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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
CA NONPROFIT CORPORATION
PUBLIC BENEFIT

California Secretary of State
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Sacramento, California 95814
(916) 653-3516

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| Corporation Name | International Ranger Federation (IRF) |
| Initial Street Address of Principal Office of Corporation | 218 MULBERRY LANE AUBURN, CA 95603 |
| Initial Mailing Address of Corporation | 218 MULBERRY LANE AUBURN, CA 95603 |
| Attention | Mike Lynch |
| Agent for Service of Process | Michael G Lynch 218 MULBERRY LANE AUBURN, CA 95603 |
| Purpose Statement | This corporation is a Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for: Public and Charitable purposes |
| Additional Statements | <p>The specific purpose of this corporation is to to develop, advance, and promote throughout the world community, the ranger profession and its critical role in the conservation of natural and cultural resources..</p> <p>This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for the purposes set forth within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).</p> <p>No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and this corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.</p> <p>The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to the purposes set forth herein and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person.</p> <p>Upon the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational and/or religious purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).</p> <p>Notwithstanding any of the above statements of purpose and powers, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the specific purpose of this corporation.</p> |
| Additional information and signatures set forth on attached pages, if any, are incorporated herein by reference and made part of these Articles of Incorporation. | |
| Electronic Signature | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I declare that I am the person who executed this instrument, which execution is my act and deed. |
| M.G. Lynch | 06/05/2023 |



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STATEMENT OF INFORMATION
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| Entity Details | | | | | | | |
| Corporation Name | | International Ranger Federation (IRF) | | | | | |
| Entity No. | | 5754182 | | | | | |
| Formed In | | CALIFORNIA | | | | | |
| Street Address of California Principal Office of Corporation | | | | | | | |
| Street Address of California Office | | 218 MULBERRY LANE AUBURN, CA 95603 | | | | | |
| Mailing Address of Corporation | | | | | | | |
| Mailing Address | | P.O. BOX 3212 BOWMAN, CA 95604-3212 | | | | | |
| Attention | | Michael Lynch | | | | | |
| Officers | | | | | | | |
| Officer Name | | Officer Address | | Position(s) | | | |
| + Michael G Lynch | | 218 MULBERRY LANE AUBURN, CA 95603 | | Chief Financial Officer | | | |
| + Christopher Galliers | | South Africa [REDACTED] WAZULU-NATAL 3200 | | Chief Executive Officer | | | |
| + Andrew Davies | | Australia [REDACTED] VICTORIA 3953 | | Secretary | | | |
| Additional Officers | | | | | | | |
| Officer Name | | Officer Address | | Position | | Stated Position | |
| None Entered | | | | | | | |
| Agent for Service of Process | | | | | | | |
| Agent Name | | Michael G Lynch | | | | | |
| Agent Address | | 218 MULBERRY LANE AUBURN, CA 95603 | | | | | |
| Email Notifications | | | | | | | |
| Opt-in Email Notifications | | Yes, I opt-in to receive entity notifications via email. | | | | | |
| Electronic Signature | | | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By signing, I affirm that the information herein is true and correct and that I am authorized by California law to sign. | | | | | | | |
| M. G. Lynch | | 06/10/2023 | | | | | |
| Signature | | Date | | | | | |



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
CINCINNATI OH 45999-0023

Date of this notice: 06-15-2023

Employer Identification Number:
93-1900925

Form: SS-4

Number of this notice: CP 575 E

For assistance you may call us at:
1-800-829-4933

INTERNATIONAL RANGER FEDERATION
% MICHAEL LYNCH - TREASURER
PO BOX 3212
BOWMAN, CA 95604

IF YOU WRITE, ATTACH THE
STUB AT THE END OF THIS NOTICE.

WE ASSIGNED YOU AN EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Thank you for applying for an Employer Identification Number (EIN). We assigned you EIN 93-1900925. This EIN will identify your entity, accounts, tax returns, tax returns, and documents, even if you have no employees. Please keep this notice in your permanent records.

