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SUBJECT: POST NAME CUDJOE KEY POST NO 8683 VETERANS OF
FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC.
Ref. Number: W96000015669

We have received your document for POST NAME CUDJOE KEY POST NO 8683 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

State the exact name of the corporation in the title of the articles and in Article 1, and anywhere else it may appear in the document.

The designation of the registered office and the registered agent, both at the same Florida street address, must be contained within the document pursuant to Florida Statutes. The registered agent must sign accepting the designation as required by Florida Statutes.

The document must contain written acceptance by the registered agent, (i.e. "I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation"); and the registered agent's signature.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF

POST NO. 8683

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, relating to corporations not for profit, the undersigned persons do hereby constitute themselves into a non-profit corporation and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation in accordance with said Statute.

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this corporation shall be POST NO. 8683,
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSES

The general nature and purpose of the corporation shall be:

(a) Fraternal, patriotic, historical and educational; to preserve and strengthen comradeship among its members, to assist worthy comrades, to perpetuate the memory and history of our dead and to assist their widows and orphans, to maintain true allegiance and fidelity to the Constitution of the United States and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and its By-Laws; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; to preserve and defend the United States from all her enemies, whomsoever.

(b) To take by gift, devise, purchase or in any manner, whatsoever, real and personal property, and to sell, transfer, mortgage, lease or rent in any manner whatsoever, the same, and to do all things necessary and essential thereto for the benefit of the corporation.

(c) To do all things necessary and essential to carry on the activities, rehabilitation, welfare and social work of the Post, including establishment and operation of club rooms and other financial operations for the purpose of obtaining the net profits therefrom for the use and purpose of the Post.

(d) The said POST NO. 8683, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC., shall at all times remain under the jurisdiction of, and be governed according to the Constitution, By-Laws and Manual of Procedure of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. In the event that any provisions of these Articles of Incorporation conflicts with the National Charter and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, such conflicting provisions shall be deemed null and void, the National Charter and By-Laws shall, at all times, govern.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Any person who has served honorably as an officer or enlisted person on active duty, honorably discharged, released to inactive duty or returned, shall be eligible for membership

(1) Whose service in the armed forces of the United States in any foreign war, insurrection or expedition is recognized as campaign medal service and governed by the authorization of the issuance of a campaign badge (medal) by the Government of the United States of America; and

(2) Who is a citizen of the United States

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

(Continued)

The active and voting membership of this corporation shall at all times be confined to the active membership in good standing in POST NO. 8683
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC. with eligibility to, acquiring of, suspension from, and discontinuance of membership being in accordance with the National Constitution and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

ARTICLE IV - TERM

This corporation shall have a perpetual existence, subject to the laws and provisions of the State of Florida and the Constitution and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

ARTICLE V - SUBSCRIBERS

The names and residences of the subscribers of this Corporation are as follows:

Post Commander MILFORD C. GOSSARD, 22824 BLUEGILL LN. CUDJOE KEY, FL. 33042
Post Sr. Vice Commander GEORGE W. COLLINS, 9H 5th AVE. KEY WEST, FL. 33040
Post Quartermaster RAUL SIBILA, 406Y YARD ARM RD. SUMMERLAND KEY FL. 33042

ARTICLE VI - MANAGEMENT & ELECTIONS

The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of this Corporation and shall consist of the Post Commander, the Post Sr. Vice Commander and the Post Quartermaster, and they shall be elected at a regular meeting to be held during the month of April each and every year. Actions of the Board of Directors as set forth herein shall be at all times subject to the approval of the Post.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS

The names and addresses of the Officers who are to serve until their successors are duly elected and installed, are as follows:

Post Commander MILFORD C. GOSSARD, 22824 BLUEGILL LN. CUDJOE KEY, FL. 33042
Post Sr. Vice Commander GEORGE W. COLLINS, 9H 5th AVE. KEY WEST, FL. 33040
Post Adjutant RAUL W. SIBILA, 406Y YARD ARM RD. SUMMERLAND KEY, FL. 33042
Post Quartermaster RAUL W. SIBILA, 406Y YARD ARM RD. SUMMERLAND KEY, FL. 33042

All of the above shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Post to be held during the month of April of each and every year except the Adjutant who shall be appointed by the Commander on the night of installation or as soon thereafter as possible.

