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Re: Rural Health Specialists, Inc.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith please find the Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced corporation and a check totalling Seventy Eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$78.75) made payable to the Department of Corporations for the filing fee. Please return the certified copy in the pre-addressed, stamped envelope enclosed herewith for your convenience.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert D. Keough

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

RURAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS, INC.

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ARTICLE I

NAME OF INCORPORATION

The name of the corporation is RURAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS, INC.

ARTICLE II

The principal office of the Corporation is located at 205 N. Scenic Highway, Frostproof, Florida.

ARTICLE III

The street address of the initial registered agent of the Corporation is 205 N. Scenic Highway, Frostproof, Florida and the name of the initial registered agent at that address is Theodore J. Smith, Jr.

ARTICLE IV

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this Corporation is to engage in any and all business permitted under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE V

The affairs of this Corporation shall be managed initially by a Board of three (3) Directors. The number of Directors may be changed by amendment of the By-Laws of the Corporation. The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of Director until the selection of his/her successor are:

NAME ADDRESS

Theodore J. Smith, Jr. 616 E. Cherokee Circle
Avon Park, Florida

Lorena E. Smith 616 E. Cherokee Circle Avon Park, Florida

Donald B. Geldart

1545 W. Oleander Drive Avon Park, Florida 33825 - -

At the first annual meeting, the members shall elect three (3) Directors for a term of one (1) year.

ARTICLE VI

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer and such other officers as permitted by the By-Laws. The names of the persons who shall act as officers of the Corporation until the election of his/her successor are: -. .

Theodore J. Smith, Jr.

Lorena E. Smith

Lorena E. Smith President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Lorena E. Smith

The above-named officers shall serve until the first and organizational meeting of the Board of Directors and shall hold office for a one (1) year period from the date of their selection.

ARTICLE VII

DURATION

The corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VIII

BY-LAWS

The By-Laws of this Corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be altered, amended, or rescinded by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX

CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of stock that this Corporation is authorized to issue and have outstanding at any one time is 3,500 shares of common stock (having a par value of \$1.00 per share). All shares are subject to the following restrictions:

- A. Shareholders may dispose of their stock in this Corporation or encumber said stock only under the conditions expressed herein.
- B. Any shareholders desiring to encumber or <u>dispose</u> of his stock must obtain the written consent of each of the other shareholders of this Corporation.
- C. In the absence of the obtaining of such written consent, the shareholder desiring to encumber or dispose of the stock shall offer to sell all of his stock, first, to the Corporation in accordance with the terms of this agreement. He shall inform the Corporation of his intention to sell by registered mail to the Corporation, at its registered agent's office, and to each shareholder. Within sixty (60) days of the date of such receipt of said notice by the Corporation and by Each of the other shareholders, the sale shall take place and the Corporation shall purchase the stock in accordance with the requirements hereinafter stated. The purchase price for each share of stock shall be the book value on the last day of the month preceding the date of the notice of intention to sell. The accountant for the Corporation shall determine the book value, and the Corporation shall pay said amount in cash. If the Corporation does not have sufficient surplus, then whatever surplus is available shall be utilized and the Corporation, through its shareholders, shall reduce the capital of the Corporation in order to provide sufficient surplus for the Corporation to purchase all of the offered stock. In the event the Corporation is unable under the law to so reduce its capital, then the shareholders shall offer to sell the stock to the remaining shareholders of the Corporation, to be purchased at the same time as defined above, on a pro rata basis. In the event of the death of any shareholders, his stock shall be purchased by the Corporation, in accordance with the above-referenced provisions. In the event the Corporation is unable to purchase any or all of the stock, the remaining shareholders of the Corporation shall have the right to purchase their pro rata amount of the decedent's stock at the above-determined price. The estate of the decedent

shall be obligated to sell said stock to the Corporation or other shareholders.

D. The certificates of stock of this Corporation shall be temporarily surrendered to the Corporation for the purpose of adding the following endorsement on each share certificate: "This share certificate is subject to a restriction against sale or encumbrance contained in the Articles of Incorporation. Said Articles provide for restrictions upon transfer of the stock and a copy of the Articles of Incorporation may be obtained from the Secretary of the Corporation." After said stock is inscribed with said statement, then the stock certificates shall be returned to the shareholders immediately subsequent to the endorsement of the share certificates. This restriction is binding upon all purchasers of the stock of this Corporation, their heirs, successors, assigns, and legal representatives.

ARTICLE X

INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation as the Incorporator is:

<u>NAME</u> <u>ADDRESS</u>

Theodore J. Smith, Jr.

205 N. Scenic Hwy. _____ Frostproof, Florida 33843

ARTICLE XI

AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the stockholders and approved at a stockholders' meeting by at least a majority of the stock entitled to vote, unless all the Directors and all the stockholders sign a written statement manifesting their intentions that a certain amendment to these Articles of Incorporation be made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming this corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, I, the undersigned, constituting the Incorporator of this Corporation, have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 4 day of April, 1999.

Modern J. Smith, Jr.

STATE OF FLORIDA-COUNTY OF POLK

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of me, 1999, Theodore J. Smith, Jr., who is personally known to me or who produced purel known as identification.

Given my hand and official seal this $\frac{14^{a}}{4}$ day of $\frac{2}{4}$

Linda L. Casey
Notary Public, State of Florida
Commission No. CC 611064
My Commission Exp. 1/1/2001
Bonded Through Flz. Notary Service & Bonding Co.

Printed Name: Linda L. Casey

Notary Public, State and County Aforesaid.

My Commission Expires:

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the designation as Registered Agent of Rural Health Specialists, Inc.

Theodore J. Smith, Jr.

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