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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

NEZ PERCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE, INC.

The undersigned incorporators, desiring to form a Corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Idaho Non-profit Corporation Act, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

## ARTICLE I

**NAME:** The name of the Corporation (hereinafter called the Corporation) is the Nez Perce County Sheriff's Mounted Posse, Inc.

## ARTICLE II

**PURPOSES:** The purposes for which this Corporation is formed and organized are as follows:

- A. To provide appropriate resources related to search and rescue activities to the Nez Perce County Sheriff's Office and to other agencies when requested through and approved by the Nez Perce County Sheriff.
- B. To increase knowledge and skills of each member in order to strengthen the organization and to enhance the success of each mission.
- C. To provide education and training on appropriate safety practices and on search and rescue procedures and techniques.
- D. To engage in other activities consistent with those under the Idaho Non-profit Corporation Act and Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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### ARTICLE III

**DURATION:** The period of duration of this Corporation is perpetual.

### ARTICLE IV

**NON-PROFIT STATUS:** This organization is organized exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

### ARTICLE V

**REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT:** The initial registered office and mailing address for the Corporation is:

Nez Perce County Sheriff's Mounted Posse, Inc.

1221 F Street

Lewiston, Idaho 83501

The initial registered agent at such address is: Daniel Guy Leachman, one of the incorporators herein, and current bookie.

### ARTICLE VI

**POWERS:** The Corporation is empowered to do everything and anything reasonable and lawfully necessary, proper, suitable or convenient for the achievement of the purposes stated above, or for any of them, or for the furtherance of said purposes. The Corporation shall have and exercise all owners and authority and engage in all activities now or hereafter allowed by law to non-profit corporations of the State of Idaho, subject to the limitations that may be set forth in these Articles or the Bylaws of the Corporation.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization 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 Internal Revenue law) or (b) by an organization 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 Revenue law).

#### **ARTICLE VII**

**STOCK:** The Corporation shall not issue stock, and no dividends or pecuniary profits shall be declared or paid to members thereof.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

**MEMBERSHIP:** The authorized number and qualifications of members of the Corporation, voting and other rights and privileges of members, and their duties and responsibilities shall be as set forth in the bylaws of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

**OFFICERS:** The Bylaws of the Corporation shall determine the numbers of officers required; identify officers by title and responsibility, and describe election process. The Executive Board shall consist of those individuals appointed by the Nez Perce County Sheriff or his (her) designee and members elected to office by the membership.

#### **ARTICLE X**

**MANAGEMENT:** The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed and controlled by an Executive Board. The original number of Executive Board members shall be eight (8), elected, appointed, and qualified pursuant to the bylaws of the Corporation. Further management procedures and requirements

of the Corporation shall be set forth in the Corporation Bylaws. The names and mailing addresses of original members of the Executive Board are as follows:

NAME	ADDRESS	POSITION
Patrick McMurtrey	2335 Albright Grade Lewiston, ID 83501	Chief
Gary Barton	6945 Tammany Creek Road Lewiston, ID 83501	Foreman
Daniel Leachman	2023 Cedar Avenue Lewiston, ID 83501	Bookie
Richard Allen	1903 11th Avenue Lewiston, ID 83501	Top Hand
Chuck Rydvall	3517 Seventh Street Lewiston, ID 83501	Top Hand
Joe Treib	1526 10th Street Clarkston, WA 99403	Top Hand
Jim Cooper	19424 Cloverland Road Asotin, WA 99402	Top Hand
Jody Wicks	1419 Cedar Avenue Lewiston, ID 83501	Top Hand

#### ARTICLE XI

**DISSOLUTION:** In the event of dissolution, the Executive Board will pay all legitimate debts and will donate the remaining assets in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation, the Idaho Non-profit Corporation Act and Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Upon the dissolution of this Corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding section of any future tax code), or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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.

## ARTICLE XII

**AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES:** Amendment of these Articles may be made so long as such amendments do not change its non-profit, tax exempt status, and as long as such amendments contain only such provisions as are lawful under the Idaho Non-profit Corporation Act and Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Proposed amendments will be sent in writing to all Executive Board members ten (10) days prior to formal consideration and approval. Approval, by vote or written consent, shall require a majority vote of Executive Board members present at a regular or special meeting.

## ARTICLE XIII

**INCORPORATORS:** IN WITNESS THEREOF, for the purpose of forming this Corporation under the laws of the State of Idaho, we, the undersigned, the Incorporators of this Corporation, have executed these Articles of Incorporation in duplicate on this the thirteenth day of August, 1998.

  
Signature of Incorporator

Patrick McMurtrey  
Print/Type Name

2335 Albright Grade

Lewiston, ID 83501  
Mailing Address

  
Signature of Incorporator

Daniel Leachman  
Print/Type Name

2023 Cedar Avenue

Lewiston, ID 83501  
Mailing Address