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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF METROPOLITAN DES MOINES, INC.**

We, the undersigned natural persons all being of the age of eighteen years or more, acting as incorporators under the Iowa Non-Profit Corporation Act, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such Corporation:

**Article I
NAME**

The name of the corporation is

League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Des Moines, Inc.

**Article II
DURATION**

The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual.

**Article III
PURPOSE**

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that also qualify as Section 501(c)(3) exempt organizations. To this end, the corporation shall encourage informed participation in the political process. All funds, whether income or principal, and whether acquired by gift or contribution or otherwise, shall be devoted to said purposes.

**Article IV
MEMBERS/STOCK**

The corporation shall not have any class of members or stock.

**Article V
BY-LAWS**

Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation shall be set forth in the By-Laws.

**Article VI
INCORPORATOR**

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No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its trustees, officers, or other private 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 III hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or supplemented, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(e)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or supplemented.

**Article XI
DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or supplemented, 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 the District Court 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.

In Witness Whereof, I, Jane Riessen, have executed these Articles of Incorporation in duplicate this 20 day of November, 2006, and say:

I am the named incorporator and have read the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation; know the contents thereof and that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, excepting as to matters herein alleged upon information and belief and as to those matters I believe to be true.



 Jane Riessen

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