

# State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

## ORIGINAL ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION (NON-BUSINESS CORPORATION)

Know all Men by these Presents, That we Reverend Robert P. Perron,  
Sister Susan Jenkinson, Martin J. Dutra, Marjorie R. Skahill and  
Mary E. Guzman

all of lawful age, hereby agree to and with each other:

FIRST. To associate ourselves together with the intention of forming a corporation under and by virtue of the powers conferred by Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended.

SECOND. Said corporation shall be known by the name of Lucy's Hearth

THIRD. Said corporation is constituted for the purpose of charitable, re-  
ligious and educational purposes, including, for such purposes,  
the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as an  
exempt organizations under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal  
Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future  
United States Internal Revenue Law).

In addition to the foregoing, said corporation shall have the following powers and authority, viz:—(See §§ 7-6-7, 7-6-7.1 and 7-6-8 of the General Laws.)

To do any lawful act which is necessary or proper to accomplish the purposes of its incorporation. Without limiting or enlarging the effect of this general grant of authority, it is hereby specifically provided that every such corporation shall have power

- (a) to have perpetual succession in its corporate name unless a period for its duration is limited in its articles of association or charter;
- (b) to sue and be sued in its corporate name;
- (c) to have and use a common seal and alter the same at pleasure;
- (d) to elect such officers and appoint such agents as its purposes require, and to fix their compensation and define their duties;
- (e) to make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this state, or with the corporation's charter or articles of association, determining the time and place of holding and the manner of calling and of conducting meetings of its members and directors, the manner of electing its officers and directors, the mode of voting by proxy, and the number, qualifications, powers, duties and term of office of its officers and directors, and containing any other provisions, whether of the same or of a different nature, for the management of the corporation's property and the regulation and government of its affairs;
- (f) to make contracts, incur liabilities and borrow money

Said corporation shall be entitled to take, hold, transmit and convey real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding in all one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), provided, however, that the foregoing limitation shall not apply to certain corporations organized for the purposes enumerated in § 7-6-8. If any corporation subject to the foregoing limitation desires to take and hold property to an amount exceeding one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) either originally or by amendment, such privilege shall be granted only by the general assembly on petition thereto.

(Over)

FOURTH. Said corporation shall be located in Middletown, Rhode Island.  
(City or Town)

(Further provisions not inconsistent with law)

FIFTH No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Third hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or influence (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions which are deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

SIXTH Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Superior Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as the Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

SEVENTH Lucy's Hearth is a charitable organization established specifically to offer temporary, emergency shelter in a non-institutional setting to women and their children in need. This service will be performed in an atmosphere of loving and Christian consideration and caring. There is no charge or fee required of any guest at Lucy's Hearth. Shelter is temporary but each guest may stay as long as the emergency exists. There is no discrimination as to color, race, sex, or creed. Lucy's Hearth is open seven days a week. All monies received go directly for the upkeep of the house and providing services for the guests.

In Testimony Whereof, We have hereunto set our hands and stated our residences this

31<sup>st</sup> day of May A. D. 19 84

NAME	RESIDENCE
Reverend Robert P. Perron	909 West Main Road, Middletown, RI
Sister Susan Jenkinson	32 Dearborn Street, Newport, RI
Martin J. Dutra	Underwood Lane, Middletown, RI
Marjorie R. Skahill	10 Sherman Road, Middletown, RI
Mary E. Guzman	442 Semmes Street, Middletown, RI

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, }  
COUNTY OF Newport }

In the City }  
Town } of Middletown

in said county this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May A. D. 19 84, then  
personally appeared before me Reverend Robert P. Perron, Sister Susan  
Jenkinson, Martin J. Dutra, Marjorie R. Skahill and Mary E. Guzman

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.

*Michael W. Miller*  
Notary Public.

*add*  
JUN 12 1984  
JUN 21 1984

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LUCY'S HEARTH

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