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March 4, 1998

Honorable Sandra B. Mortham  
Secretary of State  
Division of Corporations  
PL02 The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250

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Re: MANDARIN AMERICAN LEGION POST 372, INC.

Dear Mrs. Mortham:

Please find enclosed the original and one (1) copy of the Certificate of Incorporation of MANDARIN AMERICAN LEGION POST 372, INC. I have enclosed my check in the amount of \$122.50 to cover the following:

Filing Fee	\$ 35.00
Certified Copy	52.50
Registered Agent Designation	35.00

Would you please be kind enough to furnish to me a Certified Copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Gary D. Smith*

GARY D. SMITH  
11841 Mandarin Road  
Jacksonville, FL 32223  
or

Duval County Courthouse  
330 E. Bay St., Room M-113  
Jacksonville, Fla 32202

Phone 630-1166

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

MANDARIN AMERICAN LEGION POST 372, INC.

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes Annotated, do hereby adopt and make this Certificate of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I.

The name of the Corporation shall be:

MANDARIN AMERICAN LEGION POST 372, INC.

ARTICLE II.

The general nature of the business and the objects and purposes to be transacted and carried on are: To do any all things herein mentioned as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, vis:

(a) To provide services to Veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States of America subject to the authority of the National American Legion and the American Legion Department of Florida.

(b) To carry on, conduct and engage in any activities or businesses incident to the above.

(c) To do any and all things and to have, possess, exercise and enjoy all the rights, privileges and powers incidental to any or all of the foregoing businesses which are necessary or convenient for the full and complete exercise and performance of the same; to have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges incident to corporations organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III.

This is a not for profit corporation.

ARTICLE IV.

This corporation shall have perpetual existence unless sooner dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE V.

The principal place of business of said corporation shall be

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4517 Crosstie Road North, Jacksonville, FL 32257 (Mailing Address: Post Office Box 23411, Jacksonville, FL 32241-3411), in Duval County, Florida, with branches at such other place or places within or without the United States of America as the incorporator may from time to time determine and resolve.

ARTICLE VI.

The management of this corporation shall be conducted by the Officers. The method of election or appointment of the Directors shall be contained in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII.

The name and post office address of the incorporator of this Corporation is: GARY D. SMITH, 11841 Mandarin Road, Jacksonville, FL 32223.

ARTICLE VIII.

The names and post office addresses of the officers of this corporation who will hold office on the first year of existence of this corporation or until their successors are elected or appointed and have qualified, are as follows:

Commander:	Walt Chessa (D)	4517 Crostie Rd. N. Jacksonville, FL 32257
1st Vice Commander:	Gary D. Smith (D)	11841 Mandarin Rd. Jacksonville, FL 32223
Finance & Adjutant:	Richard M. Huston (D)	11248 Caboose Ct. Jacksonville, FL 32257
Historian	James S. Pafias (D)	5022 Azure St. Jacksonville, FL 32258
Sergeant at Arms & Judge Advocate	Robert McVeigh III (D)	4150 Cumbrian Gardens Ln. Jacksonville, FL 32257
Service	Harold Seidel (D)	8633 St. Patrick Ave. Jacksonville, FL 32216
Chaplin	Donald E. Grant (D)	8336 Bascom Rd. Jacksonville, FL 32216
Executive Committee:	Robert J. Cribb (D)	10856 Percheron Dr. Jacksonville, FL 32257
	Lloyd R. Johnson (D)	7808 Blakeford Mill Ln Jacksonville, FL 32256

\* (D) DENOTES DIRECTOR

ARTICLE IX.

The Registered Agent of this Corporation shall be Walt Chessa,  
4517 Crosstie Road North, Jacksonville, FL 32257.

ARTICLE X.

This corporation shall have such by-laws as are necessary to satisfy the statutory provisions of the laws of Florida. The officers of the corporation shall be a Commander, 1st Vice Commander, Finance & Adjutant, Historian, Sergeant at Arms & Judge Advocate, Service, Chaplin, and Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XI.

No contract or other transaction between this corporation and any other corporation shall be affected by the fact that any officer of this corporation is interested in, or is an officer of, such other corporation, and any officer, individually or jointly, may be a party to or may be interested in, any contract or transaction of the corporation or in which this corporation is interested; and no contract, or other transaction of this corporation with any person, firm, or corporation, shall be affected by the fact that any officer of this corporation is a party in any way connected with such person, firm, or corporation, and every person who may become an officer of this corporation is hereby relieved from any liability that might otherwise exist from contracting with the corporation for the benefit of himself or any firm, association, or corporation in which he may be in any way interested.

The undersigned, being the subscriber for the purpose of forming a corporation to do business within and without the State of Florida, does make and file this Certificate, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true, and

accordingly have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of  
March, 1998.

Gary D. Smith  
GARY D. SMITH

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF DUVAL

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared GARY D. SMITH, who is personally known to me and who acknowledged the said aforesaid Certificate to be his act and deed, and being first duly sworn, states that the facts therein set forth are true and correct.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office, this 9 day of  
March, 1998.

Norma S. St John  
Notary Public, State of Florida  
at Large  
My Commission Expires: Norma S. St John  
My Commission No. CC508262 MY COMMISSION # CC508262 EXPIRES



February 4, 2000  
BONDED THRU TROY FAIR INSURANCE, INC.

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE  
OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 48.091, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE  
FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

FIRST -- THAT MANDARIN AMERICAN LEGION POST 372, INC.  
(Name of Corporation)

DESIRING TO ORGANIZE OR QUALIFY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA,  
WITH ITS PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AT CITY OF Jacksonville,  
STATE OF FLORIDA, HAS NAMED WALT CHESSA,  
LOCATED AT 4517 Crosstie Road North, Jacksonville, FL 32257,

(STREET ADDRESS AND NUMBER OF BUILDING)  
(POST OFFICE BOX ADDRESSES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE)

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, STATE OF FLORIDA, AS ITS AGENT TO  
ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA.

SIGNATURE: Gary D. Smith

GARY D. SMITH  
(CORPORATE OFFICER)

TITLE: 1st Vice Commander

DATE: March 9, 1998

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE  
STATED CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY  
AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY, AND I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE  
PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE  
OF MY DUTIES.

SIGNATURE: Walt Chessa

WALT CHESSA

DATE: March 12, 1998

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