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SUBJECT:

Alley Cat Rescue, Inc.

(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00
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☒ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certificate

☐ \$122.50
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$131.25
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM:

Laurel Wessels

Name (Printed or typed)

4442 McIntosh Park Dr, Suite 1104

Address

Sarasota, FL 34232

City, State & Zip

(941) 379-5129

Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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ALLEY CAT RESCUE

5830 HAGERMAN RD., SARASOTA, FL 34232 (941)378-0233

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ARTICLE I

1. The official name of this organizaion shall be Alley Cat Rescue, Inc.
2. The organization may at it's pleasure, by a vote of the Board of Directors, change it's name.

ARTICLE II

1. The place in this state where the principal office of the organization is to be located is the city of Sarasota, Sarasota County, Sarasota, FL.
2. The mailing address of this organization shall be 5830 Hagerman Rd., Sarasota, FL 34232.

ARTICLE III

1. This organization's primary purpose shall be to establish, maintain, supervise expand, and carry out a recognized program to control the breeding of domestic animals, specifically feral and abandoned stray cats.
2. The extension of humane education to the public regarding pet overpopulation and prevention of cruelty to animals.
3. To maintain animals (primarily but not limited to, tameable feral kittens and stray cats), in the foster care program of this organization as space and finances allow. All animals in foster homes shall be kept in sanitary and pleasant conditions, and in compliance with appropriate state and county ordinances. Needed medical care will be provided by a veterinarian. Animals will be treated humanely at all times.
4. To find permanent homes for animals in the foster care program. Adoptive parents must meet the requirements set forth in the "Adoption Application."

ARTICLE IV

1. Membership in this organization shall be open to all who demonstrate their love of animals by supporting the activities of this organization.
2. Basic Classes: the basic classes of membership shall be Individual, defined as an individual paying dues of \$15 per year; Family, defined as a couple paying dues of \$20 per year; and Corporate, defined as a business or other entity paying dues of \$30 per year.
3. Patrons: upon tender of endowments, grants, the recording of irrevocable bequests in favor of the organization, or similar devices of gifting, with

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substantial net cash values as the Board may establish from time to time, any member may be enrolled as a Patron in such classes as the Board may set. Patrons shall be entitled to further honors and distinctions as the Board may establish.

ARTICLE V

- 1. Offices: There shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Public Relations director.*
- 2. Term Comencement: Officers shall assume official duties following installation at each annual January Meeting of the Board.*
- 3. Minimum Duties of Officers:*
 - a. The President shall: Be the executive officer, preside over all meetings, be on the bank record to sign checks, be an ex-officio member of all committees, and shall perform other duties pertaining to that office.*
 - b. The Vice President shall: Preside over meetings in the absence of the President, assist the Public Relations director with duties, be on the bank record to sign checks, and perform other such duties as pertaining to that office.*
 - c. The Treasurer shall: Receive and disburse funds on order of the Board, sign checks present bills to the Board, or such officer as the Board may designate, and record payment of membership dues and donations. The accounts and books kept by the Treasurer shall be open at all times for inspection by any Board member or auditor authorized by the Board. The Treasurer shall report on the financial condition of the organization at such times as the Board may direct.*
 - d. The Secretary shall: Keep records of membership and minutes of official meetings, keep official documents, receive and prepare correspondence.*
 - e. The Public Relations Director shall: Be responsible for writing, editing, publishing quarterly newsletter, create and schedule fundraising activities, write press releases, and solicitation for membership and donation letters, coordinate speaking engagements and presentations, coordinate educational forums to spread the message of the mission of the organization.*
 - f. Vacancies: All vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the remaining board members for the balance of the vacant term.*

ARTICLE VI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. The Board shall consist of all the Officers, plus three (3) Board Members At-Large (herein called Directors), elected annually for one year terms by a majority vote.
 - a. The term "Board" shall mean the officers and elected directors in any session.
 - b. A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum and the meeting of the Board shall meet on a monthly basis, as the President shall determine from time to time. Any form of notice shall be sufficient.
 - c. Minimum Duties: Directors shall: partake with officers in the making of rules and regulations, budget approval, expense approval, counsel of committees, and general management decisions of the organization.
 - d. Vacancies: Vacancies of Director seats on the Board shall be filled as herein provided for officers. No act of this organization shall be void at any time because there are fewer than three (3) directors in office due to vacancies.
2. Special Board Meetings: will be held as deemed necessary by the President or majority of Board Members.
3. Directors and members shall be classed as volunteers and shall not receive any salaries or fees for their services but may be reimbursed for any expenses incurred in fulfilling their duties with approval from the Board.

ARTICLE VII

INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

1. The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent is:
Laurel Wessels, 4442 McIntosh Park Dr., Suite 1104, Sarasota, FL 34232

ARTICLE VIII
INCORPORATOR

1. The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is: Laurel Wessels, 4442 McIntosh Park Dr., Suite 1104, Sarasota, FL 34232

Laurel Wessels
Signature/Incorporator

July 1, 1998
Date

Having been named as a 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.

Laurel Wessels
Signature/Registered Agent

July 1, 1998
Date