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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
SAO PAULO ASSOCIATION OF THE
SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA, INC.

A CORPORATION NOT FOR PROFIT

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a corporation not for profit pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

SAO PAULO ASSOCIATION OF THE
SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA, INC.

ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The address of the principal office of this corporation shall be 1101 North Congress Avenue, Suite 200, Boynton Beach, FL 33426, and the mailing address of the corporation shall be the same.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious and educational purposes within the meaning on section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization 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, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this Article.

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In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in sections 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

The purposes for which this corporation is formed, are as follows, to wit: to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a non-stock, not-for-profit corporation may be organized under the Not-For-Profit Law of the State of Florida and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to acquire by gift, devise, bequest or otherwise, and administer a fund or funds of, real or personal property, or both, of every kind and, subject to the restrictions and limitations hereinafter set forth, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal thereof exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, scientific or literary purposes, all within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), including making contributions and gifts thereof to or for the use of any corporation, trust, community chest, fund or foundation which is organized and operated exclusively for such purposes and which is exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Code.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the corporation's primary purpose is to raise funds and support the charitable mission and programs of the Sao Paulo Association of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, a Brazilian humanitarian organization whose mission is to provide humanitarian assistance in Brazil to the sick, poor, blind, elderly, handicapped, abandoned children, as well as victims of disasters, epidemics, and natural catastrophes .

ARTICLE IV - MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are to be elected or appointed is as stated in the bylaws.

ARTICLE V - NAME AND ADDRESS OF INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of these Articles is:

Thomas F. Carney, Jr.
1101 N. Congress Avenue
Suite 200
Boynton Beach, FL 33426

ARTICLE VI - DURATION

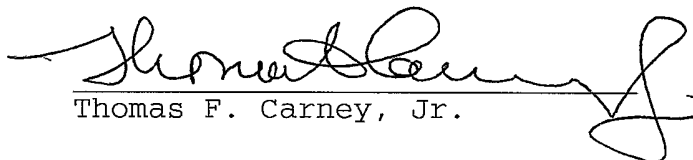
This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VI - REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation shall be 1101 N. Congress Avenue, Suite 200, Boynton Beach, Florida 33426, and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is Thomas F. Carney, Jr.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator, Thomas F. Carney, Jr., has executed these Article of Incorporation this 09 day of July, 1998.

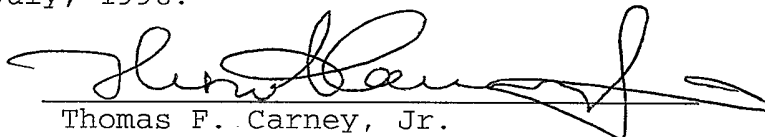
INCORPORATOR:


Thomas F. Carney, Jr.

**ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED
IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

The undersigned, Thomas F. Carney, Jr., having been named Registered Agent for Malta House, Inc. in the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under Section 607.0505 of the Florida Statutes.

Dated this 09 day of July, 1998.


Thomas F. Carney, Jr.

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