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# Articles of Incorporation

First Response Search Team, Incorporated In compliance with chapter 617, F. S. (Not for Profit)

Article of Incorporation of the undersigned, a majority of whom are citizens of the United Sates, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation Law of Florida, do hereby certify,

#### ARTICLE I.

The name of this corporation shall be: First Response Search Team, Incorporated.

# ARTICLE II.

The principle office of the Corporation and street address of the registered agent is 1305 Main Avec S. Monticello, Fl 32344. The registered agent at such address is Mary Starnes Saunders. The county of the registered office is Jefferson County.

## ARTICLE III.

#### **PURPOSE**

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. To this end, the purpose or purposes for which this Corporation is organized are:

- 1. The corporation shall provide as a benefit to the public, trained teams for the search of victims lost, or missing upon the request of any Law Enforcement or other related official agency, day or night, under any and all conditions where teams can operate effectively.
- 2. To provide continuous training and education for dogs, handlers, and support personnel to improve and develop capabilities to ensure competent and capable search teams and operations including preventative search techniques, and a greater public appreciation of the abilities of the search canine.

All funds, whether income or principal, and whether acquired by gift or contribution or otherwise, shall be devoted to said purposes.

#### ARTICLE IV.

The name and address of each initial incorporator/Director is:

Barbara Allen 7126 John Wayne Court Tallahassee, FL 32308

Donna Dowler 509 Quail Lane Monticello, Florida 32344

Mary Starnes Saunders 1305 Main Ave South Monticello, FL 32344

William Schmitt 1601 Springwood Dr. Tallahassee, Fl 32308

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#### ARTICLE V.

#### LIMITATIONS

At all times the following shall operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the corporation:

1. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to any member of the corporation not qualifying as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, nor to any Director or officer of the corporation, nor to any other private persons, excepting solely such reasonable compensation that the corporation shall pay for services actually rendered to the corporation, or allowed by the corporation as a reasonable allowance for authorized expenditures incurred on behalf of the corporation;

- 2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office; and
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended.
- 4. The corporation shall not lend any of its assets to any officer or director of this corporation, or guarantee to any person the payment of a loan by an officer or director of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VI.

#### **DIRECTORS/MEMBERS**

The Corporation may (but need not) have voting members, and such membership, if any, and classes thereof, shall be as defined in the corporation's bylaws. The management and affairs of the corporation shall be at all times under the direction of a Board of Directors, whose operations in governing the corporation shall be defined by statute and by the corporation's by-laws. No member or Director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation. Directors shall be elected to office as per the Corporate By Laws.

#### ARTICLE VII.

# DEBT OBLIGATIONS AND PERSONAL LIABILITY

No member, officer or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

#### DISSOLUTION

Upon the time of dissolution of the corporations assets shall be distributed by the Board of Directors, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all debts, obligations, liabilities, costs and expenses of the corporation, for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code or shall be distributed to the Federal government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

## ARTICLE IX.

The Incorporators, IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation.
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Donna L Dowler
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This 27 day of June, 2008.
Registered Agent:
Mary Starnes Saunders Non Saunde

This 27 Day of June, 2008.