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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Office of the Secretary of State
Corporations Division
100 North Main Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903-1335

BUSINESS CORPORATION

ORIGINAL ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under Chapter 7-1.1 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

1. The name of the corporation is Stephen Saris, M.D., Neurosurgery, Inc.

(This is a close corporation pursuant to §7-1.1-51 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended) (strike if inapplicable)

2. The period of its duration is (if perpetual, so state) perpetual

3. The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:
To practice medicine, including the practice of neurosurgery, and to engage in any
other business in which a corporation organized under the provisions of Chapter 7-5.1
may engage.

4. The aggregate number of shares which the corporation shall have authority to issue is: _____

(a) If only one class: Total number of shares 8,000. (If the authorized shares are to consist of one class only, state the par value of such shares or a statement that all of such shares are to be without par value.):

The par value of such shares is: \$ 1.00

or

b) If more than one class: Total number of shares _____ . (State (A) the number of shares of each class thereof that are to have a par value and the par value of each share of each such class, and/or (B) the number of such shares that are to be without par value, and (C) a statement of all or any of the designations and the powers, preferences and rights, including voting rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, which are permitted by the provisions of Chapter 7-1.1 of the General Laws in respect of any class or classes of stock of the corporation and the fixing of which by the articles of association is desired, and an express grant of such authority as it may then be desired to grant the board of directors to fix by vote or votes any thereof that may be desired but which shall not be fixed by the articles.)

5. Provisions (if any) dealing with the preemptive right of shareholders pursuant to §7-1.1-24 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended:

Please see Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

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6. Provisions (if any) for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation:

Please see Exhibit B attached hereto and made a part hereof.

7. The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 180 South Main Street
(Street)

Providence, RI 02903 and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is
(City/Town) (Zip Code)

Steven E. Snow, Esq.

8. The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the corporation is 1 and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors are elected and shall qualify are: (If this is a close corporation pursuant to Section 7-1.1-51 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, and there shall be no board of directors, state the titles of the initial officers of the corporation and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as officers until the first annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors be elected and qualify.)

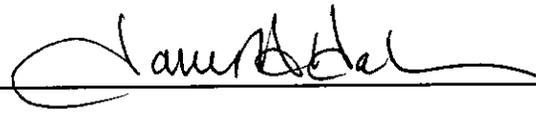
Title	Name	Address
Director	Stephen Saris	12 Black Elk Road, Sharon, MA 02067

9. The name and address of each incorporator is:

Name	Address
James H. Hahn, Esq.	180 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903

10. Date when corporate existence to begin: Upon filing.
(not more than 30 days after filing of these articles of incorporation)

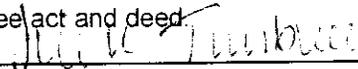
Dated October 15, 19 98



Signature of each Incorporator

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
COUNTY OF PROVIDENCE

In Providence, on this 15th day of October, 19 98 personally appeared before me James H. Hahn, Esq.
each and all known to me and known by me to be the parties executing the foregoing instrument, and they severally acknowledged said instrument by them subscribed to be their free act and deed.



Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 7/3/01

EXHIBIT A

The shareholders of the corporation shall be entitled to a pre-emptive right, for a period of thirty (30) days following the notice referred to below, to subscribe for, purchase or otherwise acquire, in the proportions which their holdings of the shares of common stock of the corporation bear to all of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation, (i) any shares of the same class of the corporation, any equity shares and/or any voting shares of any class of the corporation which the corporation proposes to issue, or (ii) any rights or options which the corporation proposes to grant (a) for the purchase of shares of the same class of the corporation, any equity shares and/or any voting shares of any class of the corporation, or (b) for the purchase of any shares, bonds, securities or obligations of the corporation which are convertible into, or exchangeable for, or which carry any rights to subscribe for, purchase or otherwise acquire shares of the same class of the corporation, any equity shares and/or any voting shares of any class of the corporation, whether now or hereafter authorized or created, whether having unissued or treasury status, and whether the proposed issue, reissue, transfer or grant is for cash, property or any other lawful consideration. The pre-emptive right granted herein shall be deemed waived by any shareholder who does not so exercise it and pay for shares, rights, options, bonds, securities or obligations within thirty (30) days after receipt of notice in writing from the corporation stating the price, terms and conditions of the offering. After the expiration of such thirty (30) day period, any and all of such shares, rights, options, bonds, securities or obligations of the corporation may be issued, reissued, transferred or granted by the corporation, as the case may be, to such persons, firms, corporations and associations, and for such lawful consideration, and on such terms as the corporation in its discretion may determine. As used herein, the terms "equity shares" and "voting shares" shall mean, respectively, shares which confer unlimited dividend rights and shares which confer unlimited voting rights.

