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2415 N. Monroe Street
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Re: Articles of Incorporation

Heart of Adoptions Tennessee, Inc.

Dear Sir/Madame:

Enclosed please find the above-referenced Articles of Incorporation for filing as soon as possible. Also enclosed please find our check in the amount of \$70.00 for the filing fee.

Should you have any questions, please call me at the phone number listed above.

Best regards/

Mark T. Tate

Enclosures

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

HEART OF ADOPTIONS TENNESSEE, INC.

I, the undersigned, hereby make, subscribe and file with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a corporation for profit pursuant to the law of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I Name and Address

The name of this corporation shall be:

Heart of Adoptions Tennessee, Inc.

The principal office and mailing address of this corporation shall be 418 W. Platt Street, Tampa, Florida 33606, or such other address within the State of Florida as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate.

ARTICLE II Existence of Corporation

This corporation shall begin existence upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of Florida and shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE III Business and Purposes

The business and purposes of this corporation are as follows:

- (a) To own, operate and provide services associated with an adoption/child placing agency to be licensed by the state of Florida (and such other jurisdictions where licensure is legally required).
- (b) To own real and personal property necessary or convenient to effectuate the business and purposes of this corporation; and
- (c) In general, to have and exercise all powers conferred by the laws of Florida upon corporations, and to do any and all things hereinabove set forth to the same extent as a natural person might or could do.

ARTICLE IV Capital Stock

- (a) The total number of shares of capital stock authorized to be issued by the corporation shall be 1,000 shares having a par value of \$1.00 per share. Each of the said shares of stock shall entitle the holder thereof to one (1) vote at any meeting of the stockholders. All or any part of said capital stock may be paid for in cash, in property or in labor or services at a fair valuation to be fixed by the Board of Directors at a meeting called for such purpose. All stock when issued shall be paid for and shall be nonassessable.
- (b) In the election of directors of this corporation there shall be no cumulative voting of the stock entitled to vote at such election.

ARTICLE V Registered Office and Registered Agent

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office is 418 W. Platt Street, Tampa, FL 33606 and the name of the corporation's initial registered agent at such address is Mark T. Tate. The corporation may change its registered office or its registered agent or both by filing with the Department of State of the State of Florida a statement complying with Section 607.0502, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE VI Initial Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of this corporation shall not exceed five (5) members. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of five (5) members, whose names and addresses are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	Address
Jeanne T. Tate	418 W. Platt Street Tampa, Florida 33606
Mark T. Tate	212 S. Magnolia Avenue Tampa, FL 33606
Meredith Shepard	418 W. Platt Street Tampa, FL 33606
Daneille Stewart	1000 Tamiami Trail North Suite 501 Naples, FL 34102

Erica Healey

418 W. Platt Street Suite B Tampa, FL 33606

ARTICLE VII Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is as follows:

Name

Address

Mark T. Tate

212 S. Magnolia Avenue Tampa, Florida 33606

ARTICLE VIII Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

The corporation reserves the right to amend, change or repeal any provision of these Articles of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon its stockholders are subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation for the uses and purposes herein stated.

Mark T. Tate

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 4th day of January, 2024, by Mark T. Tate, who is personally known to me or who has produced N/A as

identification and who did not take an oath.

Print Name

Notary Public My Commission Expires:



REGISTERED AGENT CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at the place designated in its Articles of Incorporation, I hereby agree to act in such capacity, and I am familiar with and accept, the obligations provided for in Section 607.0501(3), Florida Statutes.

Mark T. Tate, Registered Agent

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