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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Corporations

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SUBJECT: FREE SPIRIT EQUESTRIAN CENTER & RESCUE, INC.
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We have received your document for FREE SPIRIT EQUESTRIAN CENTER & RESCUE, 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):

A non-profit corporation cannot be a Public Benefit corporation. Please remove article 3.02 from your articles where you designate this filing as a Public Benefit Corporation.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION – NON-PROFIT
(FLORIDA)**

ARTICLE I

NAME

1.01 Name

The legal name of this corporation shall be Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. The business of the corporation may be conducted as Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue.

ARTICLE II

DURATION

2.01 Duration

The period of duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE III

PURPOSE

3.01 Purpose

Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. is a non-profit corporation 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.

Our mission is to improve the lives of equines by educating owners, assisting law enforcement agencies, rehabilitating abused and neglected equines and placing them into safe, permanent homes. As well as rescue, we will design and provide a therapeutic riding facility for visually, mentally and physically disabled individuals. We will reach out to centers for abused women and children, homeless, disabled veterans, foster homes, rehabilitation centers, to name a few. We will offer training camps for children and adults to prepare them for proper and responsible ownership. We will offer a volunteer program for individuals who wish to have hands on our rescuing, rehabilitating, retraining and rehoming process. All of our programs have been designed by 3rd and 4th generation equestrian owners/trainers to insure proper education and training. To maximize our effectiveness, we may seek to collaborate with other non-profit organizations that qualify as non-profit corporations under section 501(c)(3).

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ARTICLE IV

NON-PROFIT NATURE / BENEFITS

4.01 Non-profit Nature

Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. is not organized and shall not be operated for the private gain of any person. The property of the corporation is irrevocably dedicated to its charitable, religious, educational or scientific purposes. No part of the assets, receipts, or net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, any individual. The corporation may, however, pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make other payments and distributions consistent with these Articles.

4.02 Personal Liability

No officer or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property or assets of the officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

4.03 Dissolution

Upon termination or dissolution of the Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. any assets lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed to one or more qualifying organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or described in any corresponding provision of any successor statute), which organization or organizations shall have a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the terminating or dissolving corporation.

The organization to receive the assets of the Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. hereunder shall be selected by the discretion of a majority of the managing body of the Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. and if its members cannot so agree, then the recipient organization shall be selected pursuant to a verified petition in equity filed in a court of proper jurisdiction against the Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. by one or more of its managing body, which verified petition shall contain such statements as reasonably indicate the applicability of this section. The court upon a finding that this section is applicable shall select the qualifying organization or organizations to receive the assets to be distributed, giving preference if practicable to organizations located within Florida.

In the event the court shall find that this section is applicable but that there is no qualifying organization known to it which has a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a

purpose similar to this corporation, then the court shall direct the distribution of its assets lawfully available for distribution to the Treasurer of the State of Florida to be added to the general fund.

4.03 Prohibited Distributions

No part of the net earnings, or properties of this corporation, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers or other private person or individual, 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 III, Section 3.01.

4.04 Restricted Activities

No substantial part of the corporation's activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

4.05 Prohibited Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax as an organization described by 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.

ARTICLE V

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.01 Governance

Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. shall be governed by its board of directors.

5.02 Initial Directors

The initial Directors of the corporation shall be: Julia Hogg, Jenna Hogg, Tammy Hogg

5.03. Selection of Board Members

Initial board members were selected by the incorporator(s). Directors may be elected at any board meeting by the majority vote of the existing Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

MEMBERSHIP

6.01 Membership

Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. shall have no members. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined in the corporation's bylaws.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENTS

7.01 Amendments

Any amendment to the Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the board of directors.

ARTICLE VIII

ADDRESSES OF THE CORPORATION

8.01 Corporate Address

The physical address of the corporation is: 2712 King Surrey Ct, Valrico, FL 33596

The mailing address of the corporation is: 2712 King Surrey Ct, Valrico, FL 33596

ARTICLE IX

APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT

9.01 Registered Agent

The registered agent of the corporation shall be: Julia Hogg - 2712 King Surrey Ct, Valrico, FL 33596

ARTICLE X

INCORPORATOR

The incorporators of the corporation are as follow:

Julia Hogg – 2712 King Surrey Ct, Valrico, Florida 33596

Jenna Hogg – 13842 Bridgewater Crossing Blvd, Apt 202, Windermere, Florida 34786

Tammy Hogg - 221 Settlers Lane, Stephenson, VA 22656

Certificate of Adoption of Articles of Incorporation

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above-stated Articles of Incorporation of Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. were approved by the Board of Directors on January 2, 2015 and constitute a complete copy of Articles of Incorporation of the Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc.

[List names, addresses and signatures of all directors and incorporators.]

Julia Hogg
By: _____

Address: 2712 King Surrey Ct Valrico FL 33596
Date: _____

Jenna Hogg
By: _____

Address: 13842 Bridgewater Crossing Blvd.
Date: Windermere, FL 34786
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By: _____

Address: 221 Settler Lane
Date: Stephenson, VA 226
2-3-15

Acknowledgment of consent to appointment as registered agent:

I, Julia Hogg, agree to be the registered agent for Free Spirit Equestrian Center & Rescue, Inc. appointed herein.

Registered Agent

Julia Hogg
By: _____

Address: 2712 King Surrey Ct Valrico FL 33596
Date: Feb 3, 2015

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