

Articles of Incorporation
WHIPPET RESCUE AND PLACEMENT, INC.
(A Non-Stock Corporation)

FIRST: The undersigned, Barbara L. Henderson, whose address is 16200 Burtons Lane, Laurel, Maryland 20707, being at least eighteen (18) years of age, does hereby form a corporation under the laws of the State of Maryland.

SECOND: The name of the corporation is **WHIPPET RESCUE AND PLACEMENT, INC.**

THIRD: The purposes for which the corporation is formed are as follows: Rescue includes pickup from owners or animal welfare facilities, assessment of the Whippet's suitability as a pet, providing health care and training as needed and appropriate, qualification of prospective homes, placement, follow-up, and, if a placement fails, recovery into Whippet rescue. Specifically, the corporation is (A) To be a separate, non-profit organization to assist Whippets needing new homes and assist local rescue groups and individuals in all aspects of rescuing Whippet dogs from animal shelters; (B) To provide education and charitable assistance to individuals on all aspects of Whippet rescue, including the maintenance of a list of volunteers willing to provide assistance for rescued Whippets; (C) To provide assistance to individuals who need to place their Whippets in a new home due to family circumstances or other unforeseen events; (D) To assist and educate individuals who are looking to adopt a rescue Whippet; (E) To provide follow-up educational services to individuals who adopt a rescue Whippet; (F) To transport and help arrange transport of rescued Whippets to new homes; (G) To prevent cruelty to animals and provide funds for the purpose of having Whippets spayed or neutered to prevent over breeding; (H) To pay for appropriate routine and preventative veterinary care given to Whippets in rescue; and (I) . To raise funds to assist local Whippet rescue groups or individuals in the rescue, foster care, veterinary care, transportation, purchase of Whippets from shelters, auctions, and animal welfare groups, and placement of rescued Whippets.

FOURTH: The street address of the principal office of the corporation in Maryland is 16200 Burtons Lane, Laurel (Prince George's County), Maryland 20707.

FIFTH: The name of the resident agent of the corporation in Maryland is Barbara L. Henderson, whose address is 16200 Burtons Lane, Laurel, Maryland 20707.

SIXTH: The corporation has no authority to issue capital stock.

SEVENTH: The number of directors of the corporation shall be at least three (3), which number may be increased up to five (5) pursuant to the bylaws of the corporation, but may never be less than three (3). The names of the directors who shall act until the first meeting or until their successors are duly chosen

and qualified, are Barbara L. Henderson, Peggy Bush, Lori Nelson, Jean Schroeder, and Marilyn Standerford.

EIGHTH: 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 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.

Upon dissolution of the corporation other than for purposes of reorganization, whether voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law, none of the assets or other property of the corporation nor any proceeds therefrom shall be distributed to any member(s) of the corporation, but after payment of the debts of the corporation, the remaining assets and property of the corporation shall be distributed to a charitable organization, qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, for the benefit of dogs, as selected by the Board of directors in the exercise of its sole discretion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed
these articles of incorporation and
acknowledge the same to be my act, this
_____ day of _____, 2002

SIGNATURE OF INCORPORATOR:

Barbara L. Henderson

RETURN TO:
Stephen Groh, Attorney-at-Law
3445 Bruton Parish Way
Silver Spring, Maryland 20904-4845
(301) 890-7335

I hereby consent to my designation in this
document as resident agent for this
corporation

**SIGNATURE OF RESIDENT AGENT
LISTED IN ARTICLE FIFTH:**

Barbara L. Henderson