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SUBJECT: Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Diocesan Council of Venice, Florida, Inc. (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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SUBJECT: SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF

VENICE, FLORIDA, INC. Ref. Number: W10000037321

We have received your document for SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF VENICE, FLORIDA, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

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.

The effective date is not acceptable since it is not within five working days of the date of receipt.

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.

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORTATION

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ARTICLE I NAME

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Diocesan Council of Venice, Florida, Inc.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

2628 Del Prado Blvd., Cape Coral, Florida 33904.

## ARTICLE III PURPOSE

"Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to the needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Frederic Ozanam, and its patron, Saint Vincent de Paul. As a reflection of the whole family of God, members who are known as Vincentians, are drawn from every ethnic and cultural background, age group and economic level. Vincentians are united in an international society of charity by their spirit of poverty, humility and sharing, which is nourished by prayer and reflection, mutually supportive gatherings and adherence to a basic Rule. Organized locally, Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. The Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes, making no distinction in those served, because in them Vincentians see the face of Christ."

The Diocesan Council of Venice, Florida is responsible for animating and coordinating the works of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's districts, conferences, special works and programs within its jurisdiction (and if applicable designated neighboring isolated conferences).

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

No part of the net earnings of the Diocesan Council shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization 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 this purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Diocesan Council shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; and the Diocesan Council 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 provision of this document, the Diocesan Council shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or

(b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Directors and Officers are elected or appointed as stated in the Bylaws.

### ARTICLE V DIOCESAN COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

The Members of the Diocesan Council are:

- 1- The Board of Directors, which is composed of: the Diocesan Council President and the Presidents of the District Councils in the jurisdiction.
- 2- The appointed Officers.

# ARTICLE VI INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Emilio Fernandez	Director and Presiden	t 2390 Verdmont Ct.	Cape Coral, FI	33991
Barbara Redmore	Director	14 Serendipity Blvd	. N. Fort Myers, FI	33903
Joseph Sabatino	Director	3706 Candia Dr.	Punta Gorda, Fl	33950
Margaret (Joanne) S	Sassos Director	4499 Lakewood Blv	d. Naples, Fl	34112
Michael Coleman	Director	7409 3rd Ave NW	Bradenton, FI	34209
Barbara Redmore	Vice President-Officer	14 Serendipity Blvd	N. Fort Myers, FI	33903
Tarrah Nunes	Secretary- Officer	21225 Bassett Ave	Port Charlotte, FI	33952
Veronica (Ronnie) M	ladsen Treasurer-Officer	2227 SE 20 <sup>th</sup> PI	Cape Coral, Fl	33990

#### ARTICLE VII DISPOSITIONS OF ASSETS

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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 disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purpose or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purpose.

# ARTICLE VIII INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND PRESENT STREET ADDRESS

Emilio Fernández, 2390 Verdmont Ct., Cape Coral, Florida 33991

#### ARTICLE IX INCORPORATOR

Emilio Fernández, 2390 Verdmont Ct. Cape Coral, Florida 33991

Having been named as registered agent to accept service 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 that capacity.

Emilio Fernandez/Registered Agent

Emilio Fernández/Incorporator

Date

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