## Constitution

**OF** 

## **Springfield Lions Club Foundation**

## A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned incorporator(s), in order to form a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Oregon, adopt the following Constitution:

ONE: The name of this corporation shall be: Springfield Lions Club Foundation

TWO: The principle place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

876 Leigh St., Eugene, OR 97401

THREE: This corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

And shall adhere to the following considerations:

- (1) At least a majority of its board of directors are Lions club members in good standing;
- (2) Amendments to its governing documents shall be approved by the general membership of the foundation at a district convention or regular annual meeting;
- (3) Membership consists of Lions clubs or club members in good standing;
- (4) Proxy voting is not permitted; and
- (5) Mandatory dues are not assessed against its member Lions clubs or club members.

The specific purposes for which this corporation is organized are:

- A. The purposes for which the Springfield Lions Club Foundation is organized are exclusively charitable and educational within the meaning of section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 2018 the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue law.
- B. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of Internal Revenue Code of 2018 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.
- C. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes with the meaning of section (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 a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principle office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, as said Court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Internal Revenue Code of 2018 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

- D. To solicit, collect and otherwise raise money to fund those aims and goals of the Springfield Lions Club Foundation which are exclusively charitable and within the meaning of section (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- E. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- F. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof.
- G. Generally to carry out at 4006 Franklin Blvd., Eugene, OR., the principles and teachings of the International Association of Lions Club, as service club organization with whom Springfield Lions Club Foundation is affiliated.

FOUR: The Oregon Springfield Lions Foundation is charted by, and under the jurisdiction of , the International Association of Lions Clubs of Oak Brook, Illinois and is governed by the Constitution and By-Laws of said Association.

FIVE: The manner in which the Directors are elected are as follows:

The Officers and Directors will be elected in the same manner as the Officers and Directors of the Lions of Springfield, Oregon and hold the same office as held in the Lions of Springfield, Oregon as per By-Laws Article V.

SIX: The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in section 65.077 General powers and 65.081 Emergency powers of Oregon Statutes, unless limited as follows:

No additional limits.

SEVEN: These Articles of Incorporation may be amended as follows:

A. At any regular or special meeting of the Corporation, at which a quorum is present, by affirmative vote two-thirds of the members present and voting, providing the Trustees have previously considered the merits of the amendments.

B. No amendment shall be put to a vote unless written notice thereof stating the proposed amendment shall have been given to each member, by mail or personal delivery, at least two weeks prior to the meeting at which the vote on the proposed amendment is to be taken.

EIGHT: The name and street address of the initial registered agent of this corporation Springfield Lions Club Foundation is: Judy Potter, 876 Leigh St., Eugene, OR 97401

NINE: The names and the street address of the 3 initial directors and 3 incorporators are:

The undersigned incorporators have executed the Articles of Incorporation this 1 day of October, 2019.

## Signatures of Original Incorporators (2019):

Henry Miller 235 17<sup>th</sup> St.

Springfield, OR 97477

Dale Bachman

858 Old Orchard Lane

Springfield, OR 97477

Judy Potter 876 Leigh St.,

Eugene, OR 97401

The undersigned 2023-2024 Board Of Directors have executed REVISED Constitution this 15TH day of JANUARY, 2024.

2023-2024 Board Of Directors: Revision Ratified

Henry Miller, Past President 2022-23 235 17<sup>th</sup> St.

Springfield, OR 97477

Darrell Scott President 2023-24 39684 Wendling Rd Marcola 97454 Judy Potter Secretary 2023-24 876 Leigh St., Eugene, OR 97401

Paul Pevehouse Treasurer 2023-24 760 A Street, #1307 Springfield, 97477

Dale Howard Member / 501(c)3 consultant 1064 Oak Meadows PL.
Springfield, OR 97477