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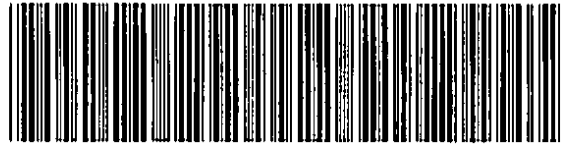
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Hope For Pits Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

☐ \$70.00
Filing Fee

☒ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Clinton Grimsley
Name (Printed or typed)

6501 Arlington Expressway, B105 #7008
Address

Jacksonville, Florida 32211
City, State & Zip

904 208 0936
Daytime Telephone number

clint@hopeforpits.com

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

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

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
Hope For Pits, Inc.
A NONPROFIT CORPORATION**

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this corporation is Hope For Pits, Inc. hereafter "Corporation". The principal office or headquarters for the transaction of business shall be located at 6501 Arlington Expressway B105 #7008, Jacksonville, FL 32211, located within the County of Duval and State of Florida. Hope For Pits, Inc. shall have and shall continuously maintain corporation status in the State of Florida as a registered office and agent.

**ARTICLE II
DURATION,**

The period of duration is perpetual.

**ARTICLE III
PURPOSE**

The purpose for which the Corporation is organized is to rescue and rehabilitate American Pitbull Terrier/ Staffordshire Terrier type dogs as well as other "bully breed" dogs. We aim to reduce shelter euthanasia and overcrowding, educate the public about and advocate for dogs seen as "pit bulls" in order to end the stigma around the breed name.

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable 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.

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization 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 the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of

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statements) and political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any provision of this document, the organization shall not carry any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code or (b) by any organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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 disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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.

ARTICLE IV **REGISTERED OFFICE/AGENT**

The name of the initial registered agent at said address is Clinton Grimsley. The street address of the initial registered office is 6501 Arlington Expressway, B105 #7008, Jacksonville, FL 32211.

ARTICLE V **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The initial Board of Directors and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as Directors or until such time as their successors are elected and qualified are as follows:

President: Emily Painter
3342 Green Street
Jacksonville, FL 32205
The President will oversee the operation of the corporation and chair meetings of the Board of Directors.

Vice President: Alexis Peterson
2754 Indigo Hills Ct
Jacksonville, FL 32221
The Vice President will be in charge of fundraising and event planning.

Treasurer: Clinton Grimsley
3342 Green Street,
Jacksonville, FL 32205

The Treasurer shall manage the finances of the corporation.

Secretary: Jessica Phillips
2805 College Street
Jacksonville, FL 32204
The Secretary shall record the minutes of the Board meetings and manage required corporate filings and communications.

ARTICLE VI - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Emily Painter
3342 Green Street
Jacksonville, FL 32205

ARTICLE VII INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation does hereby indemnify any and all Directors, Officers, employees, Incorporators and/or Shareholders of the corporation from any and all liability with regards to the corporation and the business of the corporation, to the full extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE IX CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

All other matters regarding Corporation's rules of corporate governance are contained within Corporation's bylaws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on this 22nd day of December, 2021.

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

Emily Painter
Required Signature of Incorporator

12/22/21
Date

Emily Painter
Name of Incorporator

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Clint Grimsley
Required Signature of Registered Agent

12/22/2021
Date

Clint Grimsley
Name of Registered Agent

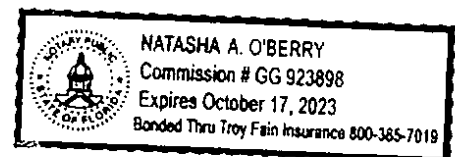
STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF DUVAL

On this date, DECEMBER 22, 2021, before me a notary public, the undersigned authority, the following personally appeared: Emily Painter, known to me or have satisfactorily proven that me as the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed those Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year as written above.

Natasha A. O'Berry
(Signature Notary Public)

NATASHA A O'BERRY
(Printed Name of Notary Public)



My Commission Expires: 10-17-2023