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Dear Sir/Ma'am,

Please file the enclosed amendments to our Articles of Incorporation and send us proof of filing. Thank you very much for all your help concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Orlando Ramirez II  
Major General, USSARRF  
Chief of Staff

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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT  
TO  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
UNITED STATES SEARCH AND RESCUE RESPONSE FORCE, INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 617.1001 and 617.1006, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Florida Non-Profit Corporation adopts the following articles of amendment to its articles of incorporation.

FIRST: Amendment (s) adopted: (indicate article number (s) being amended, added or deleted.)

Article IV (b): Amended as follows:

(b) A benevolent, non-combatant, militarily structured (USMC), all volunteer organization formed for the purpose of search, rescue, and recovery, public safety education, cadet training and educational program, and disaster assistance to Federal, State, and Local governments. An organization of volunteers in the true spirit of the volunteer.

Article V (a) paragraph 3: Amended as follows (amendment to By-Laws 2/25/93):

The following members of the Executive Committee elected at the annual meeting, and at all times thereafter shall serve for a term of four (4) years "term of office" and may be re-elected to office for one additional four (4) years term;

- (a) The Commandant
- (b) The Assistant Commandant
- (c) The Chief of Staff
- (d) The National Financial Officer
- (e) The National Administrative Officer

All other corporate officers shall serve from the date appointed or elected until relieved of that position, by the Commandant, or upon recommendation of the Assistant Commandant or Chief of Staff. The articles of incorporation hereby grants the organization the authority to modify the election/re-election proceedings and terms of office, and that these modifications be made/stated in the organization's By-Laws.

Article V (a): Add following paragraph (amendment to By-Laws, 02/25/93):

The Founders of the Corporation are exempt from the election and re-election requirements set forth in the articles of incorporation. They may, at their option, continue to fill the posts as outlined in the organization's By-Laws (as approved by unanimous vote of the Executive Committee), until they retire from active service from USSARRF.

Article V (b): Amended as follows:

(b) CORPORATE OFFICERS. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following officers: The Commandant, Assistant Commandant, National Chief of Staff, National Administrative Officer, National Finance Officer, Division Commanders, and other such officers as the By-Laws of the corporation may authorize.

Article VI (a): Amended as follows:

(a) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, Executive Committee members, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation (i.e., reimbursements, salaries) for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article IV hereof.

Article VIII: Add following section:

(d) Termination and Non-Renewal of Membership; membership in the United States Search And Rescue Response Force (USSARRF) is not a right but a privilege, conditioned on adherence to regulations and compliance with the lawful orders of superiors. Membership in USSARRF may be terminated at any time for cause IAW the Uniform Disciplinary Code (USSARRF Regulation 10-1), or for cause by a vote of 2/3 of the Executive Committee, or as specified by Florida Statutes 617.0601, 617.0808 and 617.0842.

Article X: Changed as follows; Paragraph (1) changed to paragraph (2) and ADD "NEW" paragraph (1):

(1) The corporation shall adopt, a set of By-Laws for the purpose of managing the affairs of the corporation. The power to alter, amend, or repeal the By-Laws or adopt new By-Laws shall be vested on the Executive Committee or as otherwise provided by the By-Laws. The corporation shall also be empowered to adopt "Emergency By-Laws, and Emergency Powers" as specified by Florida Statute 617.0207 and 617.0303.

