors from the membership. The method of election of directors shall be provided for in the By-laws of the corporation. The number of Directors shall be set forth in the By-Laws and may be increased from time to time by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than three (3) members. The initial Board of Directors, who shall serve until the first annual meeting of the corporation or as otherwise provided for in the By-Laws are:

NAME ADDRESS

JAMES F. JEFFREY

1925 Harden Blvd. #214 Lakeland, Florida 33803

DARRELL OLIVER

1925 Harden Blvd. #79 Lakeland, Florida 33803

LENNOX R. BARRAND

1880 N. Crystal Lake Dr. Lakeland, Florida 33801

ARTICLE VII.

This corporation is organized under a non-stock basis.

ARTICLE VIII.

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3)(4) and (7) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the Federal, State or local government for exclusive purpose.

ARTICLE IX.

The names and address of the incorporator is:

NAME

ADDRESS

A. J. SMITH

2141 R. D. Drive Silver Lake, Florida 33810

Dated this

day of

, 2008.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being the incorporator of this corporation has executed these Articles of Incorporation.

A. J. SMITH, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF FLORIDA

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared **A. J. SMITH**, to me well known to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledges before me, according to law, that he made and subscribed the same for the purposes therein mentioned and set forth. Said person is personally known X or Showed ID ______.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23^{12} day of 23^{12} , 2008.

GEORGE T. COWARD
MY COMMISSION # DD 667734
EXPIRES: August 7, 2011
Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

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George T. Coward, Notary Public

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above corporation at the place designated in these Articles of Incorporation, I hereby accept the foregoing designation of Registered Agent. I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I accept the duties and obligations of Section 607.325, Florida Statutes.

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF POLK

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared **JAMES F. JEFFREY**, to me well known to be the person who executed the foregoing acceptance by Registered Agent and acknowledged before me, according to law, that he made and subscribed the same for the purposes therein mentioned and set forth. Said person is personally known X or Showed ID ______.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand seal this 23° day of $^{\circ}$, 2008.

George T. Coward, Notary Public

My commission expires:

GEORGE T. COWARD
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