

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF**

**_____ POST# _____ CANTEEN/HOME ASSOCIATION,
INCORPORATED
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES**

In compliance with the provisions of the **Non-Profit Corporation Law of 1988**, 15 PA, C. S. 5306, as amended, the undersigned, all of whom are of full age, citizens of the United States, and residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, desiring that they may be incorporated as a nonprofit corporation, do hereby certify:

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be _____
Post # _____ Canteen/Home Association Incorporated, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

**ARTICLE II
LOCATION**

The location and Post Office address of its initial registered office in this commonwealth is:

_____ Post # _____ Canteen/Home Association Incorporated,

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

**ARTICLE III
PURPOSE**

The purpose of this organization 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 surviving spouses 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 Department of Pennsylvania 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 National 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 Congressional Charter and National By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, such conflicting provisions shall be deemed null and void, and the Congressional Charter and National By-Laws shall, at all times, govern.

The corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit, incidental or otherwise.

This corporation is organized upon a non-stock basis.

The term of its existence is perpetual.

**ARTICLE IV
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 with _____ Post # _____ Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, with eligibility to, acquiring of, suspension from, and discontinuance of membership with the Congressional Charter and National By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

**ARTICLE V
INCORPORATORS**

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

Post Commander: _____
Name and Address

Post Sr. Vice Commander: _____
Name and Address

Post Quartermaster: _____
Name and Address

**ARTICLE VI
MANAGEMENT AND ELECTIONS**

Active members of the Post and officers of this corporation shall manage the affairs of this corporation and elected officers shall consist of the President, Treasurer, and Secretary and elected members. Actions of the Officers of the Corporation as set forth herein shall be at all times subject to the approval of the Membership.

**ARTICLE VII
OFFICERS**

The names and addresses of the Officers and member of this Post Canteen/Home Association, who are to serve as Officers of the corporation until their successors are duly elected and installed, are as follows:

Post Commander: _____
who shall serve as President Name and Address

Post Sr. Vice Commander: _____
who shall serve as Vice President Name and Address

Post Adjutant: _____
who shall serve as Secretary Name and Address

Post Quartermaster: _____
who shall serve as Treasurer Name and Address

The Officers of the Corporation shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Post to be held during the month of April each and every year. On the night of the election or as soon thereafter the elected officers shall appoint or elect the Chairman of the Corporation. The Chairman and Directors shall serve until the date of installation of the Department Commander, and on that date the elected or appointed Chairman and newly elected Directors shall assume office.

**ARTICLE VIII
CORPORATION BY-LAWS**

Corporation By-Laws may be amended or revised by the Post Canteen/Home Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a stated meeting thereof provided, however, such amendments have been read at the preceding stated meeting and each member notified, at least twenty (20) days in advance by first class mail, of the contents of the amendments and the date on which the proposed amendments are to be presented for adoption. All amendments shall be forwarded through channels and reviewed by the Department Commander.

**ARTICLE IX
AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be amended by the Post Canteen/Home Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a stated meeting thereof provided, however, such amendments have been read at the preceding stated meeting and each member notified, at least twenty (20) days in advance by first class mail, of the contents of the amendments and the date on which the proposed amendments are to be presented for adoption. All amendments shall be forwarded through channels and reviewed by the Department Commander.

**ARTICLE X
MISCELLANEOUS**

In the event of dissolution of this corporation all of the assets shall be the property of _____ Post # _____, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and in the event of the simultaneous dissolution of this corporation and of 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.

WITNESS our hands and seal as incorporators this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Post Commander: _____
Name and Address

Post Sr. Vice Commander: _____
Name and Address

Post Quartermaster: _____
Name and Address

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

SS:

COUNTY OF _____

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally came the above named

Post Commander: _____
Name and Address

Post Sr. Vice Commander: _____
Name and Address

Post Quartermaster: _____
Name and Address

WITNESS my hand and seal of office this _____ day of _____, 20____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

APPROVAL IS REQUESTED TO TRANSFER LIQUOR LICENSE FROM
_____ POST _____ TO
_____ POST _____ HOME ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED.

POST COMMANDER

DATE

STATE COMMANDER

DATE

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION PAPERS MUST BE NOTARIZED AND SIGNED

ONLY ONE (1) COPY IS NEEDED TO BE MAILED TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

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