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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Department of State

Division of Corporations

P.O. Box 6327

Tallahassee, FL 32314

**SUBJECT: \_\_\_K9 FORENSICS RECOVERY TEAM, INC**

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

\$78.75

FROM: Sam Pepenella

2072 Carson Ave

Spring Hill, FL 34608

(352) 684-5831

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Glenda E. Hood  
Secretary of State

March 10, 2003

SAM PEPENELLA  
2072 CARSON AVE  
SPRING HILL, FL 34608

SUBJECT: K9 FORENSICS RECOVERY TEAM, INC.  
Ref. Number: W03000006817

We have received your document for K9 FORENSICS RECOVERY TEAM, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

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) 245-6925.

Cynthia Blalock  
Document Specialist  
New Filings Section

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**K9 Forensics Recovery Team**

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S. (Not for Profit)

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**ARTICLE I** NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

K9 Forensics Recovery Team, Inc.

**ARTICLE II** PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

13168 Jacqueline Road, Brooksville, Florida 34613

**ARTICLE III** PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

To provide volunteer K9 services where needed. We assist local law enforcement agencies or government entities in the search and recovery of human bodies, human remains and forensic evidence from homicides, suicides, natural disasters or tragic events, such as terrorist attacks.

**ARTICLE IV** MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which the directors/officers are elected or appointed:

The Officers are President, Vice President, Treasure and Secretary. Positions are filled by standing members only. Standing members are members selected to be a part of *K9 Forensics Recovery Team*. They are selected through majority vote and must be active members for a period of ONE year. In order to be considered "ACTIVE", that member must attend at least or prove they have attended in full or part, 75% (seventy five) of organizations activities, including general meetings, training sessions, evaluations, searches, etc., unless he/she shows acceptable reason for absenteeism or the attendant requirement is waived by a two-thirds majority vote. A member may also be classified "ACTIVE" if current Officers/Directors grant immediate status by majority vote. It is not necessary for the Officer applied to be a K9 team. The position to an Officer/Director may be applied for in writing or be nominated by 75% (seventy-five) or 2/3 (two-thirds) of current Officers/Directors and members. If not nominated, those applying for an Officer/director position must submit a letter of intent written to *K9 Forensics Recovery Team*. After an Officer/Director has been appointed, they will remain in their respected position until resignation or until after a hearing has taken place for misconduct or violation of General Orders.

The Board of Directors shall consist of the Founder/Director of Operations the Director of Technical Services and the Director of Educational Services. These Directors shall be responsible for, and oversee, the administrative, operational and training functions of *K9 Forensics Recovery Team*. Together the Directors will preside over all activities conducted by the elected Officers. They shall have complete and unquestionable authority to override any decision made by the Officers. These positions shall be permanent until such time that the Organization is dissolved or until they resign from their respective position. In the event of a resignation, the remaining Directors shall choose a replacement. Each Director shall have voting privileges. (Directors are appointed as stated above and/or according to bylaws)

**ARTICLE V** INITIAL DIRECTORS/OFFICERS

The name(s), address(es) and title(s):

Sam Pepenella (President/Director of Educational Services) – 2072 Carson Ave, Spring Hill, Fl 34608

Kenneth Petrillo (Vice President) – 1721 Chesapeake Dr, Odessa, Fl 33556

Mary Peter (Treasure/ Founder Director of Operations) – 13168 Jacqueline Rd, Brooksville, Fl 34613/

Troy Ferguson (Secretary/Director of Technical Services) – 10918 Claverton Ave, Hudson, Fl 34667

**ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

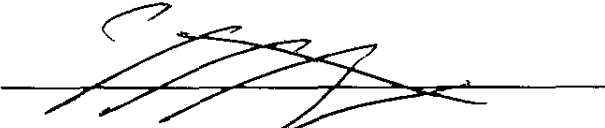
Sam Pepenella (President) 2072 Carson Ave, Spring Hill, Fl 34608 (352) 684-5831

**ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR**

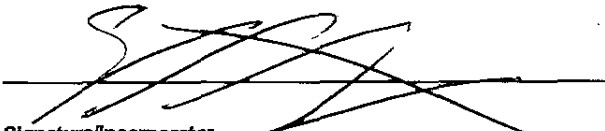
The name and address of the incorporator

Sam Pepenella – 2072 Carson Ave, Spring Hill, Fl 34608

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Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

  
Signature/Registered Agent

3/13/03  
Date

  
Signature/Incorporator

3/13/03  
Date