

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUSINESS REGULATION ADMINISTRATION



CERTIFICATE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that all applicable provisions of the DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NONPROFIT CORPORATION ACT have been complied with and accordingly, this **CERTIFICATE of INCORPORATION** is hereby issued to

NATIONAL GULF WAR RESOURCE CENTER, INC.

as of **NOVEMBER 21ST, 1995**.

Hampton Cross
Director

Katherine A. Williams
Acting Administrator
Business Regulation Administration

Desiree M. Jones
Desiree M. Jones
Act. Asst. Superintendent of Corporations
Corporations Division

Mansion Barry, Jr.
Mayor

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF THE

NATIONAL GULF WAR RESOURCE CENTER, INC.

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BY: *[Signature]*

To: The Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs
Washington, D.C.

We, the undersigned natural persons of the age of twenty-one years or more, acting as incorporators for the purpose of creating a nonprofit corporation under the District of Columbia Nonprofit Corporation Act, D.C. Code, Title 29, Chapter 5, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is the NATIONAL GULF WAR RESOURCE CENTER, INC. (hereinafter the "Resource Center").

SECOND: The period of the Resource Center shall be perpetual.

THIRD: The Resource Center is a nonprofit corporation and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding future provisions of the federal tax law.

The Resource Center is organized to establish an office to collect and disseminate resources to individuals and organizations interested in providing services to those affected by the Persian Gulf War.

The Resource Center shall seek to promote programs and other activities as directed by the membership and the Board of Directors.

The Resource Center may engage in any and all other charitable activities permitted to an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding future provisions of the federal tax law. To these ends, the Resource Center may do and engage in any and all lawful activities that may be incidental or reasonable necessary to any of these purposes, and it shall have and may exercise all other powers and authority now or hereafter conferred upon nonprofit corporations in the District of Columbia.

FOURTH: The Resource Center shall have members. The members shall be entitled to vote as set forth in the Bylaws.

FIFTH: The affairs of the Resource Center shall be managed by a board of at least three directors and regulated by the Bylaws. The number of directors and the manner in which they shall be nominated, elected or appointed shall be set forth in the Bylaws.

SIXTH: No substantial part of the activities of the Resource Center shall be the carrying on of propoganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Resource Center shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. The Resource Center shall not be authorized to accept gifts or contributions for other than the purposes herein before stated. As a means of accomplishing the foregoing purposes, the Resource Center shall have the power to do any and all such acts as are necessary or conducive to the attainment of any of the objects and purposes herein set forth, to the same extent and as fully as any natural person might or could do.

SEVENTH: Under all circumstances, and notwithstanding merger, consolidation, reorganization, termination, dissolution, or winding up of the Resource Center, voluntarily or by operation of law:

(a) No part of the net earnings of the Resource Center shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the Resource Center shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth above.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Resource Center shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States law), or (2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States law).

EIGHTH: Provisions for distribution of assets on dissolution or the termination of the Resource Center are as follows:

Although the period of duration of the Resource Center is perpetual, if for any reason the Resource Center is to be dissolved or otherwise terminated, no part of the property of the Resource Center or any of the proceeds shall be distributed to or inure to the benefit of any of the directors of the Resource Center. Upon the dissolution of the Resource Center, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning

of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the district or county in which the principal office of the Resource Center is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

NINTH: The Resource Center reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon members herein are granted subject of this reservation; provided, however, that no amendment shall authorize the directors to conduct the affairs of the Resource Center in any manner or for any purposes contrary to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any subsequent United States law).

TENTH: The address of the initial registered office of the Resource Center is 249 8th Street NE, #101, Washington, DC 20002. The name of the initial registered agent at the foregoing address is Charles Sheehan-Miles.

ELEVENTH: The names and addresses of the persons who shall act as the initial directors of the corporation until the first annual meeting or until successors are elected and shall qualify are:

Erika Lundholm
Executive Director
California Association of Persian Gulf Veterans
1770 17th Avenue #28
Santa Cruz, CA 95062

Chris Kornkven
President
Desert Storm Justice Foundation
1508 Creekside Drive
Norman, OK 73071

Denise Nichols
4050 Cody *STREET*
Wheat Ridge, CO 90033

Victor Silvester
Operation Desert Storm Association
2316 West 49th
Odessa, TX 79764

Paul Sullivan
Gulf War Veterans of Georgia
307 Adair #H-1
Decatur, GA 30030

Jeff Beer
Gulf War Veterans of Arkansas
111 Sioux Trail
Fairfield Bay, AR 72088

Carolyn Mills
Northwest Vets for Peace
20390 South End Road
Oregon City, OR

Dan Fahey
Swords to Plowshares
995 Market Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103

Monty Wilkerson
704 Indian Hill Mound
Goodlettsville, TN 37072

Directors listed above shall hold office until the the accession of the standing Board of Directors as provided for in the Bylaws.

TWELFTH. The name and address, including street and number, of each incorporator is:

Charles Sheehan-Miles
249 8th Street NE #101
Washington, DC 20002

Veronica F. L. Sheehan-Miles
249 8th Street, NE #101
Washington, DC 20002

James Tuite, III
1323 Zion Road
Gretna, VA 24557

District of Columbia, SS
IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and seals, this
21 day of November, 1995.

Charles Sheehan-Miles
Charles Sheehan-Miles

Denanne E. Sweet
Denanne E. Sweet
Notary Public, District of Columbia
My Commission Expires October 14, 2000

Veronica Sheehan-Miles
Veronica Sheehan-Miles

James Tuite
James Tuite

Denanne E. Sweet