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#### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Division of Corporation Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

> Re: Volusia Society For Aid To Animals, Inc.. (A Florida Not for Profit Corporation). Our File No. JCP-2011-0058

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed please find Articles of Incorporation, along with a copy of same concerning the above-referenced Not for Profit Corporation. I have also enclosed a check from James C. Peterson, P.L.L.C. for your various filing fees.

Please return a conformed copy of the Articles of Incorporation to this office.

Sincerely yours

JÁMÈS C. PETERSØN

JCP/bg Enclosures

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

### VOLUSIA SOCIETY FOR AID TO ANIMALS, INC. (A Florida Not For Profit Corporation)

The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a not for profit corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

## ARTICLE I CORPORATE NAME, PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The name of this Corporation shall be: *VOLUSIA SOCIETY FOR AID TO ANIMALS, INC.* with its principal office located at 423 N. Glencoe Road, New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168 and its corporate mailing address being the same.

#### ARTICLE II POWERS AND PURPOSE

- A. This corporation shall have and exercise all powers conferred upon not for profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida generally and specifically as provided in Section 617.0302 of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation, Act, as amended.
- B. The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is organized is to offer services to aid animals including the operation of an animal shelter.

## ARTICLE III NONSTOCK CORPORATION

This corporation is organized upon a nonstock basis and shall not issue shares of stock. No dividend shall be paid, and no part of the income of the corporation shall be distributed to its members, directors, or officers.

## ARTICLE IV TERM OF EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence, commencing upon filing of these Articles.



# ARTICLE V REGISTERED AGENT AND INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE

The Registered Agent and the street address of the initial registered office of this Corporation in the state of Florida shall be:

#### JOSEPH W. COWLING

423 N. Glencoe Road New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168

The Board of Directors, from time to time, may move the Registered Office to any other address in the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

The qualifications for members and the manner of their admission, the different classes of membership, the voting and other rights and privileges of members and the termination of membership, shall be as regulated by the by-laws.

#### ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors will be elected in accordance with the by-laws of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VIII OFFICERS

The officers of this Corporation shall be elected in accordance with the by-laws of this corporation. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person.

#### ARTICLE IX INCORPORATORS

The names and addresses of the persons signing these Articles of Incorporation as the Incorporators are:

JOSEPH W. COWLING

423 N. Glencoe Road New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168 GINGER BRYANT-

HUTCHINSON, DVM

407 Quay Assisi

New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32169

BEVERLY C. COWLING

423 N. Glencoe Road

New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168

#### ARTICLE X A M E N D M E N T S

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by an affirmative vote of the majority of those members present at the annual meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

#### 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.

#### ARTICLE XII DISSOLUTION

In the event this corporation should be dissolved for any cause, all of its assets and any funds resulting from the sale of its property shall be used exclusively in furtherance of the purposes enumerated in these Articles, and none of its funds or property shall inure to the profit of any private individual or corporation. Any distributions hereunder shall be paid as determined by the Board of Directors, over to a local organization or local organizations, as the case may be, with similar aims to those of this corporation having qualified for exemption under 501(c)(3), 501(c)(7), or 170(c)(2), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned as Incorporators have executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation on this 28th day of November , 2011.

SØSEPH W. COWLING

GINGER BRYANT-HUTCHINSON, DVM

BEVERLY/C COWLING

#### STATE OF FLORIDA

#### **COUNTY OF VOLUSIA**

(Notary - print name)

Notary Public - State of Florida

Commission No.:

My Commission Expires:



#### CERTIFICATE

In compliance with Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

That VOLUSIA SOCIETY FOR AID TO ANIMALS, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at the City of New Smyrna Beach, County of Volusia, State of Florida fras named JOSEPH W. COWLING, 423 N. Glencoe Road, New Smyrna Beach, Volusia County, Florida, as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

#### ACKNOWLED GMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-named corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, the undersigned agrees to act in this capacity, and agrees to comply with the provisions of Florida relative to keeping the designated office open.

JOSEPH W. COWLING, as Registered Agent