

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF**

POST # _____

CANTEEN/HOME ASSOCIATION, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

In compliance with the provisions of the Non-Profit Corporation Law of 1988, 15 PA, C. S. 5306, as amended, the undersigned, all of whom are of full age, citizens of the United States, and residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, desiring that they may be incorporated as a nonprofit corporation, do hereby certify:

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be _____ Post # _____
Canteen/Home Association, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

**ARTICLE III
LOCATION**

The location of the Post shall be _____
(Address)

**ARTICLE III
PURPOSE**

The purpose of the organization shall be:

Fraternal, patriotic, historical, charitable and educational; to preserve and strengthen comradeship among its members; to assist worthy comrades; to perpetuate the memory and history of our dead and to assist their surviving spouses and orphans; to maintain true allegiance to the government of the United States of America and fidelity to its Constitution and laws; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom and to preserve and defend the United States from all her enemies.

This incorporated subordinate unit of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, shall at all times remain under the jurisdiction of, and be governed according to the Congressional Charter and Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. In the event that any provision of this Certificate of Incorporation conflicts with the National Charter and Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, such conflicting provisions shall be deemed null and void, and the National Charter and Bylaws shall, at all times, govern.

**ARTICLE IV
MEMBERSHIP**

The active and voting membership of this corporation shall at all times consist of and be confined to the active membership in good standing in _____ Post # _____ Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, with eligibility to, acquiring of, suspension from, and discontinuance of membership being in accordance with the National Charter and Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

**ARTICLE V
INCORPORATORS**

The names and residences of the incorporators of this corporation are as follows:

Post Commander: _____
Name and Address

Post Sr. Vice Commander: _____
Name and Address

Post Quartermaster: _____
Name and Address

**ARTICLE VI
MANAGEMENT AND ELECTIONS**

The members of the Post and officers of this corporation shall manage the affairs of this corporation and elected officers shall consist of the President, Vice President, Treasurer and elected members. Actions of the officers of the Corporation as set forth herein shall be at all times subject to the approval of the membership.

**ARTICLE VII
OFFICERS**

The names and addresses of the officers and members of this Post Canteen/Home Association who are to serve as officers of the Corporation until their successors are duly elected and installed are as follows:

Post Commander: _____
who shall serve as President Name and Address

Post Sr. Vice Commander: _____
who shall serve as Vice President Name and Address

Post Adjutant: _____
who shall serve as Secretary Name and Address

Post Quartermaster: _____
who shall serve as Treasurer Name and Address

The officers of the Corporation shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Post to be held during the month of April each and every year, except the Post Adjutant who shall be appointed by the Post Commander on the night of installation or as soon thereafter as possible. On the night of the election or as soon thereafter the elected officers shall appoint or elect the Chairman of the Corporation. The officers shall serve until the date of installation of the Department Commander, and on that date the elected and appointed officers shall assume office.

ARTICLE VIII BYLAWS

Bylaws for this corporation may be made, altered or rescinded after presentation to the Post by any member in good standing and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Post membership in good standing present and voting at a noticed meeting provided each member had been notified at least twenty (20) days in advance and upon request, provided a copy of the proposed Bylaws. All amendments shall be forwarded through channels and reviewed by the Department Commander.

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be made, altered or rescinded after presentation to the Post by any member in good standing and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Post membership in good standing present and voting at a noticed meeting provided each member had been notified at least twenty (20) days in advance and upon request, provided a copy of the proposed Articles of Incorporation. All amendments shall be forwarded through channels and reviewed by the Department Commander.

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

In the event of dissolution of this corporation all of the assets shall be the property of Post No. _____ Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, and in the event of the simultaneous dissolution of this corporation and the forfeiture of the charter issued by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States to said subordinate unit then, and in that event, title to all of the assets of this corporation shall pass to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States to be disposed of in accordance with the National Bylaws, rules and regulations of the said Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. At no time shall the assets of the corporation be distributed among the individual members thereof.

| Post Commander | Date |
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| Department Commander | Date |
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| Department of Pennsylvania Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States | |

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