# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of the 55TH WING ASSOCIATION, INC.

#### **SEPTEMBER 2010**

A Florida Corporation, not for profit.

## **ARTICLE I - CORPORTATE NAME**

The name of this corporation, not for profit, is the 55th Wing Association, Inc.

## **ARTICLE II - DURATION**

This corporation shall exist perpetually, commencing upon the filing of Articles of Incorporation by the Department of State of Florida.

## **ARTICLE III - PURPOSE**

The Corporation is organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes to foster and advance patriotism, love of country, and for charitable purposes associated therewith, together with providing pleasure of association for recreational purposes of former members and associates of the United States Air Force unit known as the 55th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing and members, former members and associates of the 55th Wing. This Corporation shall not engage in any profitable activity and there shall be no net earnings which benefit any member, officer or director.

## **ARTICLE IV - ADDRESS**

The street address of the initial principle office of this Corporation is: 151 Calhoun Avenue, Unit 507, Destin, Florida 32541.

## **ARTICLE V - DIRECTORS**

The method of election of Directors shall be as stated in the Corporation Bylaws.

## ARTICLE VI - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have three directors initially. The numbers of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time, by the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three. The names of the initial directors of this Corporation are John B. Marks, Errol Hoberman and Charles Waters.

## ARTICLE VII - REGISTERED AGENT AND INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE

The registered agent and the street address of the initial registered office of this Corporation in the State of Florida shall be: Charles E. Waters, 151 Calhoun Avenue, Unit 507, Destin, Florida 32541. The Board of Directors from time to time may move the registered office to any other address in the State of Florida.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in this Corporation shall be open to all current and former members and associates of the 55th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing, and the 55th Wing. Initial membership is established by the roster of members dated June 1, 1994. Any member may terminate his/her relationship with this Corporation by submitting a letter of resignation to the Board of Directors. The Corporation will have classes of membership as specified in the Bylaws.

## **ARTICLE IX - BYLAWS**

This Corporation shall adopt Bylaws commensurate with its purpose. These Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed by the act of a majority of the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE X - INCORPORATION**

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles as Incorporator is: *Lawrence P. Bush, 150 Eglin Parkway NE, Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32548.* 

## ARTICLE XI - DISSOLUTION/UNENCUMBERED ASSETS

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, all unencumbered assets shall be gifted to the Air Force Aid Society.

This is a true extract of the original Articles of Incorporation dated 6 Feb 1995, as amended thereafter, and with final amendment dated 15 Sept 2010 which, among other things, changed the name from the 55<sup>th</sup> Strat Recon Wing Association, Inc to be the 55<sup>th</sup> Wing Association, Inc.

James Thomas

President

55<sup>th</sup> Wing Association