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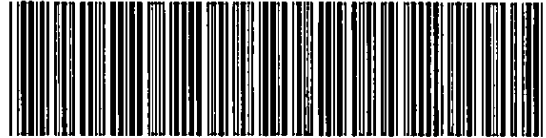
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Re: County Citizens Defending Freedom USA, Inc.

Enclosed please find restated articles of incorporation, submitted in duplicate, together with a check for the \$35 filing fee.

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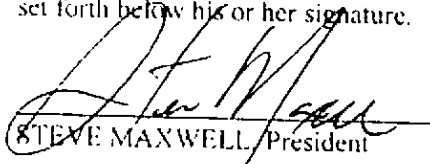
**CERTIFICATE REGARDING  
RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM USA, INC.**

COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM USA, INC., a Florida Not For Profit Corporation (the "Corporation"), hereby certifies, pursuant to and in accordance with Section 617.1007 of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act for the purpose of filing its Restated Articles of Incorporation with the Department of State of the State of Florida, that:

1. The Corporation's Restated Articles of Incorporation attached hereto contain amendments to the current Amended Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation that have been adopted by the Board of Directors, the Corporation having no members.

2. The Corporation's Restated Articles of Incorporation attached hereto contain a change to the name of the Corporation. The name of the Corporation following the filing of the Restated Articles of Incorporation is "POLK COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM USA, INC.".

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned has executed this Certificate as of the date set forth below his or her signature.

  
STEVE MAXWELL, President

Date: 9/15/2021

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AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
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**Article I. Name:**

The name of the corporation is: POLK COUNTY CITIZENS DEFENDING FREEDOM USA, INC.

**Article II. Principal Office and Mailing Address:**

The address of the principal office and the mailing address of the corporation shall be 590 NW 3rd Street, Mulberry, Florida 33860.

**Article III. Purpose and Restrictions:**

**Section 1. Purposes.** This Corporation is organized, and shall be administered and operated, not for profit, but exclusively for the promotion of social welfare, as provided in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and any regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Code"), and:

- (a) To promote the common good and general welfare of the citizens of Polk County, Florida;
- (b) To receive and administer funds for the benefit of the Corporation, or its successors, and to that end to take and hold, by bequest, devise, gift, purchase, or lease, either absolutely or in trust, any property, real, personal, or mixed, without limitation as to amount, value, or distribution, except such limitations as may be provided herein or imposed by law; and
- (c) To do such other lawful acts or activities to accomplish the foregoing purposes, as contemplated by Section 501(c)(4) of the Code and Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

**Section 2. Restrictions.**

- (a) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any incorporator, member, or trustee of the Corporation, or of any other private individual, except that the Corporation is authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes;
- (b) The Corporation shall not engage in any excess benefit transactions as described in Section 4958 of the Code; and

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the Corporation shall not engage in any activities not permitted to be engaged in by a corporation described in section 501(c)(4) of the Code.

**Section 3. Dissolution.** Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations described in sections 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Code, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so distributed shall be applied as may be directed by a court of competent jurisdiction in an action brought in accordance with the Code of Florida, exclusively for such purposes, or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

**Article IV. Board of Directors:**

The affairs of this corporation are managed by the Board of Directors who are elected as provided in the bylaws of the corporation.

**Article V. Directors:**

1. Jack Hilligoss  
590 NW 3rd Street, Mulberry, Florida 33860
2. Jinny Laderer  
590 NW 3rd Street, Mulberry, Florida 33860
3. Steve Maxwell  
590 NW 3rd Street, Mulberry, Florida 33860
4. Jimmy Nelson  
590 NW 3rd Street, Mulberry, Florida 33860
5. Hannah Peterson  
590 NW 3rd Street, Mulberry, Florida 33860
6. Kevin Respress  
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7. Steve Watson  
590 NW 3rd Street, Mulberry, Florida 33860
8. Mark Wilson  
590 NW 3rd Street, Mulberry, Florida 33860

**Article VI. Registered Office and Registered Agent:**

The registered office of this corporation shall be located at 101 E Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 3700, Tampa, Florida 33602 and the registered agent of this corporation at such office shall be R. Reid Haney. This corporation shall have the right to change such registered agent and such registered office from time to time, as provided by law.

**Article V. Article Consolidation:**

These adopted restated articles of incorporation supersede the original articles of incorporation and all amendments to them.

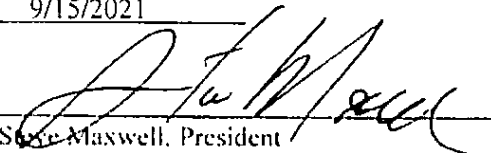
**Article VI. Adoption Information:**

These restated articles of incorporation were adopted by the Board of Directors.

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

Dated: 9/15/2021

By:

  
Steve Maxwell, President

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