

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION - NONSTOCK CORPORATION

Executed by the undersigned for the purpose of forming a Wisconsin nonstock corporation under Ch. 181 of the Wisconsin Statutes, repealed and recreated by 1997 Wisconsin Act 79:

Articles of Incorporation:

Article I: Name of the corporation: GLBT Resource Center for the Seven Rivers Area, Inc.

Article II: The corporation is organized under Ch. 181 of the Wisconsin Statutes

Article III. Name of the initial registered agent: Jeanne Marie Fischer.

Article IV: Street address of the initial registered office: 1827 Adams Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

Article V: Mailing address of the initial principle office. 1827 Adams Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

Article VI: The corporation will have members. The corporation may have one or classes of members, the qualifications and rights, including voting rights, of which shall be designated in the bylaws.

Article VII: Names and address of initial directors. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is Nine (9), and the names and address of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors until the first annual meeting, or until their successors are elected and qualified are:

Cindy Killion, 222 S. Main St, P.O. Box 371, Fountain City, WI 54629

Ann Kramer, 5638 Oak Forest Lane, Houston. MN 55943

Margaret Beth Cherne, 222 Main St, P.O. Box 371, Fountain City, WI 54629

Mary F. O'Sullivan, N1079 Lauterbach Road, La Crosse, WI 54601

Kelly Teachout, 27273 Blue Heron Road, Dakota, MN 55925

Jeanne Fischer, 1827 Adams Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

Pamela R. Walhovd, 205 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Brownsville, MN 55919

Joy Holthaus, 133 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, P.O.. Box 461, Onalaska, WI 54650

Daniel Linton, 927 Farnam Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

The members of the Board of Directors shall be those individuals elected, from time to time, in accordance with the By-laws.

Article VIII: The corporation is organized and will be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Specifically the corporation is organized to: (1) provide volunteer services to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community, their families, friends and allies, through educational programs, referral and resource services, and serve as a focal point for support and communication in the community; (2) create and encourage educational environments which promote diversity of all individuals and institutions; (3) provide education on issues related to sexual orientation and gender identity to the larger community. In pursuance of these purposes it shall have the powers to carry on any business or activity which may be lawfully conducted by a corporation organized under Wisconsin Nonstock Corporations Act, whether or not related to the foregoing purposes, and to do all things necessary, proper and consistent with maintaining tax exempt status under section 501(c) (3).

Article IX: The internal affairs of the corporation shall be regulated by the Board of Directors, as described in the Bylaws. Upon dissolution of the corporation, its assets shall be disposed of exclusively for the purposes of the corporation or distributed to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable which shall, at the time, qualify as exempt organizations under 501(c) (3).

Article X: No part of the next earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to any director, employee, or other individual, partnership, estate, trust or corporation having a personal or private interest in the corporation. Compensation for services actually rendered and reimbursement for expenses actually incurred in attending to the affairs of this corporation shall be limited to reasonable amounts. No substantial amount of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, otherwise attempting to influence legislation and this corporation shall not intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Articles or of any Bylaws adopted thereunder, this corporation shall not take any action not permitted by the laws which then apply to this corporation.

Article XI: Name and address of each incorporator:

Cindy Killion, 222 Main Street, P.O. Box 371, Fountain City, WI 54629

Daniel Lintin, 927 Farnam Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

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Incorporator's Signature

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This document was drafted by: