

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

DISTRICT # _____ Department of _____

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

In accordance with the provisions of the State of _____, relating to corporations not for profit, the undersigned persons do hereby constitute themselves into a non-profit corporation and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation in accordance with said Statutes.

ARTICLE I - NAME:

The name of this corporation shall be: District # _____ Department of Pennsylvania, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSES:

The general nature and purposes of this corporation shall be:

Fraternal, patriotic, historical, charitable and educational; to preserve and strengthen comradeship among its members; to assist worthy comrades; to perpetuate the memory and history of our dead and to assist their widows and orphans; to maintain true allegiance to the government of the United States of America and fidelity to its Constitution and laws; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom and to preserve and defend the United States from all her enemies.

This incorporated subordinate unit of the VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, shall at all times remain under the jurisdiction of, and be governed according to the Congressional Charter and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. In the event that any provision of this Certificate of Incorporation conflicts with the National Charter and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, such conflicting provisions shall be deemed null and void, and the National Charter and By-Laws shall, at all times, govern.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP:

The active and voting membership of this corporation shall at all times consist of and be confined to the active membership in good standing in District # _____ Department of Pennsylvania VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, with eligibility to, acquiring of, suspension from, and discontinuance of membership being in accordance with the National Charter and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

ARTICLE IV - INCORPORATORS:

The names and residences of the incorporators of this Corporation are as follows:

District Commander:	_____	_____
	(Name)	(Address)
District Sr. Vice Commander:	_____	_____
	(Name)	(Address)
District Quartermaster:	_____	_____
	(Name)	(Address)

ARTICLE V - MANAGEMENT & ELECTIONS:

The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of this Corporation and shall consist of the District Commander, the District Sr. Vice Commander, and the District Quartermaster, and they shall be elected at the District Convention to be held during the month of _____ each and every year in accordance with the By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. Actions of the Board of Directors as set forth herein shall be at all times subject to the approval of the District.

ARTICLE X - MISCELLANEOUS:

In the event of dissolution of this corporation all of the assets shall be the property of District # _____ Department of Pennsylvania VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES and in the event of the simultaneous dissolution of this corporation and the forfeiture of the charter issued by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States to said subordinate unit then, and in that event, title to all of the assets of this corporation shall pass to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States to be disposed of in accordance with the National By-Laws, rules and regulations of the said Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. At no time shall the assets of the corporation be distributed among the individual members thereof.

ARTICLE XI - ADDRESS AND REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT (District Quartermaster's Name and Address):

The address of its initial Registered Office is _____ and the name of its initial Registered Agent is _____.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and seals this _____ day of _____, 20____. (All incorporators must be the same as Article IV), must sign and their signatures acknowledged).

_____ L.S.

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STATE COMMANDER
DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

DATE

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION MUST BE NOTARIZED