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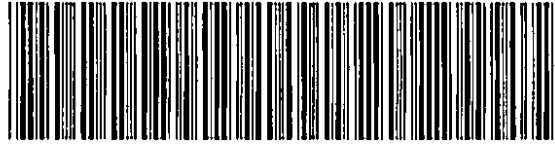
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**SUBJECT:** MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CHARITY FUND, INC.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CHARITY FUND, INC.  
A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION**

The undersigned Incorporator hereby files these Articles of Incorporation in order to form a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, effective October 31st, 2023.

**Article 1.  
Name and Principal Office**

The name of the corporation is **Madison County Sheriff's Office Charity Fund, Inc.** (the "Corporation").

**Article 2.  
Principal Office and Mailing Address**

The principal office and mailing address of the Corporation is 2364 US-90 West, Madison, FL 32340.

**Article 3.  
Purpose**

The Corporation is organized and shall be operated at all times hereafter exclusively for charitable, educational, or scientific purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 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.

**Article 4.  
Election of Directors; No Members**

The method of election or appointment of Directors shall be set forth in the bylaws of the Corporation. The Corporation shall have no Members.

**Article 5.  
Initial Officers and Directors**

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors shall be no less than three (3). The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the Initial Directors until the first regular meeting of the Board of Directors, or until their successors are duly elected or appointed, are as follows:

1. David Harper, 2364 US-90 West, Madison, FL 32340
2. Chris Andrews, 2364 US-90 West, Madison, FL 32340
3. Epp Richardson, 2364 US-90 West, Madison, FL 32340

**Article 6.  
Initial Registered Agent**

The initial registered agent of the Corporation shall be David Harper, 2364 US-90 West, Madison, FL 32340, whose acceptance of appointment as registered agent for the Corporation is set forth below.

**Article 7.  
Incorporator**

The incorporator of the Corporation is David Harper, 2364 US-90 West, Madison, FL 32340.

**Article 8.  
Officers**

The Officers of the Corporation shall be elected or appointed in the manner set forth in the bylaws of the Corporation.

**Article 9.  
Distribution on Dissolution**

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors, shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all the assets of the Corporation for one or more exempt purpose 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 such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations that will best accomplish the purposes for which the Corporation was organized.

**Article 10.  
Limitation on Corporate Powers**

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 organized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 3. 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the original subscribing Incorporator to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2023.

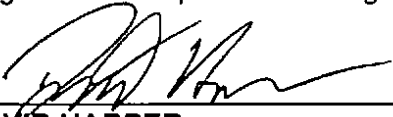
  
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**DAVID HARPER**  
Incorporator

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**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING REGISTERED AGENT  
AND REGISTERED OFFICE**

Pursuant to section 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

Having been named Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, the undersigned hereby accepts said appointment and agrees to act in this capacity. The undersigned further agrees to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of his duties and is familiar with and accepts the obligations of his position as Registered Agent.

  
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**DAVID HARPER**  
Registered Agent  
Date: October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

**MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CHARITY FUND, INC.**, desiring to organize as a not-for-profit Corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, has designated 2364 US-90 West Madison, Florida 32340, as its initial registered office and has named David Harper, located at said address, as its initial Registered Agent.

  
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**DAVID HARPER**  
Incorporator  
Date: October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

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