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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Midway Volunteer Fire Department
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed are an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

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☒ \$78.75
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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
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☐ \$87.50
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Laura K. Griffin
Name (Printed or typed)

60 Martin Luther King Blvd
Address

Midway, Florida 32343
City, State & Zip

(850) 574-7776
Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Corporations

March 3, 2009

JAMES FRANKLIN ROBINSON
93 IMANI CIRCLE
MIDWAY, FL 32343

(2ND MAILING)

SUBJECT: MIDWAY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
Ref. Number: W09000007655

We have received your document for MIDWAY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 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 your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

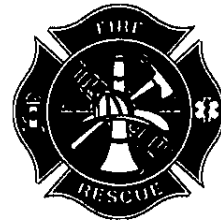
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Loria Poole
Regulatory Specialist II

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**MIDWAY FIRE DEPARTMENT
P.O. Box 438
MIDWAY, FLORIDA 32343
(850) 574-7776 * (850) 574-0633 (FAX)**



April 23, 2009

Department of State
Division of Corporations
Clifton Building
2661 Executive Center Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Ref: W09000007655

Dear Sir or Ma'am,

Please accept the enclosed Articles of Incorporation and the Laws and By-laws of the Midway Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. Also, I have changed the mailing address to the Post Office box address.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at (850) 574-7776 or (850) 598-6822.

Sincerely,

Laura K. Griffin, Captain
Midway Volunteer Fire Department

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
MIDWAY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
(A Florida Not For Profit Corporation)

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The undersigned, acting as the incorporator of the Midway Volunteer Fire Department, under Chapter 627, Florida Statutes, submits the following Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE I.
NAME**

The name of this corporation is Midway Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

**ARTICLE II.
DURATION AND COMMENCEMENT**

The Corporation will exist perpetually, commencing with the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Florida Department of State.

**ARTICLE III.
PURPOSE**

A. The Corporation is organized exclusively for such charitable purposes, as will qualify it for exemption from federal income tax as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. Within the scope of the foregoing, the Corporation is specifically organized and empowered:

B. The general purposes for which the corporation is initially organized are as follows:

1. To respond to fire and medical emergency calls within our city and to support the functions and goals of the Midway Volunteer Fire Department. Support shall include but not be limited to the purchase of equipment and supplies of non-budgeted items;

2. To advance fire prevention throughout the City of Midway, Florida by educating the public by increasing their awareness of fire safety procedures and the positive measures available to protect themselves and their property from fire; to include the public in fire prevention awareness and home safety measures;

3. To transact any other business in which a not for profit corporation may lawfully be engaged, in accordance with Chapter 617 Florida Statutes, and the restrictions contained in the articles, including without limitations of the provisions of Article XIV and subsection (3) of the article and;

4. To operate exclusively for "charitable purposes" as that term is defined in Section 501(c)(3) Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended and the regulation promulgated under that Section.

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, unless such member, director, officer or other private person is itself an organization qualifying for exemption from federal income tax as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue Law and except as reasonable compensation for services rendered or to make payments and distributions in the furtherance of Article III.

No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on or propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except to the extent permitted pursuant to an election made under Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986), and the Corporation 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 other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding sections of any United States Internal Revenue Law, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERS

Membership Requirements:

Active Membership

- a. Be eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- b. Have a membership application.
- c. Have submitted the required fingerprint card.
- d. Have passed the required background check.
- e. Be approved by the Board of Directors.
- f. Have an interest in firefighting.

Auxiliary Membership

- a. Be twelve (12) years of age or older.
- b. Have a willingness to assist the Midway Volunteer Fire Department in fundraising.

Junior Firefighter Membership

- a. Be between 15 – 20 years of age.
- b. Have submitted a membership application.

- c. Maintain at least a "C" average in school.
- d. Have an interest in firefighting.

Honorary Membership

- a. Must have played a previously active role in supporting the Midway Volunteer Fire Department

**ARTICLE V.
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The address of the Corporation is 50 Martin Luther King Blvd, Midway, Florida 32343, and the Corporation's initial registered agent at that address is Laura K. Griffin. The Corporation's mailing address is c/o Midway City Hall, P.O. Box 438, Midway, Florida 32343.

**ARTICLE VI.
ADDRESS**

The address of the Corporations initial principal office is 50 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Midway, Florida 32343. The Corporation's mailing address is c/o Midway City Hall, P.O. Box 438, Midway, Florida 32343.

**ARTICLE VII.
DIRECTORS**

The offices of this corporation shall be a Fire Chief, Deputy Chief, Assistant Chief, Captain and Lieutenant and any other office as the Board of Directors may deem necessary. All officers shall be active members of the corporation. The names and addresses of the members of the Corporation's initial board of directors are:

James Franklin Robinson, Chief
93 Imani Circle
Midway, Florida 32343

Chris Lance, Deputy Chief
P.O. Box 605
Midway, Florida 32343

Anthony Pridemore, Assistant Chief
124 Dante Court
Quincy, Florida 32351

Laura K. Griffin, Captain
10 Sand Pine Circle
Midway, Florida 32343

Heidi Pridemore, Treasurer
124 Dante Court
Quincy, Florida 32351

The method of election for the Board of Directors shall be: for the Fire Chief - by City appointment, for all other positions, they will be appointed at the discretion of the Fire Chief.

ARTICLE VIII. INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator is Laura K. Griffin. The incorporate assigns to the Corporation his rights under Section 617.013, Florida Statutes, to constitute a corporation.

ARTICLE IX. DISSOLUTION

In the event of the dissolution of the Corporation, the residual assets of the Corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, to be used exclusively for public purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court for 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.

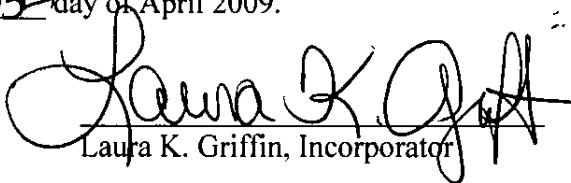
ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provision of these Articles of Incorporation in the manner prescribed by law.

ARTICLE XI. INDEMNIFICATION

This corporation shall indemnify any officer, director, employee or agent, and any former officer, director, employee or agent to the full extent permitted by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed the Articles of Incorporation this 23rd day of April 2009.


Laura K. Griffin, Incorporator

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