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September 7, 2017

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

Re: Manatee Sheriff's Charity, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$78.75 which serves as payment for one original and one certified copy of the above referenced Articles of Incorporation, and a Registered Agent Designation. I respectfully request that you accept the Articles of Incorporation for filing and provide a certified copy of the filed Articles of Incorporation using the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. You may reach me at (941) 747-3011 ext. 2250 or at Michele.Hall@manateesheriff.com.

Sincerely,

RICK WELLS, SHERIFF
Manatee County, Florida

Michele S. Hall, General Counsel
Legal Affairs Division

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
MANATEE SHERIFF'S CHARITY, INC.**

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this corporation is MANATEE SHERIFF'S CHARITIES, INC.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The purpose and objectives of this organization shall be to maintain the highest levels of education, professionalism, and integrity; to help the public at large better understand the role and concerns of law enforcement and society; to maintain positive public relations between law enforcement personnel and the public; to conduct educational forums, workshops, and other similar programs for the benefit and welfare of the public at large; to maintain a high level of ethical conduct on the part of all deputy sheriffs; to provide law enforcement with additional tools, equipment, training, and resources to combat crime and promote public safety; to oversee the investment and administration of donations from persons, corporations, and other philanthropic organizations; to uphold the Constitution and laws of the United States of America, as well as the laws of the State of Florida and Manatee County; and to do all things necessary or incidental to the foregoing.

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively charitable and educational with the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law. The corporation shall make no distribution of income to its members.

**ARTICLE III.
TERM OF EXISTENCE AND COMMENCEMENT**

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence and its existence shall commence upon the filing of the articles.

ARTICLE IV. PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The street address of the initial principal office and the mailing address of the corporation is: 600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 202, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

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**ARTICLE V.
REGISTERED AGENT AND ADDRESS**

The name and address of the initial registered agent of the corporation is:
Sidney Ettedgui, 600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 202, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

**ARTICLE VI.
DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION**

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. The number of members of the Board of Directors will be determined by the By-laws of the corporation but shall not be less than three. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by the By-laws, but shall never be less than three. The method of election shall be as set forth in the By-laws of the corporation.

**ARTICLE VII.
INDEMNITY OF DIRECTORS**

The corporation shall indemnify any officer or director to the fullest extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE VII. INCORPORATORS

The names and addresses of the current directors who are to serve as directors until the next annual meeting of the corporation or their successors are elected and qualified are as follows:

Rick Wells, President	600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 202, Bradenton, Florida 34205
Dwayne Denison, V.P.	600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 202, Bradenton, Florida 34205
Neil Unruh, Treasurer	600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 202, Bradenton, Florida 34205
Yvonne Gard, Secretary	600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 202, Bradenton, Florida 34205
Sidney Ettedgui, Director	600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 202, Bradenton, Florida 34205
Lou Eurice, Director	6035 15 th St. East, Bradenton, Florida 34203
Chris Quattlebaum, Director	32115 Clay Tully Rd., Myakka City, Florida 34251

ARTICLE VIII. DEDICATION OF ASSETS

Upon the dissolution, termination, or winding up 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 of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court in Manatee County, Florida, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as the Court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscribers have executed these articles of incorporation this 6th day of September, 2017.

Charles R. Wells
Rick Wells

Dwayne Denison
Dwayne Denison

Neil Urruh
Neil Urruh

Yvonne I. Gard
Yvonne Gard

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MANATEE

6th The foregoing instrument, Articles of Incorporation, was acknowledged before me this day of September, 2017, by **Rick Wells**, who is personally known to me.

Charla Eberly
NOTARY PUBLIC



Charla Eberly
Commission # FF969031
Expires: March 26, 2020
Bonded thru Aaron Notary

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MANATEE

6th The foregoing instrument, Articles of Incorporation, was acknowledged before me this day of September, 2017, by **Dwayne Denison**, who is personally known to me.



Charla Eberly
NOTARY PUBLIC



Charla Eberly
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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MANATEE

5th The foregoing instrument, Articles of Incorporation, was acknowledged before me this day of September, 2017, by **Neil Unruh**, who is personally known to me.


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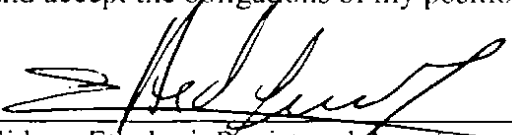
STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MANATEE

5th The foregoing instrument, Articles of Incorporation, was acknowledged before me this day of September, 2017, by **Yvonne Gard**, who is personally known to me.


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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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.


Sidney Ettegui, Registered Agent