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

Retired K-9 Heroes, Incorporated

Enclosed is a	an original and one (1) copy of th	ne Articles of Incorporation and a c	heck for :
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	St. Petersburg, FL 33	City, State & Zip	
	727-639-1002	Daytime Telephone number	
	cameron@retiredk9h	-	
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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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



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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

<u>ARTICLE I NAME</u>

The name of the corporation shall be: Retired K-9 Heroes, Incorporated

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal <u>street</u> address and mailing address, if different is: Street Address: 9993 54th Ave. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33708

Mailing Address:

Retired K9 Heroes P.O. Box 20443 Tampa, Fl 33622-0443

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

Retired K9 Heroes, Inc. is a non-profit organization that was formed to provide ongoing support for Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue K9 Officers and their dogs after their dogs are retired. Retired K9 Heroes helps by providing dog food, funds and veterinary services annually to those dogs that have retired from working service.

During their career of public service, which lasts an average of 8-10 years, these courageous animals often suffer knee, leg, and back injuries while in the performance of their duties. Although treated at the time, these injuries result in a shorter life span and require further medical attention long after they retire.

Retired service dogs are not usually adopted by the general public when they are retired or sustain an injury that will not allow them to continue in service. These service dogs have become part of the "family" of the handler, and the handler must bear the burden of financial support and veterinary care as no funds by the agencies are provided to the handler once a dog is retired from service.

Retired Law Enforcement dogs are any dog that worked for a Sheriffs Department, Police Department, FBI, Border Patrol or any state, local or Federal agency. These dogs are used as drug sniffing, explosive sniffing, tracking, and /or attack dog. These dogs must be owned and maintained by a current or retired Law Enforcement Officer/Handler.

Retired Fire Rescue dogs are any dog that worked for a Fire Department as a tracking, cadaver, or search and rescue dog. These dogs must be owned and maintained by a current or retired Firefighter/Paramedic.

Our goal is to create a sustainable organization, supported by corporate sponsors, grants, advertisers, members who make annual donations and quarterly fundraisers, as directed by the Board of Directors, to assists with food, supplies, and expensive medical bills, which become the responsibility of the handler, once the K9 is retired. A sample of fundraisers shall include but not be limited to; Car shows, golf tournaments, fishing and bowling tournaments and different community festivals and events as they present themselves.

Funds and support for a retired K9 handler are made when a dog is retired and the proper application is made by the handler with certification from the Law Enforcement Agency that the dog has, in fact, been retired and is now in the care of the handler. Applications must be approved by the Board of Directors and must be renewed on an annual basis and certified by a Veterinarian that the dog is still in the care of the handler.

Retired K9 Heroes, Inc. is a non-profit tax exempt corporation that is organized in accordance with and shall abide by all the provisions of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

The Initial directors shall be appointed by Cameron Beall after which it will require a majority vote of all the current directors to remove or add directors to the board and shall be regulated by the bylaws as initiated and amended from time to time.

ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

This Corporation shall have (3) Directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by action in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws. The names and addresses of the initial Directors of this Non-Profit Corporation are:

Cameron Beall, 9993 54th Ave., N., St. Petersburg, FL 33708 Ronald Vasquez, 1136 Candler Rd., Clearwater, FL 33765 Becky Beall, 9993 54th Ave. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33708

ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The address of the registered agent is:

Ronald Vasquez 1136 Candler Road Clearwater, Fl 33765

<u>ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR</u>

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Cameron Beall 9993 54th Ave. N. St. Petersburg, FL 33708 SECRETARE OF STATE

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

Date

Date

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Articles of Incorporation of Retired K9 Heroes

The undersigned, all of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation under the Non-Profit Corporation Law of Florida, do hereby certify:

First: The name of the Corporation shall be Retired K9 Heroes, Incorporated.

Second: The place in this state where the principal office of the Corporation is to be located is the City of St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, Florida.

Third: Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Fourth: The names and addresses of the persons who are the initial trustees of the corporation are as follows:

Name Cameron Beall Address 9993 54th Ave. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33708 Ronald Vasquez, 1136 Candier Road, Clearwater, Fl 33765 Rebecca Beall, 9993 54th Ave. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33708

Fifth: No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, 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 in Article Third hereof. 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 or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

If reference to federal law in articles of incorporation imposes a limitation that is invalid in your state, you may wish to substitute the following for the last sentence of the preceding paragraph: "Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation."

Sixth: Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed 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, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of 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.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names this day of feely 4 20/1

Cameron Beall,

Ronald Vasquez

Rebecca Beall

Witnessed by: