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December 29, 2010

JEFFREY A. RAPKIN THE JANE DOE PROJECT, INC. P. O. BOX 510727 PUNTA GORDA, FL 33951-0727

SUBJECT: THE JANE DOE PROJECT, INC.

Ref. Number: N10000011473

We have received your document and check(s) totaling \$35.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned to you for the following reason(s):

The date of adoption of each amendment must be included in the document.

If there are <u>MEMBERS ENTITLED TO VOTE</u> on a proposed amendment, the document must contain: (1) the date of adoption of the amendment by the members and (2) a statement that the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval.

If there are <u>NO MEMBERS OR MEMBERS ENTITLED TO VOTE</u> on a proposed amendment, the document must contain: (1) a statement that there are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment and (2) the date of adoption of the amendment by the board of directors.

If the corporation is a **PROFIT** corporation it must be signed by a director, president or other officer - if directors or officers have not been selected, by an incorporator - if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary, by that fiduciary.

If the corporation is a **NOT FOR PROFIT** corporation it must be signed by the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer - if directors have not been selected, by an incorporator - if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary, by that fiduciary.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-69

Darlene Connell Regulatory Specialist II

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# THE JANE DOE PROJECT, INC.



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

Dear Dept. of State, Division of Corporations,

Attached please find amended articles of incorporation for The Jane Does Project, Inc. #N10000011473 and a check for \$35. I thank you in advance for your time and attention in this matter. Please feel free to call me at your convenience if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Rapkin

### AMENDED NONPROFIT ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR

#### THE JANE DOE PROJECT, INC.

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

A. There are no members entitled to vote. The date of adoption of amendment is January

2,2011 by the board of directors.

B. Signature of President/Chairman/incorporator: Jeff Rapkin:

First: The name of the Corporation shall be: The Jane Doe Project, Inc.

Second: Principal Office: The place in this state where the principal office of the Corporation is to be located is: 207 Cross Street, Punta Gorda, Fl. 33950-4402.

Third: Purpose: (See eighth and ninth for specific purposes) This 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: Board of Directors and manner of election: The corporation shall have a Board of Directors that will govern all activities of the corporation. The Bylaws of the corporations shall also provide for their duties and functions. The Board of Directors shall have the power to make, alter, and rescind the Bylaws of this corporation provided that at least thirty days (30 days) notice has been given all members of the Board of Directors of the character of the prepared amendment or amendments to be voted on. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. There shall be no fewer than three voting members. All board members shall be appointed in accordance with the Corporation's Bylaws. The names and addresses of the persons who are the three initial directors of the corporation are as follows:

**Fifth:** Initial Registered Agent, Incorporator, Officers:

Section 1

The initial registered agent and incorporator is:

Jeffrey A. Rapkin, 207 Cross Street, Punta Gorda, Fl. 33950-4402, mailing address: P.O. Box

510727 Punta Gorda, Fl. 33951-0727. Section 2

The officers of the Corporation shall be: the Chairman; Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers shall be elected from the Board of Directors at the first meeting of the membership year.

#### Section 3

Nominations shall be made from the floor. The Board members shall elect, by ballot, the officers for a term of one (1) year. The terms of office shall be upon election and continue until their successors are elected.

#### Section 4

Officers shall perform the duties provided in this section and such other duties as they are prescribed for the office in these Bylaws, in the adopted parliamentary authority, in the standing rules, or as assigned by the Board of Directors.

- (a) The Chairman shall: be Chief Executive Officer and official spokesman of the Corporation, appoint committees subject to approval of the Board of Directors; subject to Board approval, sign contracts as required; be authorized to sign checks, to do anything lawful and necessary to protect the corporation and further its goals.
- **(b) The Secretary shall:** Record minutes of all meetings of the Corporation Board of Directors; Furnish a copy of the minutes to each member of the Board and to other persons, directed by the Chairman not more than thirty (30) days after each meeting, perform any secretarial services lawful and necessary to protect the corporation and further its goals.
- (c) The Treasurer shall: be custodian of all funds and serve as Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee; make a financial report to the Board of Directors at each meeting and at other times when requested by the Chairman of the Board of Directors; submit semiannual financial reports at both Florida Technology Student Association Leadership conferences; be authorized to sign checks; keep records in accordance with all State and Federal statutes.
- (d) Vacancies: in office shall be filled by election at any regular or special meeting of the Corporation.

Sixth: Meetings

#### Section 1

There will be a minimum of two (2) meetings each year to facilitate the planning of corporation activities. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman. A special meeting may be called by the Secretary with approval of a majority of the Board. Three (3) weeks notification by mail or telephone must be given for any meeting.

#### Section 2

A quorum shall be a majority of the those members of the Board of Directors with voting rights.

**Seventh:** 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.

**Eighth:** Statement of Lawful Purpose: The specific purpose for which this corporation is organized is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the laws of the State of Florida and the United States of America. The Corporation will not engage in prohibited political and legislative activity under 501(c)(3): 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, 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. Should this corporation be dissolved, it will distribute its assets within the meaning of 501(c)(3): Upon the dissolution of the corporation, should it be dissolved, 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. 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.

# Ninth: Specific Purpose:

The Jane Doe Project implements, expands, and establishes cooperative efforts and projects between domestic violence and sexual assault victim services organizations and itself to provide legal assistance for victims of sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence, and dating violence.

The Jane Doe Project's attorneys represent victims in court with any and all matters which are a direct consequence of their victimization.

The Jane Doe Project provides an opportunity for the 20<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuits to examine how the legal needs of victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking are met and to prevent injustice that follows when a survivor is unrepresented in court

# proceedings.

JDP implements, expands, and establishes efforts and projects to provide legal assistance for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault by providing direct legal or advocacy services on behalf of these victims. JDP also provides training, technical assistance, and data collection to improve its capacity to offer legal assistance to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault. JDP reaches diverse and traditionally underserved populations, including racial, cultural, or ethnic minorities; persons with disabilities; language minorities; or victims of sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence, and dating violence in rural or inner-city areas. Stalking and Domestic Violence victims are able to turn to JDP to obtain assistance with legal matters arising as a consequence of the abuse or violence, including family, immigration, administrative agency, or housing matters, protection or stay-away order proceedings, and other similar matters. JDP is focused solely or primarily on providing a broad range of legal assistance to victims of Domestic Violence and sexual assault.

JDP is a legal advocacy program operated with a close working relationship with sexual assault or domestic violence victim services organizations or shelters. Victims who contact rape crisis centers or domestic violence shelters are often in need of immediate legal assistance or advice. JDP ensures representation by qualified attorneys and/or legal advocates knowledgeable about the law and the dynamics of sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence, and dating violence. JDP collaborates among victim services programs and local agencies, local services (such as public housing agencies, hospitals, health clinics, campuses, and public libraries), or local businesses to provide on-site legal advocacy and/or legal assistance information in places where sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence, and dating violence victims are likely to go.

## The Jane Doe Project does NOT:

- Assist alleged batterers or, in the case of mutual arrest, the primary aggressor.
- Involve itself with law reform initiatives, including but not limited to appellate litigation.
- Prosecute Tort cases
- Involve itself with child sexual abuse cases
- Involve itself with cases involving the child protection system
- Represent parties in Criminal matters
- Involve itself with victim service agency employee cases

The Jane Doe Project Defines Domestic Violence as a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over another intimate partner. Domestic violence can be physical, sexual, emotional, economic, or psychological actions or threats of actions that influence another person. This includes any behaviors that intimidate, manipulate, humiliate, isolate, frighten, terrorize, coerce, threaten, blame, hurt, injure, or wound someone.

**Tenth:** Length of corporation and rules: This Corporation is perpetual. However, should the Jane Doe Project be dissolved for any reason, 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. The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Corporation in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order the Corporation may adopt. Bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Corporation by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all voting Board members. The amendment must be submitted in writing.

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