Taxpayers request an EIN for business and tax purposes. Some taxpayers receive CP575 notices when another person has stolen their identity and are operating using their information. If you did **not** apply for this EIN, please contact us at the phone number or address listed on the top of this notice.

When filing tax documents, making payments, or replying to any related correspondence, it is very important that you use your EIN and complete name and address exactly as shown above. Any variation may cause a delay in processing, result in incorrect information in your account, or even cause you to be assigned more than one EIN. If the information is not correct as shown above, please make the correction using the attached tear-off stub and return it to us.

When you submitted your application for an EIN, you checked the box indicating you are a non-profit organization. Assigning an EIN does not grant tax-exempt status to non-profit organizations. Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your organization, has details on the application process, as well as information on returns you may need to file. To apply for recognition of tax-exempt status, organizations must complete an application on one of the following forms: Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; Form 1023-EZ, Streamlined Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; Form 1024, Application for Recognition Under Section 501(a); or Form 1024-A, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Nearly all organizations claiming tax-exempt status must file a Form 990-series annual information return (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) or notice (Form 990-N) beginning with the year they legally form, even if they have not yet applied for or received recognition of tax-exempt status.

If you become tax-exempt, you will lose tax-exempt status if you fail to file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, unless a filing exception applies to you (search www.irs.gov for Annual Exempt Organization Return: Who Must File). We start calculating this three-year period from the tax year we assigned the EIN to you. If that first tax year isn't a full twelve months, you're still responsible for submitting a return for that year. If you didn't legally form in the same tax year in which you obtained your EIN, contact us at the phone number or address listed at the top of this letter. For the most current information on your filing requirements and other important information, visit www.irs.gov/charities.



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

INTERNATIONAL RANGER FEDERATION
218 MULBERRY LANE
AUBURN, CA 95603

Date: 06/23/2023
Employer ID number: 93-1900925
Person to contact: Name: Customer Service
ID number: 31954
Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending: December 31
Form 990-PF required: Yes
Effective date of exemption: June 5, 2023
Addendum applies: No
DLN: 26053571003203

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a).

You're required to file Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation, annually, whether or not you have income or activity during the year. If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PF" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PF, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Private Foundations, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements



1300 I Street
P.O. Box 903447
Sacramento, CA 94203-4470
Registration@doj.ca.gov

August 16, 2023

INTERNATIONAL RANGER FEDERATION (IRF) **State Charity Registration Number: CT0287947**
PO BOX 3212
AUBURN CA 95604
Registration Code: 95018170
Needed for online filing – see below

CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION

The above captioned entity has been assigned **State Charity Registration Number: CT0287947**. Please include it with any correspondence sent to the Registry. **While this office has received the CT-1 Form, the entity has not yet submitted all of the information required by California Code of Regulations, title 11, section 300, subdivision (b) to complete the registration process. Please submit the following, together with a copy of this letter:**

- 1. The date, month and year the entity first received assets in/from California (funds, property, etc.).**

Please note that the Annual Registration Renewal Fee Report (Form RRF-1) must be filed annually four months and 15 days after the end of the organization's accounting period. The Registry will honor all IRS extensions for annual renewal filing deadlines, including the filing of the Forms RRF-1, CT-TR-1, and IRS Forms 990, 990-PF and 990-EZ. After filing with the IRS, please file Form RRF-1 with the completed IRS informational return together with a copy of all extension requests.

Online filing for organizations current in their annual reporting is available. Your **Registration Code** (95018170) is needed along with your **State Charity Registration Number** [REDACTED] to establish and update login credentials (User ID and Password). The link to the Online Renewal System may be found [REDACTED] **wals**.

Your organization is responsible for notifying the Registry in writing of any change of address. Changes of address may also be submitted through the Online Renewal System as part of annual reporting or separately.