ARTICLE VIII - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

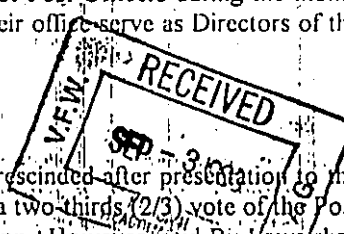
The corporation shall have not less than three (3) Directors and the initial Board of Directors shall be as follows:

Post Commander MILFORD C. GOSSARD, 22824 BLUEGILL LN. CUDJOE KEY, FL. 33042
Post Sr. Vice Commander GEORGE W. COLLINS, 9H 5th AVE. KEY WEST, FL. 33040
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The above Directors shall serve until the next election of Post Officers during the month of April of each and every year and who by virtue of their office serve as Directors of the corporation.

ARTICLE IX - BY-LAWS

By-Laws for this corporation may be made, altered, or rescinded after presentation to the Post by any member in good standing and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Post membership present in good standing at a noticed meeting. However, said By-Laws shall not conflict with the National Charter, Constitution, By-Laws and Manual of Procedure of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, nor shall they conflict with the By-Laws of the Department having jurisdiction and provided a copy of same shall be



... approved through channels, and reviewed by the Commander-in-Chief before becoming effective.

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be made after presentation to the Post by any member in good standing and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Post membership present and in good standing at a noticed meeting. However, said Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation shall be in accordance with the Laws of the State of Florida, and in accordance with the National Charter, Constitution, By-Laws and Manual of Procedure of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, and further, they shall be in accordance with the Department having jurisdiction and provided a copy of same shall be forwarded, through channels, and reviewed by the Commander-in-Chief before becoming effective.

ARTICLE XIII - MISCELLANEOUS

In the event of a dissolution of this corporation all of the assets shall be the property of POST NO. 8683 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC. and in the event of the simultaneous dissolution of this corporation and of the forfeiture of the charter issued by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States to said subordinate unit, then, and in that event, title to all of the assets of this corporation shall pass to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States to be disposed of in accordance with the National By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the said Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. At no time shall the assets of the corporation be distributed among the individual members thereof.

ARTICLE XIV - ADDRESS AND REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The address and principal place of business of this corporation shall be (Street, Highway, Road Address) 22824 BLUEGILL LANE, CUDJOE KEY, FLORIDA 33042

ARTICLE XV - DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

A designation of registered office and registered agent at the same address, (must be in the State of Florida), must be contained within the Articles of Incorporation and the registered agent must sign accepting that designation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 19th Day of August, 1976. (All subscribers (Article V) must sign and their signatures acknowledged).

Wilford C. Gossard
Robert Collins L.S.
Karl A. Rikila L.S.

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I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation.

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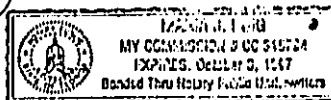
JOHN J. SENK, JR.
 ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL

Wilford C. Gossard
 WILFORD C. GOSSARD
 COMMANDER
 CUDJOE KEY
 V.F.W. POST NO. 8683

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MONROE

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before
me this August 19, 19 96 by _____
(Date) _____ are
Milford C. Gonnard, George W. Collins, Raul A. Sibila, who is/are
personally known to me

Maria J. Puig, Notary Public,
Commission NO. _____



MARIA J. PUIG
(Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

(SEAL ABOVE)

THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE
ATTACHED TO THE DOCUMENT
DESCRIBED AT RIGHT:

Title or type of Document _____

Articles of Incorporation
VFW of U.S. Cudjoe Key Post # 8683

Number of Pages 8

Date of Document August 19, 1996

Signer(s) Other than Named
Above _____

Sylvia Sibila

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