

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE STEEL LOTUS ALLIANCE**

Commonwealth of Virginia
State Corporation Commission
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The undersigned, intending to form a Virginia nonstock corporation pursuant to Chapter 10 of Title 13.1 of the Code of Virginia, states as follows:

**ARTICLE I
CORPORATE NAME**

The name of the corporation is The Steel Lotus Alliance.

**ARTICLE II
PURPOSES**

This corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax law.

The specific purposes of the corporation include, but are not limited to:

- Supporting and empowering survivors of sexual abuse, sexual assault, exploitation, trafficking, and related sexual trauma across all age demographics, as well as their immediate families impacted by the abuse;
- Advancing public education, awareness, and community outreach regarding the distinct impact of sexual abuse, trauma, and systemic barriers to safety through public awareness campaigns, educational booths at community festivals, and dedicated community events;
- Advocating, lobbying, and drafting legislation to change state and local laws to better protect victims and survivors of sexual trauma, to the extent permitted under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;
- Providing immediate safety planning, escape coordination, and threat-mitigation services, including but not limited to electronic tracking device detection and sweeps on vehicles, safe communication resources (such as funding secure PO Boxes and burner phones), and emergency transportation;
- Providing critical financial empowerment and guidance to assist trapped individuals in safely establishing independent financial identity and security in preparation for escape;
- Providing specialized, flexible assistance, emergency financial assistance grants, and relocation support, including temporary emergency housing, security deposits, relocation costs, and the purchase and installation of home security alarms and safety devices once relocated;

- Providing peer-led support circles, mentorship, and community healing spaces designed to foster resilience, long-term well-being, and personal growth;
- Accompanying survivors through legal and court processes, offering solidarity, and collaborating as a trusted community resource with local Victim/Witness Assistance programs, law enforcement agencies, and external professional therapeutic resources; and
- Making grants, providing charitable assistance, and carrying out other activities that further the foregoing charitable purposes.

The corporation may engage in any lawful activities that further its charitable and educational purposes and that are permitted for organizations exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE III MEMBERS

The corporation shall have no members.

ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS

The directors shall elect their successors.

ARTICLE V REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The name of the corporation's initial registered agent is Northwest Registered Agent LLC. The initial registered agent is a domestic or foreign limited liability company authorized to transact business in Virginia.

The address of the corporation's initial registered office, which is identical to the business office of the initial registered agent, is 8401 Mayland Dr Ste A, Henrico, VA, 23294-4648, USA. The registered office is located in the County of Henrico.

ARTICLE VI LIMITATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any director, officer, incorporator, private individual, or other private person, 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 its exempt purposes.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, except to the extent permitted by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The corporation shall not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on:

- A. By a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; or
- B. By a corporation to which contributions are deductible under Sections 170(c)(2), 2055(a)(2), or 2522(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE VII **DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed exclusively for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, a state government, or a local government for a public purpose.

Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the locality in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations that are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes and that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

INCORPORATOR

Signed by the Incorporator as of August 10, 2026:

Melvin Tull

Melvin Tull
Incorporator

**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION**

AT RICHMOND, AUGUST 12, 2026

The State Corporation Commission has found the accompanying articles of incorporation submitted on behalf of

The Steel Lotus Alliance

to comply with the requirements of law, and confirms payment of all required fees. Therefore, it is ORDERED that this

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

be issued and admitted to record with the articles of incorporation in the Office of the Clerk of the Commission, effective August 12, 2026.

The corporation is granted the authority conferred on it by law in accordance with the articles of incorporation, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by law.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

By

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Samuel T. Towell", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Samuel T. Towell
Commissioner