

June 20, 2023

Daniel Sanders, Commander Department of Nevada VFW 1285 Baring Blvd #184 Sparks, NV 89434

Re: Articles of Incorporation

Dear Comrade Sanders:

Receipt is acknowledged of the proposed Articles of Incorporation for the Department of Nevada, VFW, submitted for review of the Commander-in-Chief in accordance with Section 708 of the Manual of Procedure.

A review of the proposed Articles of Incorporation discloses that they are in compliance with the Congressional Charter, Bylaws, Manual of Procedure, Ritual, and laws and usages of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

A copy of the reviewed Articles of Incorporation has been retained for our files and two sets herewith returned.

Respectfully,

Johnathan Duncan Director, Administrative Operations

Cc: Department Adjutant

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

DEPARTMENT OF NEVADA

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

In accordance with the provisions of the State of Nevada, 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 Department of Nevada, 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 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 enemies.

This incorporated subordinate unit of the Veterans of Foreign Wars shall, at all times, remain under the jurisdiction of and be governed according to the Congressional Charter and Bylaws 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 Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, such conflicting provisions shall be deemed null and void, and the National Charter and Bylaws 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 the Department of Nevada, 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 Bylaws 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:

Department Commander:		
Daniel M. "Dan" Sanders		P O Box 1435, Tonopah, Nevada 89049
	(Name)	(Address)
Department Sr. Vice Comma	under:	
William "Bill" Pierce		<u>3007 Dusky Willow Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138</u>
	(Name)	(Address)

(Address)

ARTICLE V - MANAGEMENT & ELECTIONS:

The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of this Corporation and shall consist of the Department Commander, the Department Sr. Vice Commander, and the Department Quartermaster, and they shall be elected at the Department Convention to be held during the month of June each and every year in accordance with the Bylaws 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 Department.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS:

The names and addresses of the Officers of the Department, who are to serve as Officers of the Corporation until their successors are duly elected and installed, are as follows:

Department Commander: <u>Daniel M. "Dan" Sande</u> (Name)	ers PO Box 1435, Tonopah, Nevada 89049 (Address)			
who shall serve as President.	(,			
Department Sr. Vice Cdr: <u>William "Bill" Pierce 3007 Dusky Willow LN, Las Vegas, NV 89138</u> ,				
(Name)	(Address)			
who shall serve as Vice President.				
Department Adjutant: <u>David A. Sousa</u>	955 Country Ridge Drive, Sparks, Nevada 89434			
(Name)	(Address)			
who shall serve as Secretary.				
Department Quartermaster: <u>Martin A. Aguiar</u>	4651 Homestead Road, Pahrump, Nevada 89048			
(Name)	(Address)			
who shall serve as Treasurer.				

All the above shall be elected at the Department Convention to be held during the month of June each and every year, except the Department Adjutant who shall be appointed by the Department Commander on the night of installation or as soon thereafter as possible.

ARTICLE VII - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

This corporation shall have not less than three (3) Directors and the initial Board of Directors shall be as follows:

Department Commander: <u>Daniel M. "Dan" Sanders</u> P O Box 1435, Tonopah, Nevada 89049,					
Director	(Name)	(Address)			
Department Sr. Vice Cdr: William "Bill" Pierce 3007 Dusky Willow LN, Las Vegas, NV 89138,					
Director	(Name)	(Address)			
Department Quartermaster:	Martin A. Aguiar	4651 Homestead Road, Pahrump, Nevada 89048,			
Director	(Name)	(Address)			

The above Directors shall serve until the next election of Department Officers during the month of June of each and every year and who, by virtue of their office, shall serve as Directors of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII - BYLAWS:

Bylaws for this corporation may be made, altered, or rescinded after presentation to the Department by any member in good standing and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Department Delegates in good standing present and voting at a Department Convention. However, said Bylaws shall not conflict with the National Charter, Bylaws and Manual of Procedure of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, nor shall they conflict with the Bylaws of the Department having jurisdiction and providing further a copy of same shall be forwarded, through channels, and reviewed by the Commander-in-Chief before becoming effective.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION:

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be made after presentation to the Department by any member in good standing and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Department Delegates in good standing present and voting at a noticed meeting. However, said Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation shall be in accordance with the Laws of the State, and in accordance with the National Charter, Bylaws and Manual of Procedure of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and further they shall be in accordance with the Department having jurisdiction and provided further a copy of same shall be forwarded, through channels, and reviewed by the Commander-in-Chief before becoming effective.

ARTICLE X - MISCELLANEOUS:

In the event of dissolution of this corporation all of the assets shall be the property of the Department of Nevada, 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 Bylaws, 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 (QM):

The address of its initial Registered Office is <u>955 Country Ridge Drive</u>, <u>Sparks</u>, <u>Nevada 89434</u> and the name of its initial Registered Agent is <u>David A. Sousa</u> IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have here unto set our hands and seals this March day of 27^{th} , 2023.

no

Daniel M. "Dan" Sanders

William "Bill" Pierce

Jerome Washington

Official:

David Sousa Department Adjutant



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BRIAN K. WALKER ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL BY JOHNATHAN R. DUNCAN, DIRECTOR ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS