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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
SPECIALISTS FOR ANIMALS FOUNDATION, INC.
(A Corporation Not for Profit)**

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In order to form a corporation under and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, I, hereby make, adopt and subscribe the following Articles of Incorporation:

**I.
NAME OF CORPORATION**

The name of this corporation shall be:

Specialists for Animals Foundation, Inc.

The principal address and the mailing address of the corporation shall be:

3900 Clark Road M-4
Sarasota, Florida 34233

**II.
PURPOSES**

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively charitable, scientific, and educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The general nature, objects and purposes of the corporation shall be to operate without profit and to accept and receive property of whatever kind, and wherever situate, received by it by gift, grant, purchase, devise, bequest, or in any lawful manner and to administer and distribute such property exclusively for charitable purposes, including:

A. To distribute property in accordance with the terms of gifts, bequests, or devises made to the corporation which are not inconsistent with its purposes;

B. To modify any restriction or condition on the administration and distribution of funds for any specified purpose consistent herewith if in the sole judgment of the board of directors, such restriction or condition becomes, in effect, unnecessary, incapable of fulfillment, or inconsistent with the designated purposes of the corporation.

The specific nature, objects and purposes of the corporation shall be to defray the cost of specialized veterinary health care for owners of small animals who have demonstrated an inability to pay for such specialized veterinary care. The corporation shall receive and administer grants and contributions of money or property from individuals, private organizations, and public sources, and to apply or disburse these contributions for specialized veterinary care for small animals in circumstances where the owners of the animals have demonstrated an inability to pay for such specialized veterinary health care.

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No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, directors, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any 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 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

**III.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a board of directors consisting of not less than three (3) persons, as determined pursuant to provisions of the Bylaws. The method of election of directors shall be as stated in the bylaws.

**IV.
INITIAL DIRECTORS**

The names and addresses of the initial directors of the corporation are as follows:

Anne Chauvet
Veterinary Neuro Services, LLC
3900 Clark Road M-4
Sarasota, Florida 34233

Renee Hamad
1814 Roland Street
Sarasota Florida 34231

Sue Englehart
Sue Engelhart & Associates
4335 Olive Ave.
Sarasota, Florida 34231

Nick Mayer
3900 Clark Road M-4
Sarasota, Florida FL 34233

**V.
CORPORATE EXISTENCE**

The existence of this corporation shall be perpetual, unless dissolved according to law.

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**VI.
BYLAWS**

The first board of directors of the corporation shall adopt Bylaws consistent with these Articles of Incorporation. Thereafter, the Bylaws may be altered, amended or rescinded by the directors in the manner provided by such Bylaws.

**VII.
REGISTERED OFFICE**

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 3900 Clark Road M-4, Sarasota, Florida 34233, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Dr. Anne Chauvet.

**VIII.
INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is Dr. Anne Chauvet, 3900 Clark Road M-4, Sarasota, Florida 34233.

**IX.
DISTRIBUTION UPON DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the board of directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes for which this corporation was organized to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or an organization or organizations, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(1) or (2) of the Internal Revenue Law.

**X.
AMENDMENT**

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 17 day of July 2009.



Dr. Anne Chauvet
Incorporator

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ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned, hereby consents to the appointment as Registered Agent of Specialists for Animals Foundation, Inc., to accept service of process upon said corporation in this state. The undersigned is familiar with, and accepts, the obligations of this position.


Dr. Anne Chauvet
Registered Agent

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