ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF EAST COAST ASSISTANCE DOGS, INC. A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned incorporator(s), in order to form a non-profit corporation under the laws of the state of Connecticut, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ONE: The name of this corporation is EAST COAST ASSISTANCE DOGS, INC.

TWO: The name and address of the registered agent of this corporation are: Lucille A Picard 60 Simsbury Rd. West Granby, Ct 06090

THREE: The specific purposes for which this corporation is organized are To specially train dogs to enhance the mobility and/or emotion of disable individuals. These dogs can be classified as: Ser\lice Dogs, Hearing Dogs, Specialty Dogs, and/or Social Therapy Dogs.

This corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(cX3) 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.

FOUR: The number of initial directors of this corporation is ~ Their names and address are as follows:

Lori Edgar 19 Spring Glen Rd Granby, Ct 06035 Tina-Marie Albee 62 Creamery Hill Granby, Ct 06035 Robert Andrews 15 Hartford Ave Granby, Ct 06035 Lucille A. Picard 60 Simsbury Rd, West Granby, Ct 06090 Dale Picard 60 Simsbury Rd, West Granby, Ct 06090

FIVE: The name(s) and address(es) of the incorporator(s) of this corporation is (are): Lucille A Picard 60 Simsbury Rd West Granby, Ct 06090 SIX: The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual.

SEVEN: Any additional provisions for the operation of the corporation are as fonows:

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed 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, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code), and this corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that this corporation 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 these Articles.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or (2) by a coq>oration contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The undersigned incorporators hereby declare under penalty of perjure that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.

Dated: <u>10/10/96</u>

<u>Lu Picard</u>

Lucille A. Picard, Incorporator