

Articles of Incorporation  
Of  
Saint Francis Center

I, the undersigned, being of legal age, hereby incorporate under the Minnesota non-profit corporation act, Minn. Stat. Ch. 317A:

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be "Saint Francis Center".

ARTICLE II

The registered office of this corporation shall be located at 11161 16<sup>th</sup> St. NE, Saint Michael, MN, 55376, County of Wright.

ARTICLE III

This corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, scientific, and educational purposes, all as contemplated and permitted by Sections 170 (c) (2) AND 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and the specific and primary purpose of this corporation shall be to provide animal assisted activities and animal assisted therapy to handicapped and non-handicapped persons and to promote and support animal education and healthy life choices.

For such purposes, and not otherwise, this corporation shall have and exercise only such powers as are required by and are consistent with the foregoing purposes, including the power to acquire and receive funds and property of every kind and nature whatsoever, whether by purchase, conveyance, lease, gift, grant, bequest, legacy, devise, or otherwise and whether in trust or otherwise, and to own, hold, expend, make gifts, grants and contributions of, and to convey, transfer, and dispose of any funds and property and the income therefrom in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation hereinabove set forth, or any of them, and to lease mortgage, encumber, and use the same, and such other powers that are consistent with the Non-profit Corporation Act and by any future laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto: provided, however, that all such powers of this corporation within the contemplation of Sections 170 (c) (2) AND 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

All reference in these Articles of Incorporation to a particular section of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 shall mean and include, as now enacted or as hereafter amended, such section and provisions of federal law as is or may hereafter be applicable, cognate to such section.

ARTICLE IV

This corporation shall not, incidentally or otherwise, afford or pay any pecuniary gain, dividends, or other pecuniary remuneration to its board members as such, and no part of the net income or net earnings of this corporation shall, directly or indirectly, be distributable to or otherwise inure to the benefit of any member, director, officer, or individual, but this corporation may pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and for supplies furnished to this corporation in furtherance of its purposes set forth in Article III hereof. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and this corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political office. This corporation shall not lead any of its assets to any officer, director, or member of this corporation or guarantee to any person the payment of loan by any officer, director, or member of this corporation.


ARTICLE V

The period of duration of corporate existence of this corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE VI

The members of the corporation shall be the incorporator and board of directors. The management and direction of the business and affairs of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors. The number, qualifications, terms of office, method of election, powers, authority, and duties of the directors of this corporation, the time and place of their meeting, and such other provisions with respect to them as are not inconsistent with the express provisions of these Articles of Incorporation shall be specified in the Bylaws of this corporation.

The name and addresses of the members of the incorporator and the Board of Directors of this corporation at the time of adoption of these Articles of Incorporation are:

<u>Incorporator Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Kim K. McKimmy	11161 16 <sup>th</sup> St. NE, St. Michael, MN 55376-4218
 Signature	4/29/2022 Date

<u>Board of Directors Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Kim K. McKimmy, President & Board Member	11161 16 <sup>th</sup> St. NE, St. Michael, MN 55376-4218
Andrea L. Rahm, Board Member	3735 Ronneby Rd. NE, Foley, MN 56329-9721
Naomi Farr, Board Member	5960 104 <sup>th</sup> Ave. N, Loretto, MN 55357-2126
Nyra Wimmergren, Board Member	24092 Rivers Edge Road, Rogers, MN 55374

ARTICLE VII

The officers, directors, and members of this corporation shall not be personally liable to any extent whatsoever for any debts or obligations of this corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

This corporation shall have no capital stock, either authorized or issued.

ARTICLE IX

This corporation may be dissolved in accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of the section of 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction 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 said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.