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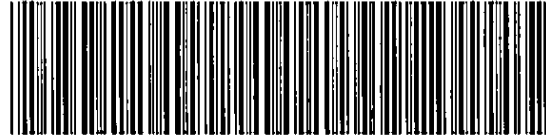
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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
FLORIDA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, INC.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, FLORIDA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation (the "Corporation"), adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE I  
NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be the FLORIDA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, INC.

**ARTICLE II  
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS**

The principal office, street, and mailing address of the Corporation is 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

**ARTICLE III  
TERM OF EXISTENCE**

The Corporation shall exist until December 31, 2024, unless extended by the Florida Legislature pursuant to Section 252.71, Florida Statutes, or otherwise dissolved sooner in accordance with Florida law. The effective date of these Articles of Incorporation shall be upon filing thereof with the Florida Department of State.

**ARTICLE IV  
PURPOSE**

The Corporation is a nonprofit corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, shall operate exclusively for charitable purposes within the

meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, and shall serve as a Direct Support Organization of the Florida Division of Emergency Management ("Division") pursuant to Section 252.71, Florida Statutes, and as set forth in these Articles. Within the limitations of the foregoing, the purpose of the Corporation is to provide assistance, funding, and support to the Division in its disaster response, recovery, and relief efforts for natural emergencies.

The Corporation is organized and operated exclusively to obtain funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and bequests of moneys or other items; acquire, receive, hold, invest, and/or administer in its own name securities, funds, or property; and make expenditures to or for the direct or indirect benefit of the Division, political subdivisions within the State of Florida, and individuals adversely impacted by natural emergencies occurring within the State of Florida.

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its trustees, officers, or other private persons, 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 above. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on 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 or in opposition to 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, 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**

### **MEMBERS**

The Corporation shall not have any members.

## **ARTICLE VI DIRECTORS**

The governance of the Corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The Corporation shall have five directors who shall be appointed by the Director of the Division. The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is three, and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are set forth below:

1. NAME:     Javier Marques  
   ADDRESS: 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
             Tallahassee, Florida 32399
2. NAME:     Steven Lerner  
   ADDRESS: 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
             Tallahassee, Florida 32399
3. NAME:     Brian Mimbs  
   ADDRESS: 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
             Tallahassee, Florida 32399

## **ARTICLE VII BYLAWS**

The power to adopt, change, amend, or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

## **ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENT**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by

Florida law.

## **ARTICLE IX DISSOLUTION**

Upon a dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation shall be distributed to the Division, or to the State of Florida if the Division ceases to exist.

## **ARTICLE X REGISTERED AGENT**

The name and Florida street address of the Registered Agent for the Corporation is Michael J. Barry, located at 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399. The email address and phone number for the Registered Agent is michael.barry@em.myflorida.com, and (850) 815-4295.

## **ARTICLE XI INCORPORATOR**

The Name and Address of the Incorporator of the Corporation is Michael J. Barry, located at 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399. The email address and phone number for the Incorporator is michael.barry@em.myflorida.com and (850) 815-4295.

*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 Section 817.155, Florida Statutes.*



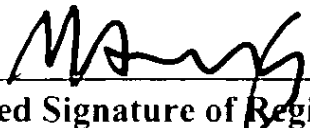
Required Signature of Incorporator

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Date

## CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

*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*

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Required Signature of Registered Agent

5/18/23  
Date