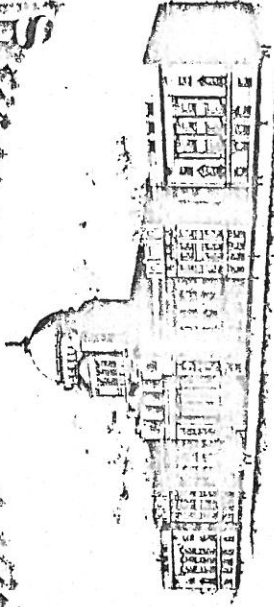


Montana's Wildlife Federation



SEVENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER

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MONTANA WILDLIFE FEDERATION

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 42 of the Civil Code of Montana of 1935, as amended, has caused to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Montana, its Articles of Incorporation on the **twenty-seventh day of November, A. D. 1951.**

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam W. Mitchell, Secretary of State of the State of Montana, do hereby certify that the Articles of Incorporation of

MONTANA WILDLIFE FEDERATION

containing the required statement of facts prescribed by said Code, as amended, having been filed in this office, such Association is a body corporate and politic and is authorized to do business in the State of Montana.

WITNESS my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Montana hereunto affixed this **twenty-seventh day of November, A. D. 1951.**

Great Seal

Sam W. Mitchell  
Secretary of State

By

Deputy

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
MONTANA WILDLIFE FEDERATION

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, the undersigned, citizens of the United States of America, each of lawful age, have this day, pursuant to the authority in us vested by enabling resolution of "Montana Wildlife Federation", an unincorporated, voluntary association heretofore and now existing, adopted and subscribed the following Articles of Incorporation, for the purpose of incorporating "Montana Wildlife Federation", as a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Montana, and particularly Chapter 14/ of Volume 2 of the Revised Codes of Montana, 1947, and other applicable laws of the State of Montana, for the purposes hereinafter stated.

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this corporation shall be "Montana Wildlife Federation."

ARTICLE II

Purposes for Which Formed

Believing that the wildlife resources of the State of Montana are valuable, social, recreational and esthetic assets which should be restored, perpetuated and conserved for this and future generations, and realizing this can be achieved only through an aroused and enlightened opinion among the people of the state, we dedicate this federation to these ends, and set forth the following purposes and objects of this corporation:

1. To promote and foster a general and continued movement for the conservation, restoration, protection and scientific supervision by the State of Montana of all game, fish, fowl and other wild life in its natural habitat in the State of Montana, insofar as the

same may be permitted by the laws of the State of Montana;

2. To serve as a statewide organization of sportsmen and those interested in wild life, through which information pertaining to the natural resources of the State of Montana, and the wild life thereof, may be gathered and distributed to the affiliated groups of this corporation, and to the general public.

3. In the performance of any of the foregoing purposes and objects, this corporation shall be non-political and non-sectarian.

#### ARTICLE III

##### NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

This corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof, and pecuniary profit to members is not, and shall not be, the object, or any object of this corporation, in the exercise of its powers or accomplishment of its objects or purposes.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### Powers

In addition to all other powers which this corporation has or may acquire by the act of incorporation, or by operation of law, this corporation shall have and possess the following powers:

1. To sue and be sued.
2. To contract and be contracted with.
3. To receive property by devise or bequest, subject to the laws regulating the transfer of property by will, and to otherwise acquire and hold all property, real or personal, including shares of stock, bonds and securities of other corporations.
4. To act as trustee under any trust incidental to the principal objects of the corporation, and to receive, hold, administer, and expend funds and property subject to such trust.
5. To convey, exchange, lease, mortgage, encumber, transfer upon trust or otherwise dispose of all property, real or personal.
6. To borrow money, contract debts, and issue bonds, notes and debentures, and secure the same.
7. To do all other acts necessary or expedient for the administration of the affairs and attainment

of the purposes of the corporation.

