

**Articles of Incorporation
of the
Allegheny Mountain Rescue Group, Inc.
Major Revisions 2006**

**Allegheny Mountain Rescue Group, Inc.
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ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this corporation shall be: Allegheny Mountain Rescue Group, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the Group.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific 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. All funds, whether income or principal, and whether acquired by gift or contribution or otherwise, shall be devoted to said purposes. To this end, the specific purposes of the group shall be:

- A. To provide wilderness search and rescue capability, and special technical rescue capability, within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and other regions as necessary;
- B. To conduct training and educational programs in subjects related to wilderness search and rescue and special technical rescue;
- C. To conduct training and educational programs in subjects related to wilderness safety and survival;
- D. To serve as a coordinating agency for related rescue and survival information, equipment, and resources; and
- E. To conduct and carry out the work of the Group, not for profit, but exclusively for humanitarian, educational, and public service purposes.

ARTICLE III – LIMITATIONS

At all times the following shall operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the Group:

1. No part of the net earnings of the Group shall inure to any member of the corporation not qualifying as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the

- Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, nor to any Director or officer of the Group, nor to any other private persons, excepting solely such reasonable compensation that the corporation shall pay for services actually rendered to the corporation, or allowed by the corporation as a reasonable allowance for authorized expenditures incurred on behalf of the Group;
2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office; and
 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Group shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE IV – DIRECTORS/MEMBERS

The Group shall have a voting membership, and may have classes of same (if any), as defined in the Group's Bylaws. The management and affairs of the Group shall be at all times under the direction of a Board of Directors, whose operations in governing the corporation shall be defined by statute and by the Group's Bylaws. No member or Director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the Group. The number of persons constituting the Board shall be fixed in the Groups Bylaws and may be altered by amending the Bylaws. The Bylaws shall also fix the term of office and qualifications of the Board members.

ARTICLE V – DEBT OBLIGATIONS AND PERSONAL LIABILITY

No member, officer, or Director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers, or Directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

ARTICLE VI – 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, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, 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

Court of Common Pleas 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.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors at any meeting provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given to the Directors not less than twenty-five nor more than fifty days prior to the meeting.