

June 4, 1999

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

> Re: Articles of Incorporation of The Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A., Inc.

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Ladies and Gentleman:

Enclosed herewith please find an original and photocopy of the Articles of Incorporation, and Registered Agent Certificate for the above-referenced corporation, together with my check in the amount of \$70.00, representing the filing fee.

After this document has been filed, please forward the photocopy to my office, with the filing number and date of filing stamped thereon. I have enclosed an addressed and stamped envelope for your convenience.

Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed document, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Thanking you for your assistance, i am

Very truly yours,

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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OF

GENERAL CASIMIR PULASKI, POST 204,

THE POLISH LEGION OF AMERICAN VETERANS, U.S.A., INC.

THE UNDERSIGNED, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes and the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this corporation is GENERAL CASIMIR PULASKI, POST 204, THE POLISH LEGION OF AMERICAN VETERANS, U.S.A., INC.

ARTICLE II

Address

The initial street address of the corporation is Post Office Box 740111, Orange City, Florida 32763.

ARTICLE III

Duration

The term of existence of this corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV

Purposes

Section 1: The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively those of a veterans' organization, within the intent and meaning of Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States law.

Section 2: Notwithstanding any other provision in these Articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States law.

Section 3: In accordance with Sections 1 and 2, above, the corporation shall:

- A. Uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America and all the principles for which it stands.
- B. Encourage active interest in all manifestations and demonstrations of a patriotic nature, that the glory and sanctity of American ideals may be forever preserved.
- C. Protect the good name of Americans of Polish ancestry against unfriendly attacks and against attempts to belittle their contributions to the progress and development of the United States of America.
- D. Insure that all individuals, especially those of Polish ancestry, shall not be alienated from, but shall receive positive support from, curriculum and teaching considerations and from the textbooks and reference materials used in our schools, concerning Poles and Polish-Americans.

- E. Combat the destructive propaganda of Communism and other alien influences endeavoring to weaken or destroy our American institutions and democratic form of government.
- F. Maintain and preserve the true spirit of fraternity and patriotism arising from the sacrifices in the wars and conflicts of the United States of America, and to perpetuate friendships and associations arising therefrom by mutual aid and cooperation in patriotic, charitable, educational, and civic activities.

Section 4: No part of the income or assets of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any private individual or member.

Section 6: This corporation shall have no capital stock, its object being solely of a benevolent nature, and not for individual pecuniary gain or profit to its members.

ARTICLE V

Membership

Membership in the corporation shall be as prescribed by the National Constitution of the Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A., Inc., and in the Bylaws of the corporation. Any Honorably Discharged American citizen, male or female, who served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, in its auxiliary units, or in the United States Merchant Marine, after May 9, 1916, or in the Armed Forces of our allies between April 6, 1917 and May 7, 1975, shall be eligible for membership.

<u>ARTICLE VI</u>

Directors

There shall be not less than THREE (3) Directors of the corporation, all of whom shall be elected or appointed in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of the corporation. A Director may simultaneously hold another office in the corporation.

<u>ARTICLE VI</u>

Officers

Section 1: The officers of the corporation shall be the Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Treasurer, Chaplain, Historian, and Sergeant-at-Arms, all of whom shall be elected in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of the corporation.

Section 2: The Commander shall appoint, and shall have the authority to remove, an Adjutant, Service Officer, Judge Advocate, Public Relations Officer, and any other officers and committee chairmen as he deems necessary from time to time.

ARTICLE VII

Registered Office

The street address of the initial Registered Office of the corporation is 145 Florence Boulevard, DeBary, Florida 32713, and the name of the initial Registered Agent is JOSEPH G. MARCEAU.

ARTICLE VIII

Bylaws

The Board of Directors shall have the power to adopt Bylaws regulating the affairs and prescribing the duties of the officers of the corporation, which Bylaws shall not be inconsistent with these Articles.

ARTICLE IX

Corporate Seal

The seal of the corporation shall be a circular impression of the words and figures: Incorporated - 1999, surrounded by the name of the corporation.

ARTICLE X

Use of Assets on Dissolution and Use of Income

Section 1: In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the corporation shall be turned over to one (1) or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State, or Local Government, exclusively for public purpose.

Section 2: The corporation is one which does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof, and is organized for non-profit purposes. No part of any of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member or other individual.

ARTICLE XI

Amendments

These Articles may be amended upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting at any meeting of the corporation, provided that a copy of the proposed amendment shall have been mailed to each member of the corporation at least thirty (30) days before the date of the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be acted upon.

ARTICLE XII

Incorporators

The names and addresses of the incorporators are:

<u>Name</u>

Address

JOSEPH G. MARCEAU

145 Florence Boulevard DeBary, Florida 32713

EDWARD J. ORAVETZ

1912 East Chapel Drive Deltona, Florida 32738-3807

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto subscribed their names, this 24 day of 1999.

Joseph G. Marceau

Edward J. Oravetz

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF VOLUSIA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared JOSEPH G. MARCEAU and EDWARD J. ORAVETZ, who are personally known to me or who produced Fr. Die march 12 20013-230-14-186-0 as identification, and they acknowledged that they executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 24

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Notary Public, State of FL

My commission expires:

JODEAN J. POINDEXTER
My Comm Exp. 6/30/2001
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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR SERVING PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE AND NAMING AN AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

THE FOLLOWING is submitted in compliance with Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes (1998), as amended:

GENERAL CASIMIR PULASKI, POST 204, THE POLISH LEGION OF AMERICAN VETERANS, U.S.A., INC., a corporation not for profit, organizing under the Laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office at 145 Florence Boulevard, DeBary, Florida 32713, and its Registered Office at that same address, has named JOSEPH G. MARCEAU, as its agent to accept process within this State.

ACCEPTANCE

HAVING BEEN NAMED to accept service of process for the above-named corporation at the place designated as the Registered Office in this certificate, I hereby accept said designation and agree to act in this capacity, and further agree to comply with the provisions of said statute relative to keeping open said Registered Office.

DATED this 2/1/2 day of Muy 1999.

Joseph G. Marceau

Registered Agent