8. To have and use a corporate seal.

#### ARTICLE V

##### Perpetual Existence

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### Principal Place of Business

The complete mailing address, including the city and county in this state, where the principal office for the transaction of the business of this corporation is located is as follows:

Montana Wildlife Federation  
c/o R. J. Watson  
Postoffice Box 1174  
Helena, Lewis and Clark County, Montana

#### ARTICLE VII

##### Directors

The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of directors, until the selection of their successors, are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
R. J. Watson	E. C. Box 1174, Helena, Montana
Walter Staves	Polson, Montana
John Horn	Libby, Montana
Earl Malone	Hamilton, Montana
John Antonich	Anaconda, Montana
Scott Pfohl	Livingston, Montana
George Perry	Livingston, Montana
E. M. Berthelson	Conrad, Montana
Jack Minstra	Choteau, Montana
Emil Rudman	Cut Bank, Montana
H. H. Ames	Scobey, Montana
Eric Antenson	Plentywood, Montana
V. G. Thomas	Wolf Point, Montana
W. J. Murphy	Forsyth, Montana
J. P. Watts	Roundup, Montana
Stan Ware	628 Burlington Ave., Billings, Montana

AFFIDAVIT

By President and Secretary of Montana Wildlife Federation, a Voluntary, Unincorporated Organization, Incorporating as "Montana Wildlife Federation."

STATE OF MONTANA )  
County of Lewis & Clark )

SS.

R. J. Watson, President AND T. M. Messelt, Secretary,

being severally sworn, on oath depose and say:

That R. J. Watson is the duly and regularly elected, qualified and acting President of Montana Wildlife Federation, a voluntary, unincorporated organization, heretofore and now existing in the State of Montana, and that T. M. Messelt is the duly and regularly elected, qualified and acting Secretary of said Montana Wildlife Federation, a voluntary, unincorporated organization, and said President and Secretary, respectively, make this affidavit pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 14/ of Volume 2 of the Revised Codes of Montana, 1947, for the purpose of accomplishing the incorporation of Montana Wildlife Federation, the said unincorporated organization, as a non-profit corporation under the said laws of the State of Montana.

That Montana Wildlife Federation, a voluntary, unincorporated organization, has authorized its formal incorporation under the laws above referred to, and the said \_\_\_\_\_

R. J. Watson has subscribed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, as President, and the said T. M. Messelt, has subscribed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation as Secretary, respectively, of Montana Wildlife Federation, unincorporated, by authority of such association, as evidenced

by a certified copy of the enabling resolution hereto attached, and by this reference made a part of this affidavit.

R. J. Watson President

W. A. A. Walsh Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th  
day of November, 1951.

Clara Louise Tolson  
Notary Public for the State of  
Montana. Residing at Helena, Montana  
My Commission expires November 9, 1953

(SEAL)

CERTIFIED COPY OF ENABLING RESOLUTION OF "MONTANA  
WILDLIFE FEDERATION" AUTHORIZING INCORPORATION AS  
A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

WHEREAS, Montana Wildlife Federation was founded by the voluntary union and association of citizens and residents of Montana in the year 1932, and since that time has functioned as a voluntary, unincorporated association, and it is now deemed advisable by the membership of the Association, lawfully assembled, to cause the association to become incorporated, in order to secure its name, and to possess the powers and enjoy the benefits resulting from incorporation under the laws of Montana for incorporation of non-profit companies, hereinafter referred to:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Montana Wildlife Federation, a voluntary, unincorporated organization, hereby elects and determines to become incorporated under the provisions of Chapter 14/ of Volume 2 of the Revised Codes of Montana, §47, as a non-profit corporation, pecuniary profit to its members or itself not being the object or any one of the objects of said incorporation, and to that end and for such purpose said association hereby instructs and directs its President and Secretary to prepare, subscribe and completely execute the Articles of Incorporation of Montana Wildlife Federation, hereto attached, and make proper affidavit thereto, and cause the same to be filed in the offices designated by law for the filing thereof, and do all things necessary and proper to accomplish the incorporation of Montana Wildlife Federation, as a non-profit corporation, under and pursuant to the said laws of the State of Montana, and the issuance and delivery of certificate of incorporation as prescribed by law.

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF MONTANA )  
County of Lewis & Clark ) SS.

I, F. M. Messelt, Secretary of Montana Wildlife Federation, a voluntary, unincorporated association, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of the resolution adopted by the members of Montana Wildlife Federation, an unincorporated association, at a meeting of the membership held in Cut Bank, Montana, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1951.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 26<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1951, and concurrently I attach this certified copy of said resolution to said Articles of Incorporation of Montana Wildlife Federation.

DONE AND DATED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1951.

F. M. Messelt  
Secretary

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Articles of Incorporation  
Montana Wildlife Federation

STATE OF MONTANA  
DEPARTMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE  
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Nov. 27, 1951

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*Edward W. Mitchell*

SECRETARY OF STATE

BY *Harry B. Quinlan*

CLERK

Nov 20 1951

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