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**CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
ETHIOPIA & ERITREA RPCVs, INC.**

Under Section 402 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a not-for-profit corporation under Section 402 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, hereby certifies that:

1. The name of the Corporation is Ethiopia & Eritrea RPCVs, Inc.
2. The Corporation is a corporation as defined in subparagraph (a)(5) of Section 102 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law and is not formed, conducted or operated for purposes of pecuniary profit or financial gain. The Corporation is a Type B Corporation under Section 201 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.
3. The Corporation is formed and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes that include, to promote world peace and understanding, particularly among the peoples of the United States, Ethiopia and Eritrea; to inform and educate the general public about other countries, particularly Ethiopia and Eritrea; to promote opportunities for achieving sustainable economic development and the relief of poverty in Ethiopia and Eritrea, by providing volunteers, equipment, services and financial resources which are needed to further this purpose.

Nothing herein shall authorize the Corporation to operate or maintain an institution of higher learning or to grant degrees. Nothing herein shall authorize the Corporation to operate or maintain a museum or historical society. Nothing herein shall authorize the Corporation to engage in the practice of the profession of medicine or any other profession required to be licensed by Title VIII of the Education Law. Nothing herein shall authorize the Corporation to provide professional training in the profession of medicine or any other profession required to be licensed by Title VIII of the Education Law.

4. (a) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, director, or officer of the Corporation or any private individual, except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation. No member, trustee, director or officer of the Corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Corporation.

(b) No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as now in effect or may hereafter be



amended) (the "Code"). The Corporation shall not participate or intervene (including the publication or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the following purposes: religious, charitable, scientific, testing for public safety, literary, or educational purposes, as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. The Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (i) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or (ii) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

(d) In the event of the liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law, all of the remaining assets and property of the Corporation shall after necessary expenses thereof be distributed to one or more organizations which are then qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code to be used in such manner as in the judgment of a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York will best accomplish the general purposes for which this Corporation was formed.

5. The office of the Corporation in the State of New York shall be located in the County of Monroe.

6. The names and addresses of the initial directors of the Corporation are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>STREET ADDRESS</u>
Hayward Allen	264 Garnsey Road Pittsford, NY 14534
Marian Haley Beil	4 Lodge Pole Road Pittsford, NY 14534
Cora Jean Smith Castagnaro	1118 Walnut Grove Avenue Rosemead, CA 91770
Leo Cecchini	17105-A6 San Carlos Blvd. #101 Ft. Myers, FL 33931
John P. Coyne	99 Reed Avenue Pelham, NY 10803-2444
Gloria A. Gieseke Curtis	15670 W 64 <sup>th</sup> Place Arvada, CO 80007-6937
David R. Gurr	4311 Loyola Avenue Alexandria, VA 22304-1033

Gerard Hoffman	445 Third Street Brooklyn, NY 11215-2983
Carol Mauritsen-McDonald	6937 Blue Hill Drive San Jose, CA 95129
Judith Armayor Smith	7628 17 <sup>th</sup> Street NW Washington, DC 20012
Jim Solomon	28484 Mission Blvd, #304 Hayward, CA 94544-4922

7. The Secretary of State of the State of New York is hereby designated as the agent of the Corporation upon whom process in any action or proceeding against the Corporation may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process so served is:

Ethiopia & Eritrea RPCVs, Inc.  
Four Lodge Pole Road  
Pittsford, New York 14534

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporators, being at least eighteen years of age, have signed this certificate this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2003 and hereby affirm the truth of the statements contained herein under penalty of perjury.

  
Anita L. Pelletier, Incorporator

State of New York }  
Department of State } ss:

*I hereby certify that the annexed copy has been compared with the original document filed by the Department of State and that the same is a true copy of said original.*

*Witness my hand and seal of the Department of State on*

**June 05, 2003**



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. A. J.", is written over the printed title.

Secretary of State



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