The provisions contained herein are in lieu of the provisions regarding pre-emptive rights contained in Section 7-1.1-24 of the Rhode Island Business Corporation Act.

EXHIBIT B

1. The corporation may, from time to time, and in conformity with the provisions of the Rhode Island Business Corporation Act, distribute to its shareholders, directly or by the purchase of its own shares, a portion of its assets, in cash or property, out of the unreserved and unrestricted capital surplus of the corporation.

2. Except for those actions excluded by Section 7-1.1-30.3(b) of the Rhode Island Business Corporation Act, any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of shareholders may be taken without a meeting upon the written consent of less than all the shareholders entitled to vote thereon if the shareholders who so consent would be entitled to cast at least the minimum number of votes which would be required to take such action at a meeting at which all shareholders entitled to vote thereon were present. In the event of such written action, prompt notice of such action shall be given to all shareholders who would have been entitled to vote upon the action if such meeting were held.

3. No director shall have personal liability to the corporation or to its shareholders for monetary damages for breach of such director's duty as a director provided that this provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of such director: (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or to its shareholders; (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (iii) under Section 7-1.1-43 of the Rhode Island Business Corporation Act; or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit (unless such transaction is permitted by Section 7-1.1-37.1 of the Rhode Island Business Corporation Act).

4. The stock of the corporation is subject to transfer restrictions contained in its bylaws and copies thereof are on file at the registered office of the corporation. Certificates of stock of the corporation are transferable only upon compliance with the provisions of said transfer restrictions.

5. The corporation may provide, either in the corporation's bylaws or by contract, for the indemnification of directors, officers, employees and agents, by whomever elected or appointed, to the full extent presently permitted by law; provided, however, that if the applicable law is hereafter modified to permit indemnification in situations where it was not theretofor permitted, then such indemnifications may be permitted to the full extent permitted by such law as amended.

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LIFESPAN MALPRACTICE PLAN (LMP)
VERIFICATION OF INDEMNIFICATION

In reference to the 1999 LMP Coverage Summary, indicated below, this document is to verify that the Indemnified Individual is indemnified for healthcare-provider professional-liability claims that are reported during the Current Indemnification Coverage Period. Such indemnification is subject to the provisions, terms, conditions, exclusions, and the Limits of Coverage that are specified in the Indemnification Agreement. The Indemnification Agreement is provided by the Indemnifying Lifespan Hospital, through the LMP. The indicated Indemnifying Lifespan Hospital and the RI Risk Management Foundation, Inc., are affiliates of Lifespan Corporation. All correspondence and inquiries concerning this LMP coverage should be directed to the RI Risk Management Foundation, Inc., which is the exclusive risk-management agent for Lifespan Corporation and the LMP.

1999 LMP Coverage*

Indemnifying Lifespan Hospital (ILH):

Indemnified Individual:

Indemnified Medical Practice Group (MPG) Employer:

Other Indemnified Entity(ies) Concerning Exposures

Presented by the Indemnified Individual:

Rhode Island Hospital
Saris, Stephen, MD
Neurosurgery Foundation, Inc.

Stephen Saris, MD, PC
**LMP coverage would not apply to this exposure if
other coverage will or does apply.**

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Healthcare Provider Professional Liability,
Modified Claims Made

\$2,000,000./medical incident;

\$50,000,000./shared annual aggregate

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Indemnification Agreement No.:

LMP's Indemnification Retroactive Date:

LMP's Original Inception Date:

Exposures Covered by this Indem. Agreement:

Limits of Coverage:

Current Indemnification Coverage Period*:

Other Terms and Conditions of this Coverage:

- *Contingent on the named indemnitee's continuing to meet the criteria for coverage, including the LMP's annual certification of compliance.
- Other provisions and exclusions apply, as set forth in the Indemnification Agreement.

This Verification-of-Indemnification document is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the recipient. The issuer of this Verification-of-Indemnification document assumes no responsibility for any mistake or failure to give notice of any changed circumstances affecting coverage. Other coverage is neither express nor implied.



Authorized representative's signature

Timothy E. Murray, MS, INS

Insurance and Business Manager, RI Risk Management Foundation, Inc.

10/07/98
Date signed