If your organization contracts with a commercial fundraiser for charitable purposes or fundraising counsel, those entities must also register and file annual reports with the Registry.

Directors of nonprofit corporations are required to adhere to the provisions of the California Nonprofit Corporation Law (Corporations Code section 5000, et seq.).

Trustees for charitable purposes are required to adhere to the provisions of California Probate Code (commencing with section 15000).

Please respond within thirty (30) days from the date of this letter.

Please visit **oag.ca.gov/charities** at least annually for the latest forms, instructions, guides, answers to frequently asked questions, and Registry contacts.

CT-470 Confirmation of Registration

ROB BONTA
Attorney General

State of California
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



Sincerely,

Registry of Charitable Trusts

For

ROB BONTA
Attorney General



International Ranger Federation (IRF)

M. G. "Mike" Lynch, International Treasurer

P.O. Box 3212, Auburn, CA 95604-3212, USA
IRF.treasurer.mike.lynch@gmail.com • 1+530-613-4732

To: California Attorney General
Department of Justice
Registry of Charitable Trusts
P.O. Box 903447
Sacramento, CA 94203-4470

Date: August 18, 2023

From: International Ranger Federation (IRF)
California State Charity Registration Number: CT0287947

Subject: Date first received assets in California.

This is to notify you that the International Ranger Federation (IRF) first received assets (funds) in California on June 20, 2023.

Submitted,

M. G. "Mike" Lynch, Treasurer
IRF.treasurer.mike.lynch@gmail.com



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FRANCHISE TAX BOARD
PO Box 1286
Rancho Cordova CA 95741-1286

INTERNATIONAL RANGER FEDERATION (IRF)
ATTN: MICHAEL LYNCH
218 MULBERRY LN
AUBURN CA 95603-3627

Date: 01.23.2024
Case: 39150843215107970
Case Unit: 39150843215107973
In reply refer to: 760:NCL:F120

| Regarding: | Tax-Exempt Status |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Organization's Name: | INTERNATIONAL RANGER FEDERATION (IRF) |
| CCN: | 5754182 |
| Purpose: | Charitable |
| R&TC Section: | 23701d |
| Form of Organization: | Incorporated |
| Accounting Period Ending: | 12/31 |
| Tax-Exempt Status Effective: | 06/05/2023 |

Exempt Acknowledgement Letter

We have received your federal determination letter and Form 3500A, *Submission of Exemption Request*, and have approved your request for California Tax-exempt status.

We have determined that your organization is a private foundation.

Under California law, Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Section 23701 provides that an organization is exempt from taxes imposed under Part 11 upon submission of the federal determination letter approving the organization's tax-exempt status.

Generally, the effective date of an organization's California tax-exempt status is the same date as the federal tax-exempt status.

To retain tax-exempt status, the organization must be organized and operating for nonprofit purposes within the provisions of the above R&TC section. An inactive organization is not entitled to tax-exempt status.

In order for us to determine any effect on the tax-exempt status, the organization must immediately report to us any change in:

- Operation
- Character
- Purpose
- Name
- Address

For filing requirements, refer to FTB Pub.1068, *Exempt Organizations - Filing Requirements and Filing Fees*. Go to **ftb.ca.gov** and search for **1068**.

All California public benefit corporations must register with the California Attorney General's Office Registry of Charitable Trusts within 30 days of first receiving any assets.

The Attorney General regulates charities and the professional fundraisers who solicit on their behalf. The purpose of this oversight is to protect charitable assets for their intended use and ensure that the charitable donations contributed by Californians are not misapplied and squandered through fraud or other means.

Please refer to **oag.ca.gov/Charities** for further information on registration requirements and contact information. Also see the publication Attorney General's Guide for Charities.

This exemption is for state franchise or income tax purposes only. For information regarding sales tax exemption, contact the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration at 800.400.7115 or go to their website at **cdtfa.ca.gov**.

Exempt Organizations Unit
Telephone: 916.845.4171
Fax: 916.855.8090