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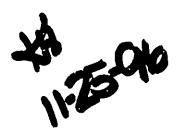
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SUBJECT: THE RAINBOW CONNECTION FOR THE DEAF, INC.

Enclosed please find an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation for the above corporation and check in the amount of \$122.50.

FROM:

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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### THE RAINBOW CONNECTION FOR THE DEAF, INC.

The undersigned incorporators, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: THE RAINBOW CONNECTION FOR THE DEAF, INC.

#### ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

11310 Pine Forest Drive New Port Richey, Florida 34654

#### ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose of the corporation is to provide services for the hearing impaired.

#### ARTICLE IV ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The method of election of directors shall be stated in the bylaws of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE V INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND ADDRESS

The name and address of the initial registered agent is:

Wendi A. Herzman 11310 Pine Forest Drive New Port Richey, Florida 34654

#### ARTICLE VI INCORPORATORS

The names and street addresses of the incorporators to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Wendi A. Herzman 11310 Pine Forest Drive New Port Richey, Florida 34654

George M. Herzman 11310 Pine Forest Drive New Port Richey, Florida 34654

Leo J. Wienke 2090 59th Street N. Clearwater, Florida 34620

Christa Bryant 17434 Shady Hills Road Spring Hill, Florida 34610

Robert Deluca 8833 Gum Tree Avenue New Port Richey, Florida 34652

Ann Deluca 8833 Gum Tree Avenue New Port Richey, Florida 34652

Vincent Vigilante 12346 Drake Lane Spring Hill, Florida 34609

The	undersigned	have execut	ed these Articles	of Incorporation
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#### CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

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Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.0501, Florida Statutes 4/5 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.

- 1. The name of the corporation is: THE RAINBOW CONNECTION FOR THE DEAF, INC.
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Wendi A. Herzman 11310 Pine Forest Drive New Port Richey, Florida 34654

SIGNATURE Windi J.
(Corpoyate officer)

TITLE Sylvature Durton.

DATE 1/6/96

HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATING TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE OBLIGATIONS OF MY POSITION AS REGISTERED AGENT.

SIGNATURE

DATE

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N96000006003 Address Thelian sous connection for the direct, Inc. 1/3/0 PINE FOREST DR. New FORT Richey FL 34654 Office Use Only BER(S), (if known): (Corporation Name) 100002067771--1 -01/24/97--01058--019 \*\*\*\*\*35.00 \*\*\*\*\*35.00 (Document #) (Corporation Name) (Document #) (Corporation Name) (Document #) (Corporation Name) (Document #) Pick up time \_ Certified Copy ☐ Walk in □ Will wait Photocopy Certificate of Status Mail out AMENDMENTS NEW FILINGS Profit Amendment NonProfit Resignation of R.A., Officer/ Director Limited Liability Change of Registered Agent Domestication Dissolution/Withdrawal Merger

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# ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

of

THE RAINBOW CONNECTION FOR THE DEAF, INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006	i, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Florida nonprofit
corporation adopts the following articles of an	nendment to its orticles of incorporation.

FIRST: Amendment(s) adopted: (INDICATE ARTICLE NUMBER(S) BEING AMENDED, ADDED OR DELETED.)

AMEND ARTICLE III TO READ AS FOLLOWS: (SEE ATTACHED)

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SECOND:	The date of adoption of the amend	amendment(s) was:			
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	PRESIDENT	JANUARY 20,1997			
	Title	Date			

#### THE RAINBOW CONNECTION FOR THE DEAF, INC.

#### ARTICLE III AMENDED- PURPOSE

The general nature of the objects and purposes of this corporation shall be as follows:

- 1. To assist, encourage, and promote the well being of the deaf, hearing-impaired and deaf-blind individuals regardless of race, color or creed, through any one or more of the following means:
  - a. Making available resource materials to the above individuals so that they will better understand the law as it pertains to their rights.
  - b. To allow the above individuals to exercise their rights by providing malified interpreters, (as defined in Federal Guidelines as those persons "who can accurately and fluently express and receive in sign language".)

    Interpreting services will be provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by appointment. An emergency interpreting service will be made available to all local and government agencies, including, police, ambulance, fire and hospitals on a 24 hours day, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year. This interpreting service is available during normal business hours. After hours calls will be transferred to a designated on call interpreter.
  - c. To work diligently with the public and private agencies to educate them on ADA Law. To work with these agencies to help comply with Federal Law, by providing interpreters and relay calls. Also through classes and in-services educate those agencies and anyone interested on the language, culture, needs and laws for the above individuals.
  - d. Provide relay services during normal business hours. Also provide the necessary forms to obtain TDD equipment and other auxiliary aids such as vibrating alarms, lighted smoke and carbon-monoxide detectors, signal 'lashers, volume controls and captioning devices.
  - e. Social services will be provided to enhance the relationship between all individuals, especially between professionals and those individuals this organization is established to serve. These activities are not limited to just the following: club meetings, advisory Council Meetings, picnics, and silent dinners.

#### THE RAINBOW CONNECTION FOR THE DEAF, INC.

#### ARTICLE III AMENDED - CONTINUED

- 2. This corporation hall at all times be operated and conducted exclusively for the charitable and educational purposes herein above set forth, and all property of this corporation shall be used exclusively for such purposes. This corporation shall at all times be operated and conducted in conformity with the following additorial provisions:
  - a. All of the activities of this corporation shall be carried on in the State of Florida, primarily for the benefit of the inhabitants of Pas-o and Hernando Counties.
  - b. No part of the net earning of the corporation shall in sure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and enpowered to pay reasonable compensations for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate 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 permitted to be carried on any other activities
    - 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.
    - b. notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

In the event of dissolution, all assets real or personal shall be distributed to the "Friends For The Deaf Service Center" P.O. BOX 2730 Pincilas Park, Florida 33781-2730. If for any reason this is not possible, than the above assets shall be distributed to other such organizations serving the deaf as are qualified as tax exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding provisions of a future U.S. Internal revenue Law.