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Division of Corporations  
Florida Department of State  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Hope for the Handicapped  
International, Inc.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced corporation to be filed with your office. I have also enclosed a check in the amount of \$122.50 which represents the following:

Filing fee	\$35.00
Certified copy	52.50
Registered Agent	35.00

I have also enclosed a copy of the Articles of Incorporation for your use in certifying the same. Please return the certified copy to me at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Yours very truly,

*Marge McLain*  
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Legal Assistant

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

HOPE FOR THE HANDICAPPED INTERNATIONAL, INC.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that we, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida, and that we have adopted and do hereby certify the following as our Articles of Incorporation.

### ARTICLE I. - NAME

The name of this corporation shall be HOPE FOR THE HANDICAPPED INTERNATIONAL, INC., and its principal place of business shall be 120 Roberts Lane, Palatka, Florida 32177, and its mailing address shall be P. O. Box 1607, Palatka, Florida 32178, with the privilege and right of establishing and maintaining such other place or places of business and offices and agencies elsewhere in the State of Florida, and in any other state of the United States other than the State of Florida, as the Corporation may hereinafter desire and determine.

### ARTICLE II. - PURPOSE

The general nature of the business or businesses to be transacted by the Corporation shall be to transact any or all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. A further purpose of this corporation shall be to

1. Receive and distribute money, equipment, supplies and material which will serve that population of the under developed countries who are physically impaired by birth, illness or accident.
2. Procuring and sending out medical teams to under developed countries which specialize in orthopaedics, rehabilitation and orthotics and prosthetics. These teams will.
  - A. Participate in surgical and rehabilitative efforts.
  - B. Be involved in the education and training of nationals.
  - C. Assist in the development of centers of rehabilitation and/or schools which teach rehabilitation.

- D. Help to develop centers and/or schools for orthotics and prosthetics.
- E. Fulfill other related needs as they materialize.

#### **ARTICLE III. - TERM OF EXISTENCE**

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### **ARTICLE IV. - SUBSCRIBERS**

The names and residences of the subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

Jean A. Ricks-120 Roberts Lane, Palatka, FL 32177

#### **ARTICLE V. - OFFICERS**

The Officers of this corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided in the By-Laws.

The names of the persons who are to serve as Officers of this corporation until the first meeting of the Board of Directors are:

<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>NAME</b>
President	JEAN A. RICKS
Vice-President	J. PAUL REID, III
Secretary/Treasurer	ROBIN J. RICKS

The Officers shall be members of the Board of Directors, and shall be elected by the Board of Trustees in the manner provided in the By-Laws.

#### **ARTICLE VI. - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The names and addresses of the initial Board of Directors are as follows:

WEBSTER MARLOWE, 120 Kirkland Street, Palatka, FL 32177

J. PAUL REID, III, 1543 San Marco Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32207

JEAN A. RICKS, 120 Roberts Lane, Palatka, FL 32177

The Directors shall serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

#### **ARTICLE VII. - BY-LAWS**

The By-Laws of the corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be amended and changed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE VIII. - LOCATION**

HOPE FOR THE HANDICAPPED INTERNATIONAL, INC., desiring to

organize under the laws of the State of Florida, declares that its initial registered office is 120 Roberts Lane Palatka, Florida 32177. The name of its initial Registered Agent at said address is ROBIN J. RICKS, for the purpose of accepting service of process within the State. Said Registered Agent's acceptance of this designation is indicated below.

#### ARTICLE IX. - ARTICLES

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended, altered or rescinded by A 2/3 majority vote of those members present at the annual meeting or at any special meeting called for said purpose of altering, amending or rescinding the same Articles of Incorporation, as set forth in the By-Laws.

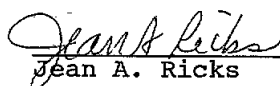
#### ARTICLE X. - POWERS

This corporation shall have the power to acquire and hold title in fee simple, in trust, or otherwise, to both real and personal property, and to improve, encumber all such property; to borrow money, execute notes, bond and other evidences of indebtedness and secure the same by mortgage and annuity bonds, and other instruments of indebtedness and pay interest thereon; to improve, adapt and use it's property or the income thereof in it's religious, educational, benevolent, or social activities, without financial profit to it's members, except as may be necessary in the payment of salaries or other compensation for services rendered.

#### ARTICLE XI. - DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

No person, firm or corporation shall receive any dividend or share in the income from the undertakings of this corporation, and upon dissolution of this corporation all assets remaining after payment of the costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed as provided in the By-Laws of the corporation and none of the assets shall be distributed to any member, officer or director of this corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, as Incorporators, have executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation this 20 day of July, A. D. 1998.

  
Jean A. Ricks

The undersigned, having been named to accept service of process for the above Corporation at the place indicated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, does hereby agree to act in said capacity, and agrees to comply with the provisions of the Florida Statutes relative to keeping open said office.

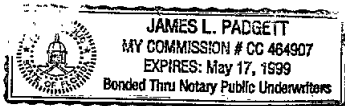
  
Robin J. Ricks  
Registered Agent

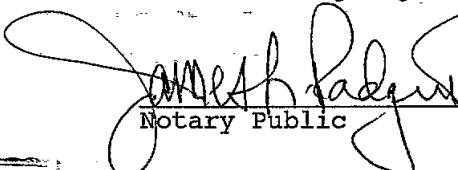
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COUNTY OF PUTNAM

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29 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of July, A. D. 1998, by JEAN A. RICKS, who is personally known to me or who has produced as identification and who executed the foregoing under oath.

My Commission expires:



  
Notary Public

Printed name of Notary

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