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Office of the Secretary of State**

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Non-Profit Corporation

Articles of Incorporation

(Chapter 7-6-34 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is Rhode Island Battlefield Trust

ARTICLE II

The period of its duration is Perpetual

ARTICLE III

The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND TO PRESERVE, PROTECT, AND MAINTAIN THE 450 ACRES ON AQUIDNECK ISLAND KNOWN

AS THE BATTLE OF RHODE ISLAND BATTLEFIELD IN THE TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH, RI THAT TOOK PLACE ON SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 1778. THE RHODE ISLAND BATTLEFIELD TRUST WILL WORK WITH OTHER NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, PATRIOTIC GROUPS, HISTORIC SOCIETIES, OUR RI STATE LEGISLATURE, OUR RHODE ISLAND CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO CREATE LEGISLATURE CREATING A RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD ON AQUIDNECK ISLAND HONORING THE FIRST RHODE ISLAND REGIMENT

ALSO KNOWN AS THE BLACK REGIMENT AND THE FIRST FOREIGN ALLIANCE IN BATTLE WITH THE FRENCH NAVY AT THE BATTLE OF RHODE ISLAND. GOAL TO CREATE THIS NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD BY THE SEQUICENTENNIAL OF THE BATTLE OF RHODE ISLAND ON 29 AUGUST 2028.

ARTICLE IV

Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

ARTICLE V

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

No. and Street: 94 FIELDSTONE DRIVE

City or Town: PORTSMOUTH

State: RI

Zip: 02871

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is MURRAY C. NORCROSS, JR., MD

ARTICLE VI

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 3 and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
DIRECTOR	DAVID RIESE	66 FREEBORN STREET PORTSMOUTH , RI 02871 USA
DIRECTOR	MAUREEN DANIELS	22 LAFAYETTE STREET PORTSMOUTH, RI 02871 USA
DIRECTOR	ANN MARIE DALLAIRE-NORCROSS	94 FIELDSTONE DRIVE PORTSMOUTH, RI 02871 USA

ARTICLE VII

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	MURRAY C NORCROSS JR.	94 FIELDSTONE DRIVE PORTSMOUTH, RI 02871 USA

ARTICLE VIII

Date when corporate existence is to begin 02/20/2024

(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

Signed this 19 Day of February, 2024 at 9:14:49 PM by the incorporator(s). *This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the corporation, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-6.*

Enter signature(s) below.

MURRAY C NORCROSS JR

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Gregg M. Amore, *Secretary of State*

I, GREGG M. AMORE, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island,
hereby certify that this document, duly executed in accordance with the provisions
of Title 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended, has been filed in this
office on this day:

February 19, 2024 09:11 PM

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregg M. Amore".

Gregg M. Amore
Secretary of State

