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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FLORIDA'S VOICE OF THE RETARDED, INC. A Plorida Not-for-Profit Corporation

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The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following.

I.

## NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of this corporation shall be Florida's Voice of the Retarded, Inc.

II.

## ADDRESS OF CORPORATION

The name and address in the State of Florida of this corporation's initial principal place of business and its mailing address is c/o Arlene Lakin, Esq., 5591 N.E. 28th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308.

III.

## PURPOSES

The specific purpose of this corporation is to provide information, support and advocacy services on behalf of persons with mental retardation in keeping with their individual and group needs. In addition, this corporation shall foster the development of comprehensive programs on behalf of persons with mental retardation; further research on all aspects of mental retardation, including cause and prevention, treatment and methods of special education; counsel parents of persons with mental retardation; promote the expansion of larger residential centers into teaching centers for medical professionals; and make educational resources available to parents, friends, and other advocates of persons with mental retardation.

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code of 1986 [\$501(c)(3)], or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, and is also organized under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in

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furtherance of the purposes of this corporation, and 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 Sec. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Sec.170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall inurs to the benefit of any trustee, officer or private person thereof, or to the benefit of any private person, except that the corporation shall be organized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distribution in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III.

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of lobbying or propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

IV.

## ELECTION AND/OR APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS

The method for the election and/or appointment of directors shall be as provided for in the By-laws.

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## REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address in the State of Florida of this corporation's initial registered agent for service of process is Arlens Lakin, Esq., 5591 N.E. 28th Avenue, Fort L. uderdale, Florida 33308.

VI.

#### INCORPORATORS

The name and address of each incorporator are as follows: Arlene Lakin, Esq., 5591 N.E. 28th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308.

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VII.

#### MUNICIPALITY

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors which shall initially consist of not less than three (3) directors.

VIII.

#### MOITUJORBIG

Upon the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a not-for-profit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Sec. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

IX.

## AMENDMENTS

- (a) <u>By-laws:</u> The By-laws of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to or new By-laws may be adopted by following the procedures set forth therefore in the By-laws.
- (b) Articles of Incorporation: The Articles of Incorporation of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to or new provisions/Articles may be adopted by following the procedures set forth therefore in the By-laws.

The undersigned 'acorporator has executed these Articles of

Incorporation this 8th day of March, 1995.

Signature of Incorporators

AKCENII LAKIN, EBO., Incorporator

I hereby declare that I am the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, which execution is my act and deed.

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ARLENE LAKIN, ESQ., Incorporator

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# CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION

# REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501 OR 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

- The name of the corporation is: Florida's Voice of the Retarded, Inc.
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Arlene Lakin, Esq. 5591 N.E. 28th Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308

Having been named as regimtered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this cortificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. Turther agree to comply with the provision of all statutes religious the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

JULENE LAKIN ESO.

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