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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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# 98 APR -9 MM 9: 16. SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE. FLORIDA.

### DEAF EXPERIENCE ASSOCIATION, INC.

The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is a natural person competent to contract and hereby form a non profit Corporation under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

#### **ARTICLE 1 - NAME**

The name of the Corporation is **DEAF EXPERIENCE ASSOCIATION**, **INC.**, (hereinafter, "Corporation).

#### <u>ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE OF CORPORATION</u>

The Corporation shall engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida mainly to increase availability, resources and leadership within the deaf community.

#### **ARTICLE 3 - PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The address of the principal office of this Corporation is 2906 Squire Oak Court, St. Cloud, Florida 34769 and the mailing address is the same.

#### **ARTICLE 4 - INCORPORATOR**

The name and street address of the incorporator of this Corporation is:

Elsie Sanchez 343 Almeria Avenue Coral Gables, Florida 33134

#### **ARTICLE 5 - OFFICERS**

The officers of the Corporation shall be:

President:

Reinaldo J. Vega

Executive Vice President:

Patricia Jo Filippi

Vice President:

Nilda T. Roman

Secretary:

James O. Arce

Treasurer:

Joseph Jones

whose addresses shall be the same as the principal address of the Corporation.



#### **ARTICLE 6 - DIRECTORS**

The Directors shall be elected by a majority vote of the Members of this Corporation. The Directors of the Corporation shall be:

Angela Roth Robert Lyons Hilda Colondres

whose addresses shall be the same as the principal address of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE 7 - TERM OF EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### **ARTICLE 8 - CAPITAL STOCK**

This Corporation shall have no capital stock and shall be composed of members rather than shareholders.

#### ARTICLE 9 - QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

The categories of membership, qualifications for membership and the manner of admission shall be as set forth in and regulated by the By Laws of the Corporation.

#### <u>ARTICLE 10 - VOTING RIGHTS</u>

Members of the Corporation will have such voting rights as are provided in the By Laws of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE 11 - LIABILITIES FOR DEBTS**

Neither the members nor the members of the Board of Directors or officers of the Corporation shall be liable for the debts of the Corporation.



#### <u>ARTICLE 12 - REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT</u>

The initial address of registered office of this Corporation is AmeriLawyer®, located at 343 Almeria Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134. The name and address of the registered agent of this Corporation is AmeriLawyer®, 343 Almeria Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134.

#### ARTICLE 13 - EFFECTIVE DATE

These Articles of Incorporation shall be effective immediately upon approval of the Secretary of State, State of Florida.

#### **ARTICLE 15 - AMENDMENT**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the Members, and approved at a Members meeting by a majority of the Members, unless all the Directors and all the Members sign a written statement manifesting their intention that a certain amendment of these Articles of Incorporation be made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, acknowledged and filed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation under the laws of the State of Florida, this \_\_\_\_\_APR 9 1998 \_\_\_\_.

Elsie Sanchez, Incorporator

# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

AmeriLawyer®, having a business office identical with the registered office of the Corporation name above, and having been designated as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under the applicable provisions of the Florida Statutes.

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Lawrence J. Spiegel, President

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