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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Widows & Widowers Association, Inc.

(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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

\$70.00 Filing Fee

\$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy

\$87.50 Filing Fee,

opy Certified Copy

& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Widows & Widowers Association, Inc.

Name (Printed or typed)

551 West Carolina Street

Address

Tallahassee, Florida 32303

City, State & Zip

(850) 224-2139

Daytime Telephone number

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

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

## ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

Widows & Widowers Association, Inc.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

551 West Carolina Street Tallahassee, Florida 32303

ARTICLE III PURPOSE(S)

The specific purpose(s) for which the corporation is organized is(are):

To help the bereaved after the loss of a loved one. SEE ATTACHED

# ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is:

Voting by ballot from open floor nominations as stated in the bylaws. (see attached for listing of officers and directors)

## ARTICLE V INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent are:

Mr. James Rowls 551 West Carolina Street Tallahassee, Florida 32303

ARTICLE VI INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Mr. James Rowls

551 West Carolina Street

Tallahassee, Flórida 32🕅

Signature/Incorporator

(An additional article must be added if an effective date is requested.)

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.

Signature/Registered Agent

Date

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS ASSOCIATION, INC. 551 West Carolina Street Tallahassee, Florida 32303 (850) 224-2139

## EXECUTIVE BOARDS MEMBERS

Mr. James Rowls, President 2716 Setters Place Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Mrs. Bettye Stevens, Vice-President 526 Tuskegee Street Tallahassee, Florida 32310

Teresa Womble, Secretary 691 Gamble Street #149-3 Tallahassee, Florida 32307

Lisa Colson, Corresponding Secretary 816 S. Bahama Drive Tallahassee, Florida 32311

Lessie Ash, Treasurer P.O. Box 232 Woodville, Florida 32362

Rosetta Solomon, Public Relations Advisor 3861 Roberts Ave Tallahassee, Florida 32310

Charles Clark, Chaplain 535 W. 5th Ave Tallahassee, Florida 32304

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The board of directors shall consist of the elected officers and three other liaison individuals.

Mrs. Linn Ann J. Griffin 527 W. Tuskeegee Street Tallahassee, Florida 32310 Mr. Alfred Dennis 2217 Greenwich Way Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Mr. Darrell L. Lawrence 5371 Grove Valley Road Tallahassee, Florida 32303

### Scope:

- ♦ To acknowledge the need for a support group within the community, which will provide compassion to those who have experienced the loss of a loved one.
- ◆ To provide a place for those in need of comfort to share their experiences
- ♦ To help those in need to find hope and support
- ♦ To enable the recovery process

#### Purpose:

The Widows & Widowers Association is a non-profit organization. It was established to provide a purpose, vision and an accelerated level of comfort and compassion to those individuals who have experienced the loss of a loved one. We acknowledge that the duration for the healing process varies from one individual to another. But the association is committed to be there, no matter how long it takes. The association does not discriminate against age groups, race or religious and/or ethnic groups. As Christians we consider ourselves brothers and sisters in Christ. We realize that bereavement can come at any time. And it's during these distressful times, that a shoulder to cry on and a listening ear is welcomed.

The association is a foundation of Christian individuals who have experienced the loss of a loved one. These dedicated individuals are willing to extend themselves for the purpose of assisting others. The association is committed to avail themselves to help the bereaved face the loss, let go of the past and continue on with their lives. We realize that no matter how often death presents itself upon us, it's still a very distressful time to the family members. The association will be there to provide comfort.

The association meetings are held on a monthly basis. Featured speakers within the community are invited to lecture on subjects, which are of interest and would be considered as a beneficial factor for the members.

Each member is asked for a contribution of \$5.00 per month, however, if budgetary constraints prohibits the member from paying this amount, membership will not be denied. These monies are used to defray the cost of planned activities, i.e. trips, banquets and other social activities. Local vendors are contacted and asked to contribute beverages and snacks for the monthly meetings.

The association is steadily growing and striving to become an important asset within the community. Our future goal is to increase membership, continue to provide the service to those in need and gain recognition locally and nationally.