# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

# FULLBLOOD SIMMENTAL FLECKVIEH FEDERATION, INC.

#### A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned person, desiring to form a Not For Profit Corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Arkansas Nonprofit Corporation Act of 1993 (A.C.A. Sec. 4-33-101, et. seq.) does hereby sign the following articles and certify that:

1. Name of Corporation: FULLBLOOD SIMMENTAL FLECKVIEH FEDERATION, INC. This shall be a mutual benefit corporation.

### 2. Duration of Corporation: Perpetual

3. Members: The corporation will admit members pursuant to the terms established in the bylaws.

4. **Organizational Purposes**: The corporation shall serve the mutual benefits of its members and engage in any lawful activity.

Without limiting its purposes, the corporation shall not be for profit, but shall be for a professional, commercial, industrial or trade association within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code 501 C (6), interested in the development and the promotion of the Simmental breed of cattle worldwide. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not conduct activities not permitted by an organization exempt under Section 501 C (6) of the Internal Revenue Code, and its regulations now exist or as they may be amended in the future.

The corporation shall provide its assistance to its members, as well as to apprise other Fullblood Simmental breeders as to the objectives of the corporation. The corporation will cooperate with the American Simmental Association, Inc. and the Canadian Simmental Association, which organizations act as the registry associations for the breed.

5. Distribution of Assets upon Dissolution: Upon dissolution of the corporation, the board of directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such charitable, educational, religious, literary, or scientific purposes as shall at time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501 C(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, as the board of trustees shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the circuit court 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.

Preference at Dissolution: In the event of an election to dissolve the corporation, the assets thereof, in the process of dissolution, shall be donated to and transferred to the American Simmental Association, Inc., of Bozeman, Montana, or any successor to such association at its registered headquarters at the time of dissolution. If such association is not in existence at the time of dissolution, the assets will be transferred to another organization which would then qualify under the provisions of 501 C(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

# 6. Main Office and Registered Agent:

Mr. Kent Dollar 208 East 3rd Russellville, AR. 72801

#### 7. Board of Directors:

The initial board of directors shall consist of the following:

Ken Dimler Double Bar D Farms P.O. Box 818, Grenfells, SK SOG 2BO

Dany Gagnon Ferme Gagnon Farm 426 Route 315, Cheneville, Quebec JOV1EO

Greg Nolan Bar 5 Simmental Stock Farms, Ltd. 636077 Holland-Euphrasia Townline Markdale, Ontario NOC 1HO

Dale Murray D. Murray Farms, Ltd. P.O. Box 4 Decker, Manitoba ROM OKO

Sterling Shaw JJ Shaw Acres/Shaw Acres Ltd. Box 479 Cabri, Sask SON OJO Kevin Porter Porter Ranches, Ltd. Rural Route 1 Cabri, Sask TOE ONO

Ken Lewis Lewis Farms, Ltd. 27115A TWP Rd. Spruce Grove, Alberta T7 3M9

Stan Cichon Well's Crossing 115 Oakside Rd. S.W. Calgary, Alberta T2V 4H6

Jason Bruketa JB Livestock Box 62 Site 5 RR 8 Calgary, Alberta T2J 2T9

Dan Skeels Anchor D Ranch Box 1638 Rimbey, Alberta TOC 2J0

Vaughn Gibbons Gibbons Farms 1787 Stevensville Rd. Stevensville, Ontario LOS 1S0

Jason McClean Richard McSimmentals Box 420 Pilot Mound, Manitoba R0G 1P0

Kent Dollar Dollars Diamond D P.O. Box 3046 Russellville, AR. 72811

Dr. Mikell Davis Little Creek Farm 1103 Artesia Rd. Starkville, MS 39759 Greg Kemp Indian Creek Cattle Co. 7079 University Dr. Huntsville, AL 35806

Victor(Larry) Throgmorton T 5 Livestock Co. 3467 Hwy 11 East Wolfe City, TX 75496-9717

Steve Blair Blair Farms 3133 Mint Rd. Maryville, TN 37803

Murphy Clark Yankee Creek Ranch 1260 Yankee Creek Rd. Eagle Point, OR 97524

Dr. Billy S. Moore Moore Farms 6091 Moores Mill Rd. Huntsville, AL 35811

Allan Roberts Indian Valley Ranch 3165 SR 164 W Dover, AR. 72837

Harold D. and Nancy J. Wright Wright Family Simmentals 7442 Walnut Creek Rd. Kingston, OH 45644

Grady Perkins, II Perkins Farms Fleckvieh Simmentals P.O. Box 441194 Aurora, CO 80044

James T. and Donna Adams Ethridge Mitchell Lake Ranch RR 3, Box 639 Franklin, TX 77856-9425 Fred Schuetze Buzzard Hollow Ranch P.O. Box 958 Granbury, TX 76048

The members of the board of directors, at the organizational meeting, shall each draw lots for a staggered terms in office. Such various terms shall be divided into three term lots of: 2 years, 4 years and 6 years. At the expiration of each term in office, the vacant directorships shall be filled by a vote of the entire membership of the corporation. A director may be re-elected pursuant to and consistent with the bylaws and the Arkansas Nonprofit Corporation Act of 1993, as presently exists or as may be amended in the future.

Each member of the corporation shall be entitled to one (1) vote in the election of the board of directors. Members of the corporation may appoint a revocable proxy to vote or otherwise act for him or her by signing an appointment form, either personally or by his or her attorney-in-fact. An appointment shall be valid for eleven (11) months unless the member expressly provides for a longer term in the appointment form. The proxy or the revocation thereof shall be delivered to the officer or agent authorized to tabulate votes for the corporation.

8. Officers: The officers of the corporation shall consist of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary by the board of directors.

9. **Presiding Officer**: The initial presiding officer of the board of directors until the time of the organizational meeting is:

Mr. Kent Dollar 208 East 3rd Russellville, AR. 72801

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Kent Dollar, Presiding Officer of the board of directors of this Corporation, have hereunto set my hand on this the  $\underline{/2}$  day of April, 2004.

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#### VERIFICATION

# State of Arkansas County of Pope

Before me, the undersigned authority, did personally appear Kent Dollar, Presiding Officer of the Board of Directors who upon oath did depose and state that the above are Articles of Incorporation for FULLBLOOD SIMMENTAL FLECKVIEH FEDERATION, INC., and he executed the same for the purposes and consideration stated therein.

Signed on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2004,

Notary Public, State of Arkansas County of Pope My Commission Expires:

RENAE GARNER Notary Public POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS My Commission Expires 7-21-2010