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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE PET SHELTER, INC.

ARTICLE I NAME OF THE CORPORATION AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The name of the corporation shall be THE PET SHELTER, INC. and the address of the principal office is 25505 S.W. 182 Avenue, Homestead, Florida 33031.

ARTICLE II TERM OF EXISTENCE

The term of existence of this corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE III PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES

The purposes and objectives of the corporation shall be to provide shelter for abandoned or abused animals in the area of South Miami-Dade County, Florida.

ARTICLE IV NON-PROFIT PURPOSES AND POWERS

- 1. The corporation shall be organized and operated exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 of the U. S. Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as subsequently amended. The powers of the corporation shall be limited to only those powers permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under the appropriate section of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as subsequently amended.
- 2. No part of the income of the corporation shall be distributed to the members, directors or officers. However, nothing shall prevent a member, director or officer being paid a fair compensation for services rendered as an employee of the corporation or as a contracting party, if not in conflict with the policies regarding conflicts of interest and requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, Section 501.
- 3. In the event that the corporation shall be dissolved, voluntarily or involuntarily, the Board of Directors, after providing for the outstanding debts and obligations of the corporation shall distribute the remaining assets of the corporation to one or more charitable organizations designated by the Board of Directors which are, or may become, engaged in activities which in the judgment of the Board are, or will be similar to the purposes of this corporation and also qualified as a tax exempt corporation under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)

(3). In no event shall any of the corporation's assets be distributed to any present or former member of the corporation. ARTICLE V

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u>

- 1. Membership in the corporation shall be by nominating to membership by a nominating committee.
- 2. The specific requirements for nomination, the nominating procedure and constituency of the nominating committee shall be in accord with the requirements of the By-Laws. The By-Laws may limit the size of the membership and provide set such criteria for membership as it deems necessary and advisable.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1. The corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors who shall determine policy as set forth in the By-Laws.
- The Board of Directors shall be composed of not less than three (3) nor more than fifteen (15) persons. Members of the Board of Directors shall be members of the corporation and shall be elected as set forth in the By-Laws of the corporation.
- 3. The term of each member of the Board of Directors shall be one year. The By-Laws may set other requirements and restrictions.
- 4. The initial Board of Directors, who shall serve for one year or until their successors are elected are:

GAIL PROSEK 25505 S.W. 182 Avenue, Homestead, Florida 33031 KATHY DAVIS 15860 S.W. 280 Street, Homestead, Florida 33031 DEBBIE VILLA 1660 N.W. 13th Avenue, Homesetad, Florida 33030 DR. EDILBERTO AQUINO 15320 S.W. 58 Street, Miami, Florida 33193 TAD DEMILLY 2540 Fairways Drive, Homestead, Florida 33035 JERRY HILL 1660 Sandpiper Blvd., Homestead, Florida 33035 ALAN CROCKWELL 13900 S.W. 74 Street, Miami, Floriad 33183 S. SCOTT CHOOS 15600 S.W. 288 Street, Suite 312, Homestead, Florida 33033

ARTICLE VII OFFICERS

- 1. There shall be the following officers of the Corporation: President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as may be required by the By-Laws of the Corporation.
- The initial officers, who shall serve for one year after incorporation are:

President: GAIL PROSEK

25505 S.W. 182 Avenue Homestead, Florida 33031

Secretary:

DEBBIE VILLA

1660 N.W. 13th Avenue Homestead, Florida 33030

Treasurer:

DEBBIE VILLA

1660 N.W. 13th Avenue Homestead, Florida 33030

ARTICLE VIII

- 1. The By-Laws of the corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors.
- 2. The By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed and new By-Laws be adopted by a majority of the Board of Directors of the corporation at any regularly convened or special meeting thereof.

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors present at a regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors provided a quorum is present and the specific proposed Amendment has been mailed to each member of the corporation at least two weeks prior to the regular or special meeting and a notice of the meeting is similarly provided. The Amendment shall be effective upon acceptance by the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE X BEGINNING OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE

The corporate existence shall begin upon acceptance and approval of these Articles of Incorporation by the Department of State.

ARTICLE XI REGISTERED AGENT

Until provided otherwise by the Board of Directors the registered agent and registered office shall be:

S. SCOTT CHOOS, ESQ.
Suite 312, 15600 S.W. 288 Street
Homestead, Florida 33033

ARTICLE XII
SUBSCRIBERS

The subscribers to these Article of Incorporation and their addresses are:

GAIL PROSEK
25505 S.W. 182 Avenue
Homestead, Florida 33031

ARTICLE XIII
INDEMNIFICATION

The By-Laws may provide for indemnification of the Board of Directors, officers and employees of the Corporation.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONSENT OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been made initial Registered Agent to accept service of process of the corporation at the initial registered office designated in these Articles of Incorporation, I hereby accept such status and consent to act in this capacity and agree to comply with all the requirements of the law pertaining thereto.

S. SCOTT CHOOS, ESQ., Registered Agent

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto made, subscribed and acknowledged these Articles of Incorporation.

GAIL PROSEK

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

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NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

S. SCOTT CHOOS

My Comm Exp. 4/4/2003

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