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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Corporations
Post Office Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Incorporation of Mental Health and Deafness Resources of Florida, Inc.

Dear Madam Secretary:

Enclosed you will find the original Articles of Incorporation for the above-named corporation, together with the check of Dr. Richard G. Willis in the amount of \$70.00 (\$35.00 Filing Fee; \$35.00 Registered Agent Fee). Please file the enclosed Articles of Incorporation and provide me with notification of filing and corporate registration number.

Very truly yours,


Rembert L. Lowery

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

MENTAL HEALTH AND DEAFNESS RESOURCES OF FLORIDA, INC.

A Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation

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ARTICLE I

Corporate Name, Principal Office, and Mailing Address

The name of this corporation is Mental Health and Deafness Resources of Florida, Inc., and its principal office and mailing address shall initially be 8800 49th Street North, Suite 406-6, Pinellas Park, FL 33782.

ARTICLE II

Corporate Nature

This is a not-for-profit corporation organized solely for general educational and charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not-For-Profit Law set forth in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE III

Duration

The term of existence of this corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV

Purposes

The primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are:

1. For the advancement of education and any other related or corresponding charitable purpose by the distribution of its funds for such purposes.

2. To operate exclusively in any other manner for such educational or charitable purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or under any corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, covering the distributions to organizations qualified as tax exempt organizations under said code, including private operating foundations.

The specific purpose of this corporation is to provide educational and training programs for deaf persons and those with mental health impairments, and to assist in training for caregivers and skills providers for such persons.

ARTICLE V

Membership

This corporation shall not be authorized to issue shares of stock or membership certificates. Membership shall be as established in the corporate by-laws.

ARTICLE VI

Management of Corporate Affairs

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors, consisting of not less than three (3) persons, or in such other number as may be set forth in its by-laws as they may be, from time to time, amended. The initial Board of Directors shall be

RICHARD G. WILLIS, Psy.D.

2015 Arbor Drive
Clearwater, FFL 33760

CHERYL PETTRY, C.S.C.

Post Office Box 268
Bradenton Beach, FL 34217

DALE LEE COOVERT, Ph.D.

410 Ware Boulevard, Suite 300
Tampa, FL 33619

And shall hold office until the first meeting of corporate members, at which time an election of directors shall be held. Thereafter, directors shall serve and shall meet at times and places set forth in the corporation's by-laws. The directors shall be responsible for formulating and promulgating the policy of the corporation but may, at their option relegate day-to-day operation of the corporation to the corporate president, treasurer, secretary, and such other corporate officers as the Board of Directors deems just and necessary to fully implement its policies.

ARTICLE VII

Earnings and Activities of the Corporation

No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, 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 Article IV hereof.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying out of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, including the publishing or distribution of statements on behalf of such candidate.

Any other provision of the articles notwithstanding, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), or by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of said Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), nor shall it, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

Distribution of Assets

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation, in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall, at the time, qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so distributed shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located. Such judicial disposition shall be exclusively for such purposes of to such organization or organizations as said court shall determine, which shall be organized and operated exclusively for the purposes set forth in this article.

ARTICLE IX

Subscribers

The subscribers of this corporation are:

RICHARD G. WILLIS, Psy.D.

2015 Arbor Drive
Clearwater, FL 33760

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Bradenton Beach, FL 34217

ARTICLE X

Dedication of Assets

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to educational and charitable purposes, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

ARTICLE XI

Registered Agent and Office

The name of the Registered Agent of this corporation shall be Richard E. Willis, Psy.D. and the office of the Registered Agent shall be 8800 49th Street North, Suite 406-6, Pinellas Park, FL 33782.

ARTICLE XII

Amendment of Articles

Amendment to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by resolution adopted by the Board of Directors and presented to the members for their vote as set forth in the by-laws of this corporation.

EXECUTION

We, The undersigned, being the Subscribers and Incorporators of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation this ____ day of October, 1998.

Cheryl Pettry
Witness

R. E. Willis
Witness

R. E. Willis
Subscriber

Cheryl Pettry
Subscriber

R. E. Willis
Registered Agent

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF
REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the below named corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement designating its Registered Agent and Registered Office within the State of Florida:

1. The name of the corporation is:

Mental Health and Deafness Resources of Florida, Inc.

2. The name and address of the Registered Agent is:

RICHARD G. WILLIS, Psy.D.

8800 49th Street North, Suite 406-6
Pinellas Park, FL 33782

Having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the above-named corporation at the address 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.

R. B. Winn
Registered Agent

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