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**KRISTY L. CLOPTON**  
**P.O. Box #1201**  
**Summerfield, FL 34492-1201**  
**(352) 266-4717**

**July 30, 2004**

**Secretary of State**  
**DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS**  
**P.O. Box #6327**  
**Tallahassee, FL 32314**

**Gentlemen:**

Enclosed please find **original and one (1) copy** of the Articles of Incorporation on behalf of **KRISTY L. CLOPTON, D.V.M., P.A.** Please make the effective date of the corporation **August 1, 2004**. I have also enclosed a check in the amount of **\$78.75** to cover the costs as follows:

<b>\$35.00</b>	<b>: Filing fees</b>
<b>35.00</b>	<b>: Registered Agent designation</b>
<b>8.75</b>	<b>: Certified copy charge</b>

Please forward a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation to the name and address as showing above in the letterhead, and should you have questions or need for further information please feel free to contact me.

**Sincerely,**

  
**KRISTY L. CLOPTON**

encl.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Glenda E. Hood  
Secretary of State

August 3, 2004

KRISTY L. CLOPTON  
PO BOX 1201  
SUMMERFIELD, FL 34492-1201

SUBJECT: KRISTY L. CLOPTON, D.V.M., P.A.  
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We have received your document for KRISTY L. CLOPTON, D.V.M., P.A. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6928.

Tim Burch  
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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
KRISTY L. CLOPTON, D.V.M., P.A.**

**The undersigned**, being of the age of eighteen (18) years or more, hereby makes and acknowledges these Articles of Incorporation under and by virtue of the laws of the **State of FLORIDA**.

**ARTICLE I**

**NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be **KRISTY L. CLOPTON, D.V.M., P.A.**

**ARTICLE II**

**TERM OF EXISTENCE**

This corporation is to exist perpetually, commencing at 12:01 A.M., **AUGUST 1, 2004**.

**ARTICLE III**

**PURPOSE OF CORPORATION**

The general purpose of this corporation is to engage in every aspect of rendering professional services to the general public both, individually by the corporation and under contract through veterinary institutions and concerns, and to do all things in connection therewith that are customarily done by licensed veterinarians under the laws of the **State of FLORIDA** and in accordance with **Chapter 621, Florida Statutes** ("**The Professional Service Corporation Act**"), provided, however, that such

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professional services shall be rendered only through officers, agents, and employees who are duly licensed under the laws of the **State of FLORIDA** to practice said profession therein.

In addition to the above, this corporation shall have power to engage in any and all other activity and/or business whatever permitted under the laws of the **United States** and of the **State of FLORIDA**.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

##### **CAPITALIZATION**

The maximum number of shares of capital stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is **ONE THOUSAND (1,000) shares of common stock with an initial par value of ONE AND NO HUNDREDTHS (\$1.00) DOLLAR per share**. The par value of such stock may be adjusted from time to time by resolution, and dividends may be declared and distributed by the corporation to the respective shareholders of record at the total discretion of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors of this corporation may authorize the issuance, from time to time, of shares of its stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, or securities convertible into shares of its stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, for such consideration as the Board of Directors may deem advisable, subject to such restrictions or limitations, if any, as may be set forth in the bylaws of this corporation.

The Board of Directors of this corporation may, by Restated Articles of Incorporation, classify or reclassify any unissued stock, from time to time, by setting or changing the preferences, conversions or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, or term or conditions of redemption of the stock.

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## **ARTICLE V**

### **PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS**

Each and every stockholder, upon the sale for cash and/or other consideration of any new stock of this corporation of the same class and/or series as that which is already issued shall have the right to purchase a prorata share thereof and at the price at which it is offered to others, provided, however, that the Board of Directors has, in authorizing the issuance of such shares of stock, conferred any such preemptive right(s) that the Board of Directors may deem or have deemed advisable in connection with such issuance.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The street and mailing addresses of the principal office of this corporation are:

**STREET : 15100 S.E. 47th Avenue, Summerfield, FL 34491**

**MAILING : P.O. Box #1201, Summerfield, FL 34492-1201**

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT**

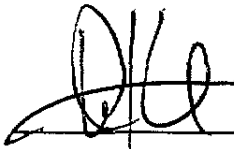
In accordance and compliance with the provisions of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, **this corporation**, with principal office located at **15100 S.E. 47th Avenue, City of Summerfield, County of Marion, and State of FLORIDA 34491**, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of **FLORIDA**, hereby designates **DANIEL J. WADE**, located at **3391 E. Silver Springs Boulevard, Suite F, City of Ocala**,

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**County of Marion, and State of FLORIDA 34470, as its Registered Agent to accept service of process on its behalf within the state.**

**I, DANIEL J. WADE, having been designated as Registered Agent for this corporation with its principal office as shown above, am familiar with and willingly, and by my own free act and deed, accept the obligations and responsibilities as Registered Agent for said corporation. Furthermore, I hereby acknowledge my acceptance of said position on behalf of this corporation by affixing my signature where indicated below.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DJ Wade', is written over a horizontal line.

