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Merging (Transferor) \_\_\_\_\_

Surviving (Transferee) \_\_\_\_\_

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New Name \_\_\_\_\_

FEES REMITTED

Base Fee:	_____	100
Org. & Cap. Fee:	_____	20
Expedite Fee:	_____	70
Penalty:	_____	
State Recordation Tax:	_____	
State Transfer Tax:	_____	
1 Certified Copies	_____	
Copy Fee:	_____	22
Certificates	_____	
Certificate of Status Fee:	_____	
Personal Property Filings:	_____	
Mail Processing Fee:	_____	5
Other:	_____	

TOTAL FEES: \_\_\_\_\_ 217

_____	Change of Name
_____	Change of Principal Office
_____	Change of Resident Agent
_____	Change of Resident Agent Address
_____	Resignation of Resident Agent
_____	Designation of Resident Agent and Resident Agent's Address
_____	Change of Business Code
_____	Adoption of Assumed Name
_____	Other Change(s)

Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ Check  Cash \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Documents on \_\_\_\_\_ Checks

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ 4

Keyed By: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENT(S):

Code \_\_\_\_\_

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail: Name and Address



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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR A STOCK CORPORATION**

[REDACTED]

**A "BENEFIT CORPORATION" FORMED UNDER  
MARYLAND CODE, CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS ARTICLE  
TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 6C**

**FIRST:** The undersigned, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] being at least eighteen years of age, does hereby form a BENEFIT CORPORATION under the laws of the State of Maryland.

**SECOND:** The name of the corporation is [REDACTED]

**THIRD:** The corporation elects to be a "benefit corporation" under Maryland Code, Corporations and Associations Article, Section 5-6C-03(A).

**FOURTH:** The purposes for which the benefit corporation is formed are as follows:

- (1) to create a general public benefit;
- (2) to create the specific public benefits of:
  - (a) providing individuals or communities with beneficial products or services;
  - (b) promoting economic opportunity for individuals or communities beyond the creation of jobs in the normal course of business;
  - (c) preserving the environment;
- (3) to own and operate a pet supply store focused on selling goods and services for pets and companion animals that are healthy alternatives to traditional pet supply stores; and
- (4) to do any and all other lawful activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States, Maryland, or any other state, county, territory, or nation.

**FIFTH:** The street address of the principal office of the benefit corporation in Maryland is [REDACTED] ✓

**SIXTH:** The name and address of the resident agent of the benefit corporation in Maryland is [REDACTED] ✓

**SEVENTH:** The benefit corporation has authority to issue 1,000,000 shares at \$.001 par value per share.

**EIGHTH:** The number of directors of the benefit corporation shall be two, which number may be increased or decreased pursuant to the bylaws of the benefit corporation, and so long as there are fewer than three (3) stockholders, the number of directors may be less than three (3) but not less than the number of stockholders, and the names of the directors who shall act until the first meeting or until their successors are duly chosen and qualified are:



**NINTH:**

1. Managers and officers of the benefit corporation shall not be liable to the benefit corporation or its members for money damages. The purpose of this limitation of liability is to limit liability to the maximum extent that the liability of managers and officers of Maryland benefit corporations is permitted to be limited by Maryland law. This limitation on liability shall apply to events occurring at the time a person is an officer or director of the benefit corporation, whether such person is a director or officer at the time of any proceeding in which liability is asserted.

2. To the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law, the benefit corporation shall indemnify its directors and officers against any and all liabilities and expenses incurred in connection with their services in such capacities. This indemnification of managers and officers shall also apply to managers and officers who are employees, in their capacity as employees. The members may, by operating agreement or resolution, make further provision for indemnification of managers, employees or agents to the extent permitted by Maryland law.

3. Reference to Maryland law shall include the relevant statute as amended from time to time, as well as any other governing statute or common law. Neither the repeal or amendment of this Article, nor any other amendment to the Articles of Incorporation, shall eliminate or reduce the protection afforded to any person by the foregoing provisions of this Article with respect to any act or omission which shall have occurred prior to such repeal or amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed these articles and acknowledge the same to be my act:

Signature of Incorporator:



Filing party's return address:



I hereby consent to my designation in this document as resident agent for this corporation.

Signature of Resident Agent listed in Article Sixth:

