# ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

# DISTRICT # \_\_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

# VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

THE UNDERSIGNED, being persons of lawful age, associate under the provisions of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (“RSA”), Chapter 292, by the following articles:

## ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this corporation shall be District #\_\_\_\_ Department of New Hampshire VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC (“District \_\_\_”)

## ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The purposes of the corporation are fraternal, patriotic, historical, charitable, and educational, and are:

1. to preserve and strengthen comradeship among its members;

2. to assist worthy comrades;

3. to perpetuate the memory and history of our dead and to assist their surviving spouses and orphans:

4. to maintain true allegiance to the Government of the United States, and fidelity to its Constitution and laws;

5. to foster true patriotism;

6. to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and

7. to preserve and defend the United States from all 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 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 AND PARTICIPATION

The active and voting membership of this corporation shall at all times consist of and be confined to active members in good standing of District with eligibility to, acquisition 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 – PRINCIPAL ADDRESS OF BUSINESS

The principal address where business shall be principally conducted for District \_\_\_\_ shall be located at” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The principal mailing address for District \_\_\_\_ shall be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Principal Business Email shall be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

## ARTICLE V – CAPITAL STOCK

This article is non-applicable to this Corporation.

## ARTICLE VI – LIABILITY OF CORPORATE OFFICERS

None.

## ARTICLE VII – INCORPORATORS

The following are the names and resident addresses of the incorporators of this Corporation:

1. District \_\_ Commander: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. District \_\_Senior Vice Commander: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. District \_\_ Quartermaster: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. District \_\_ Junior Vice Commander: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. District \_\_ Trustee: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## ARTICLE VIII – INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

District Commander: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

District Senior Vice Commander: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

District Quartermaster: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The above Directors shall serve until the next election of District \_\_\_ Officers during the month of April each year and who, by virtue of their office, shall serve as Directors of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE IX – BYLAWS

Bylaws for this corporation may be made, altered, or rescinded after presentation to the District by any member in good standing and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the District Delegates in good standing present and voting at a District 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 Commander-in-Chief before becoming effective.

## ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

Amendments to these Articles of Agreement may be made after the presentation to the District by any member of that District in good standing and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the District Delegates in good standing present and voting at a noticed meeting. Any amendments to the Articles of Agreement of District \_\_\_ shall be in accordance with the RSA’s of the State of New Hampshire, 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 also be in accordance with the Department of New Hampshire. The Department of New Hampshire and the Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, having jurisdiction over District , shall be furnished a copy of any proposed amendments to the Articles of Agreement of District prior to submission to the Secretary of State of New Hampshire.

**ARTICLE XI – MISCELLANEOUS**

In the event of dissolution of this corporation all of the assets shall be the property of DISTRICT \_\_\_\_ DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE 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 them, 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and seals this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_.

(All incorporators listed in Article VII must sign and their signatures acknowledged.)

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