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SUBJECT: Hope for Life, Inc.  
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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

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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Robert W. Wilford  
Name (Printed or typed)  
  
91 Hidden Lakes Trail  
Address  
  
DeFuniak Springs, FL 32433  
City, State & Zip  
  
(850) 547-3688  
Daytime Telephone number

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

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF

HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.

A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

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ARTICLE I - NAME

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The name of this corporation is **HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.**

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

**HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.** is organized for the following purposes:

1. To institute and maintain comprehensive prevention, intervention, and treatment domestic and sexual violence services in Holmes, Jackson, and Washington Counties (hereinafter **SERVICE AREA**).

2. To promote education throughout **SERVICE AREA** in order to enlighten all persons regarding the causes, signs, and symptoms of domestic and sexual violence.

3. To serve all persons in need of assistance in **SERVICE AREA** regardless of race, color, creed, religion, natural origin, sex, age, disability status, marital status, sexual preference, or political preference.

4. To operate in **SERVICE AREA** solely for charitable purposes within the scope and meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as amended.

5. To use income not needed for operating expenses and for maintaining suitable reserves to provide the services in **SERVICE AREA** described in paragraph one.

6. To conduct business in **SERVICE AREA** without engaging in political propaganda.

7. To ensure any assets and/or income are not distributed to its officers, directors, members, or any private individual except to the extent permitted under Florida Statutes.

8. To ensure that its members, individually or as a whole body, shall not conduct any activities not permitted to be conducted by an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3) and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereinafter be amended.

### ARTICLE III - PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.'s mailing address and its initial principal place of business will be 103 West Nebraska Street, Bonifay, Florida 32425.

### ARTICLE IV - DURATION

HOPE FOR LIFE, INC. shall have perpetual existence; however, it may be dissolved upon the vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors. In the event of the liquidation or dissolution, whether voluntary or involuntary, the assets of the corporation, after the payment of all of the debts and expenses of dissolution, shall be distributed to any corporation or entity formed and operated exclusively to receive and administer funds for scientific, educational, or charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) as amended. No part of such assets shall inure to the benefit of any officer, director, or member in the event of such liquidation or dissolution.

### ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Membership on HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.'s Board of Directors shall be open to all residents of SERVICE AREA, or to individuals who have their primary place of employment in SERVICE AREA. There shall be a maximum of twenty-one (21) members on the Board of Directors: seven (7) representing Holmes County, seven (7) representing Jackson County, and seven (7) representing Washington County. Membership from any one (1) county shall not exceed seven (7) members. The minimum membership on the Board of Directors shall be six (6) members. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as initial officers/members are:

#### Name

#### Street Address

Robert W. Wilford  
President

91 Hidden Lakes Trail  
DeFuniak Springs, FL 32433

Catherine Wynne  
Vice President

Rt. 2, Box 187  
Graceville, FL 32440

Jackie Malone  
Vice President

1082 White Avenue  
Graceville, FL 32440

Gene Halley  
Vice President

1567 Main Street  
Chipley, FL 32428

Rhonda Lee  
Secretary

953 Highway 71  
Marianna, FL 32448

Margaret Jordan  
Treasurer

4972 Camellia Drive  
Marianna, FL 32446

Members of **HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.**'s Board of Directors shall have the authority to elect members at a regularly scheduled or special meeting. Any member shall have the authority to nominate an individual for membership. A majority vote shall determine the outcome of any election.

The qualifications, different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of members, the liability of members for dues or assessments and the method of collection thereof, and the termination and transfer of membership shall be set forth in the by-laws of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VI - BY LAWS**

The by-laws of **HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.** shall be drafted and adopted by the initial members of the Board of Directors. Thereafter, such by-laws may be altered or rescinded by the members of the Board of Directors in the manner prescribed in such by-laws.

#### **ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended by the vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - SHARES OF STOCK**


**HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.** shall not have or issue any shares of stock, nor shall it pay any dividends or distribute any part of its income to its officers, directors, members, or any other private individual.

#### **ARTICLE IX - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent are: Robert W. Wilford, 103 West Nebraska Street, Bonifay, Florida 32425.

#### **ARTICLE X - INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are: Robert W. Wilford, 103 West Nebraska Street, Bonifay, Florida 32425.

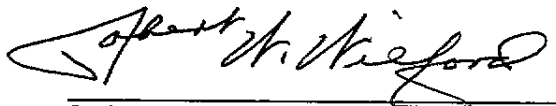
  
Robert W. Wilford  
Incorporator

4-13-99  
Date

#### **ARTICLE XI - EFFECTIVE DATE OF INCORPORATION**

The effective date of incorporation of **HOPE FOR LIFE, INC.** shall be April 8, 1999.

Having been named as 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.



Robert W. Wilford  
Registered Agent

4-13-99

Date

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned, have made and subscribed these Articles of Incorporation at Bonifay, Holmes County, Florida, for the uses and purposes aforesaid on the 13th day of April, 1999.



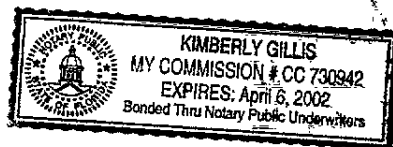
Robert W. Wilford

STATE OF FLORIDA

HOLMES COUNTY

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on the 13th day of April, 1999, by Robert W. Wilford.

  
Notary Public



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