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Re: PAUL J. KNOX, M.D., P.A.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above-named corporation. Also enclosed is the registered agent form and our firm check in the amount of \$122.50 to cover the \$35.00 filing fee, \$52.50 certification fee and \$35.00 registered agent designation fee.

Should you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Raymond

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

PAUL J. KNOX, M.D., P.A.



# ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be:

PAUL J. KNOX, M.D., P.A.

and its principal place of business shall be located at: 8710 Elmwood Lane, Tampa, FL 33615

### ARTICLE II

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be:

- 1. To engage in every phase and aspect of rendering to the public the same professional services a registered doctor of medicine licensed under the laws of the State of Florida is authorized to render, but such professional services shall be rendered only through its officers and parties and agents who are duly licensed to practice medicine.
- 2. To invest the funds of the corporation in real estate, mortgages, stocks, bonds and other types of investments and to own real estate and personal property necessary for the rendering of such professional services.
- 3. To do everything necessary and proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes or the attainment of the objects enumerated in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment thereof, necessary or incidental to the protection and benefit of the corporation, and in general, either alone or in association with other corporations, firms or individuals, to carry on any lawful pursuit necessary or incidental to the furtherance of the purposes or objects of the corporation.

The paragraphs of this Article II shall be construed as

#### ARTICLE III

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation shall be authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 7,500 shares of common stock, having a par value of One (\$1.00) Dollar per share.

The common stock of the corporation may be issued as "Small Business Corporation" stock in accordance with the plans and provisions of Section 1244 of the Internal Revenue Code.

# ARTICLE IV

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE V

The initial registered office of this corporation shall be 400 Cleveland Street, Suite 800, Clearwater, FL 34615, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address shall be J. Paul Raymond. The Board of Directors shall have the power to establish branch offices and to change the principal office of the corporation to any other address or addresses.

Meetings of the Stockholders and Directors of the corporation may be held at places within or without the State of Florida. No such meeting need be held at the principal office of the corporation, or at any office or place of business of the corporation, but may be held at any place specified in the By-Laws, or by the Board of Directors, or by any person or persons properly noticing or calling a meeting in accordance with the By-Laws.

# ARTICLE VI

The initial Board of Directors for the corporation shall consist of one (1) Director. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by By-Laws adopted by the Shareholders of the corporation, but shall never be less than one

of one '(1) year after their election, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified; but any director is subject to removal at any time by a majority vote of all outstanding shares of stock, with or without cause; and any officer is subject to removal at any time by a majority vote of all the directors (not merely those present in voting), with or without cause.

# ARTICLE VII

The names and addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors and Officers, who shall hold office for the first year of existence of the corporation, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified, are:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	Office_
Paul J.	Knox	8710 Elmwood Lane Tampa, FL 33615	President/Director
J. Paul	Raymond	400 Cleveland Street Suite 800 Clearwater, FL 34615	Secretary

# ARTICLE VIII

The name and address of the subscriber of these Articles of Incorporation who is a registered doctor of medicine licensed under the laws of the State of Florida to render services as such and the number of shares of stock he agrees to take is:

Paul J. Knox, M.D.

100 shares

# ARTICLE IX

No contract or other transaction between this corporation and any other firm, association or corporation, and no act of this corporation shall in any way be affected or invalidated by the fact that any of the Directors of this corporation are pecuniarily or otherwise interested in or are members, directors or officers of such other firm, association or corporation. Any Director,

director or officer of such other firm association or corporation, or who is so interested, may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors of this corporation which shall authorize any such contract or transaction with like force and effect as if he were not such member, director or officer of such other firm, association or corporation, or not so interested.

### ARTICLE X

Shares of this corporation's capital stock shall be issued only to individuals who are duly licensed or otherwise legally authorized within the State of Florida to render the same professional services as those for which the corporation was incorporated. No stockholder of this corporation shall enter into a voting trust agreement or any other type of agreement vesting in another person the authority to exercise the voting power of any or all of his stock.

In the event the ownership of shares of this corporation shall be transferred into the hands of others who are not qualified to own such shares under the provisions of the Professional Service Corporation Act, the members of the Board of Directors of this corporation shall have the power to fill any vacancy existing in the Board of Directors and all of the directors and all of the shareholders of the corporation shall have the power to amend these Articles of Incorporation so as to effect a change in the nature of business provided in Article II herein, so that this corporation shall have the power to conduct business in accordance with applicable law; except that this corporation shall not conduct a banking, safe deposit, trust, insurance, surety, express, railroad, canal, telegraph, telephone or cemetery company, a building and loan association, fraternal benefit society, a mutual fire insurance association, cooperative association, state fair or

# ARTICLE XI

By shareholders' agreement or By-Laws, the corporation may restrict the transfer or encumbrance of any of its stock, including, but not limited to, provisions for the transfer of stock owned by a retiring, disabled or deceased shareholder, or any shareholder required to sever financial interests in this corporation. The corporation shall have the sole power to adopt, amend or repeal By-Laws for the management of this corporation.

# ARTICLE XII

Any shareholder, upon the sale, by the corporation, for cash, of any new stock of this corporation, shall have the right to purchase his pro rata share thereof, as nearly as may be done without issuance of fractional shares, at the price at which it is offered to others.

# ARTICLE XIII

Fifty-one (51%) percent of the shares entitled to vote, represented in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of the shareholders. If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of more than fifty (50%) percent of the shares represented at the meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be the act of the shareholders.

### ARTICLE XIV

The corporation shall indemnify any officer or director or any former officer or director to the full extent permitted by law.

### ARTICLE XV

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment thereto and any right conferred upon the shareholders is

Articles of Incorporation this 25th day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ March\_ (SEAL) Incorporator STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this day personally appeared before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, J. PAUL RAYMOND, to me personally known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument or who has produced N/A as identification and who did of who has produced N/A as identification and who did take an oath and acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed. Clearwater WITNESS my hand and official seal at County and State, this 25th day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ March Notary Public Print Name: My Commission Expires:



CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF RESIDENCE OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes the following is submitted in compliance with said Act:

First -- That PAUL J. KNOX, M.D., P.A., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, in the City of Tampa, County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, has named J. PAUL RAYMOND located at 400 Cleveland Street, Suite 900, City of Clearwater, County of Pinellas, State of Florida, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

J. FAUL RAYMOND Resident Agent