



Calera Lodge No. 2703

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

P.O. Box 1098
Calera, AL 35040

ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION OF

CALERA ELKS LODGE #2703

OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

KNOW ALL MEN BE THESE PRESENT: That we, as the undersigned, have this eighth day of March 2019, voluntarily associated ourselves together for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Alabama, and we hereby certify:

FIRST: That the name of said non-profit corporation shall be "Calera Elks Lodge, Number 2703", Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America.

SECOND: That the purpose for which the Corporation is formed are:

- (a) The primary purpose of which this Corporation is formed is to inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship and to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization.
- (b) Other purposes for which the Corporation is formed are; to do all the acts and things, and business and businesses in any corporation, or necessary, incidental, convenient or auxiliary thereto, calculated directly or indirectly to promote the interest, objectives, and ideas of the organization, and in addition, to have and exercise all rights, power and privileges now or hereafter belonging to our conferred upon non-profit corporation existing under the law of the State of Alabama.
- (c) The forgoing statement of purpose or purposes shall be construed as a statement of both purposes and powers and the purposes and powers in each clause shall, except where otherwise expressed, be in no way limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of provisions of any other clause, but shall be regarded as independent purposes and powers.



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THIRD: This Corporation is organized exclusively as a fraternal organization, as a non-profit corporation, and its activities shall be conducted for the aforesaid purpose in such manner that no part of its net earnings will ensure to the benefit of any member, director, Trustee, Officers or individual.

FOURTH: That said Corporation is organized pursuant to the General Non-profit Corporation Law.

FIFTH: That the principal office for the transaction of business of the Corporation is to be located in the County of Shelby, State of Alabama. The location and street address of its initial registered office is 355 Pilgreen Drive in the City of Calera and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is Linda Porter.

SIXTH:

- (a) The Officers, Directors and Trustees of the Corporation, their nominations, elections or appointment, installation power and authority shall be in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws of the Corporation.
- (b) The governing body of this corporation shall be its Board of Directors, which said Board of Directors shall consist of all the following: the Officers of the Corporation, who are entitled EXALTED RULER, ESTEEMED LEADING KNIGHT, ESTEEMED LOYAL KNIGHT, ESTEEMED LECTURING KNIGHT, and five (5) persons who shall bear the title of Trustee.
- (c) The names and address of the persons who are to act in the capacity of directors of this Corporation until the selection of their successors are as follows:

EXALTER RULER – Linda Porter – 1809 Mohawk Drive, Alabaster, Alabama 35007; ESTEEMED LEADING KNIGHT – Jack Mann – 679 Oakley Station Road, Randolph, Alabama 36792; ESTEEMED LOYAL KNIGHT – Tanya Mann – 679 Oakley Station Road, Randolph, Alabama 36792; ESTEEMED LECTURING KNIGHT – Sylvia Allen – 213 Silverstone Lane, Alabaster, Alabama 35007; TRUSTEES – Clarke Cook – 89 Shaw Drive, Chelsea, Alabama 35043; Harvey Deane – 245 Camden Cove Parkway, Calera, Alabama 35040; Becky Lucas – 3560 AL Highway 155, Jemison, Alabama 35085; Thomas Smith – 3888 County Road 107, Randolph, Alabama 36792; Jack Wren – 1857 Massey Road, Alabaster, Alabama 35007.

SEVENTH: That the By-Laws of said Corporation shall define the duties of the Directors, Officers and Trustees of the Corporation; that the manner of election and term of office of the Directors, Officers and Trustees of the Corporation shall be as set forth in the By-Laws of the Corporation; that the number of persons to serve in the capacity of Directors may be changed from time to time by the By-Laws of said Corporation, and that said Corporation is

hereby granted authority to make a Code of By-Laws for its government, and to amend the same from time to time as provided in said By-Laws.

EIGHTH: This Corporation is organized with the permission of the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, and the business of the Corporation and all its acts, decisions, and other actions of its officers and members in carrying out the purpose and powers shall at all time conform with the provisions of the Grand Lodge Constitution and Statutes of the Order enacted pursuant thereto as well as the provisions of State Law.

NINTH: In all matters relating to property, both real and personal, including but not limited to purchase, sale, mortgage, hiring and leasing, the provisions of Section 16.050, Statutes of the Order relating to notice and required vote shall be fully complied with.

TENTH: The term of this corporation shall be perpetual.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands this eighth day of March, 2019.

EXALTER RULER- Linda Porter *Linda Porter*

ESTEEMED LEADING KNIGHT – Jack Mann *Jack Mann*

ESTEEMED LOYAL KNIGHT – Tanya Mann *Tanya Mann*

ESTEEMED LECTURING KNIGHT - Sylvia Allen *Sylvia Allen*

TRUSTEE – Clarke Cook *Clarke Cook*

TRUSTEE – Harvey Deane *Harvey Deane*

TRUSTEE – Becky Lucas *Becky Lucas*

TRUSTEE – Thomas Smith *Thomas Smith*

TRUSTEE – Jack Wren *Jack Wren*

This Instrument Prepared By:

Linda Porter

Linda Porter
Calera, Alabama


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