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

SUBJECT: Hope for the Children, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Janis K. Smith

Name (Printed or typed)

4241 Kissimmee Park Road

Address

St. Cloud, FL 34772

City, State & Zip

407-957-2990

Daytime Telephone number

drjanissmith@mac.com

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION HOPE FOR THE CHILDREN, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be Hope for the Children, Inc.

ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The Corporation's principal place of business shall be: 4241 Kissimmee Park Road St. Cloud, FL 34772

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The principal mailing address of the Corporation shall be: 4241 Kissimmee Park Road St. Cloud, FL 34772

ARTICLE III. PURPOSE

Hope for the Children, Inc., 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code). The specific purpose for which this Corporation is formed is to help eliminate hunger and help improve health among children in developing countries through direct assistance and educational instruction.

To accomplish this purpose, the Corporation shall:

- A. Establish and conduct feeding programs for children in the world's most impoverished nations.
- B. Educate families within developing nations regarding nutrition, hygiene, sanitation, and food preparation and storage.
- C. Instruct families within developing countries regarding the cultivation of simple food products within limited spaces.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The initial members of the board of directors shall be appointed by the initial registered agent and shall serve for one (1) year or until replaced. Subsequent members of the board of directors shall be elected according to the provisions of the Bylaws. The number of directors shall be no less than three (3) and no more than twenty-one (21).

V. REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent are: Janis K. Smith 4241 Kissimmee Park Road St. Cloud, FL 34772

ARTICLE VI. INCORPORATOR

The name and mailing address of the incorporator is: Janis K. Smith 4241 Kissimmee Park Road St. Cloud, FL 34772

VII. NONPROFIT CAPITALIZATION

No part of the income of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, officer, or director of the Corporation, or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation in connection with the furtherance of its purposes and no member, trustee, director, or officer of the Corporation or any private person shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the Corporate assets on dissolution of the Corporation).

VIII. MEMBER LIABILITY

The private property of this Corporation's members, directors, or officers shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatsoever. No director or officer shall be liable for relying in good faith upon the books, accounts, or reports made to the Corporation by any of its officials or members or by an independent accountant selected by the Board of Directors or by any committee so designated by the Corporation, or for relying in good faith upon any other records of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IX. ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED

No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall involve the disseminating 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 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 of 1954 (or corresponding section of any future federal tax code) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding section of any future federal tax code).

ARTICLE X. DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the Corporation shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of the debts and obligations of the Corporation, distribute the remaining assets and property (after necessary expenses thereof) to such organizations as shall qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as named. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized for such purposes as qualify them as exempt organizations.

Signature / Incorporator

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Signature / Registered Agent

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