**DANIEL J. WADE**

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is **KRISTY L. CLOPTON, 15100 S.E. 47th Avenue, Summerfield, FL 34491**

#### **ARTICLE IX**

#### **DIRECTORS**

This corporation shall have **ONE (1)** director initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by bylaws and/or resolution adopted and executed by the stockholders, but shall never be less than **ONE (1)**. The name and address of the initial director of this corporation is **KRISTY L. CLOPTON, 15100 S.E. 47th Avenue, Summerfield, FL 34491.**

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## **ARTICLE X**

### **BYLAWS**

**The Board of Directors** of this corporation **shall have power**, without the assent or vote of the stockholders, **to make, alter, amend, or repeal the bylaws of this corporation**, but the affirmative vote of a number of directors equal to a majority of the number who would constitute a full Board of Directors at the time of such action shall be necessary to take any action for the making, alteration, amendment, or repeal of the bylaws.

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **AMENDMENT**

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto and any right conferred upon the stockholders is subject to this reservation.

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT**

**All of the shares of stock of this corporation may be subject to a Stockholders' Agreement** containing numerous restrictions on the rights of stockholders of this corporation and transferability of the shares of stock of this corporation. A copy of the Stockholders' Agreement, if any, is on file at the principal office of this corporation.

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### **ARTICLE XIII**

#### **POWERS OF CORPORATION**

**This corporation shall have the same powers as an individual** to do all things necessary to carry out its business and affairs, subject to any limitations or restrictions imposed by applicable law or these Articles of Incorporation.

### **ARTICLE XIV**

#### **REGISTERED OWNER(S)**

**This corporation, to the extent permitted by law, shall be entitled to treat the person in whose name any share or right is registered on the books of this corporation as the owner thereto, for all purposes, and except as may be agreed in writing by this corporation shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to, or interest in, such share or right on the part of any person, whether or not this corporation shall have notice thereof.**

### **ARTICLE XV**

#### **INDEMNIFICATION**

**This corporation shall indemnify a director or officer of this corporation** who was wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which the director or officer was a party because the director or officer is or was a director or officer of this corporation against reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by the director or officer in connection with the proceeding. This corporation may indemnify an individual made a party to a proceeding because the individual is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of this corporation against liability, if authorized, in the

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specific case after determination, in the manner required by the Board of Directors, that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent, as the case may be, is permissible in the circumstances because the director, officer, employee or agent has met the standard of conduct set forth by the Board of Directors. The indemnification and advancement of attorney fees and expenses for directors, officers, employees and agents of this corporation shall apply when such person(s) are serving at this corporation's request while a director, officer, employee or agent of this corporation, as the case may be, as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or agent of another foreign or domestic corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, whether or not for profit, as well as in their official capacity with this corporation. This corporation also may pay for or reimburse the reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by a director, officer, employee or agent of this corporation who is a party to a proceeding in advance of final disposition of the proceeding. This corporation also may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of an individual arising from the individual's status as a director, officer, employee or agent of this corporation, whether or not this corporation would have power to indemnify the individual against the same liability under the law. All references in these Articles of Incorporation are deemed to include any amendment or successor thereto. Nothing contained in these Articles of Incorporation shall limit or preclude the exercise of any right relating to indemnification or advance of attorney fees and expenses to any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of this corporation or the ability of this corporation otherwise to indemnify or advance expenses to any such person by contract or in any other manner. If any word, notification or advancement of the attorney fees or expenses shall be held invalid as contrary to law or public policy, it shall be severable and the provisions remaining shall not be otherwise affected. All references in these Articles of Incorporation to "director", "officer", "employee", and "agent" shall include the heirs, estates, executors, administrators and personal representatives of such persons.

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## **ARTICLE XVI**

### **COVENANT NOT TO SUE**

**This corporation agrees that it will never institute any action or suit at law or in equity** against any director or officer of this corporation, nor institute, prosecute, or in any way aid in the institution or prosecution of any claim, demand, action, or cause of action for damages, costs, loss of services, expenses, or compensation for or on account of any damage, loss or injury either to person or property, or both, whether developed or underdeveloped, resulting or to result, known or unknown, past, present, or future, arising out of a director or officer of this corporation's services to this corporation.

## **ARTICLE XVII**

### **SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

The following special provisions that shall be applicable to this corporation are:

(1) that the **fiscal year** of this corporation **shall be January 1 through December 31**, and

(2) that under the provisions of Section #1362 and Subchapter "S" of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, **this corporation may elect to be treated as an electing small business corporation**, and

(3) that **the stockholders of this corporation may elect** and, if elected, shall continue such election **to be an "S" Corporation** as provided in Subchapter "S" of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, **unless the stockholders** of this corporation **unanimously agree otherwise in writing**, and

(4) that in the event this corporation has elected to be an "S" Corporation, **none of the**

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**stockholders of this corporation, without the written consent of all of the stockholders of this corporation shall take any action, or make any transfer or other disposition of the stockholders' shares of stock in this corporation which will result in the termination or revocation of such election to be an "S" Corporation, as provided in Subchapter "S" of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 30th day of July, 2004.**

  
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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**STATE OF FLORIDA**  
**COUNTY OF MARION**

**BEFORE ME**, a Notary Public authorized to take acknowledgements within the state and county set forth above, personally appeared

**KRISTY L. CLOPTON,**

known to be and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal within the state and county aforesaid, this **30th day of July, 2004**.

*FL. D.S. C 413-512-76-583-0*

*Nancy L Wade*

Notary Public

State of FLORIDA at Large

My commission expires: *10/5/2006*

