



# SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

**SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC.** has been established to uphold our Patriotic beliefs, to be continuously current to the laws affecting biker's rights and to stay a course on any changes and challenges to any old and new laws affecting all motor cycle rights.

## **CONSTITUTION**

**SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC.** (MRO) was formed to protect all motorcyclists' rights against any unfair act of legislation, laws or safety issues on a National, State or Local levels. We will prevail by using common sense, strategy, wholesale legislative challenges, with power by numbers, in all aspects of any and all issues that attack motorcyclists' rights in any way.

**SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC (MRO)** exists for the purpose: To challenge any and all current or new legislation, laws or safety issues affecting motorcyclist using common sense in all aspects of ourselves, of Suncoast Brotherhood or any other motorcycle groups, or Rights organizations.

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## **OUR COMMITMENT**

We are Bikers, we are Brothers and Sisters.  
We will use common sense at all times.  
We will always do the right thing.  
We must be positive, no matter the problem.  
We will definitely limit negativity, no matter the problem.  
We will all get together to just do it, anything to get it done, as it relates to the mission of Suncoast Brotherhood.  
We will always be current on all aspects of legislation that affects bikers Rights, for knowledge is power, information and understanding gives us knowledge and numbers give us power.  
We will promote motorcycle safety through education.  
We will protect all personal rights of all motorcyclists.  
We will improve the image of motorcyclists to the public.  
We will provide assistance to motorcyclists in every reasonable respect.

That the purposes of the Brotherhood and the members thereof, include acting in all aspects as a Motorcycle Rights Organization.

**Our Mission, Constitution, and Commitment are written for "SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC." of the State of Florida.** In the future, shall there be additional Chapters to follow, they may abide by our purpose and cause. **THEY MAY NOT** Amend, change or re-develop these in any way. If, at any point in time, should there be more than one Chapter, they may, with combined Officers, meet on a quarterly basis, that being January, April, July and October. Any new Chapter may be approved by the existing Chapters, and upon being approved to be a new Chapter and approving their County's name sake By-Laws, may exist with a one year trial period, starting with a minimum of 15 members. There will be a Twenty Dollar (\$20.00) Chapter fee paid to the State of Florida, Pinellas County, Charter Chapter. Should there ever become five (5) Chapters of Suncoast Brotherhood, there will come into existence "State By-Laws" formed with all five (5) Chapter Boards. Any and all Chapters may, to the best of their ability, have their regular monthly meetings at an American Legion, VFW, Am Vets or a Veterans Service Organization so "**THEY**" may prosper and benefit from our members and events.

#### **ARTICLE I - NAME, OFFICERS AND GENERAL MEMBERS**

- A)** The name of the Corporation will be the **SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD, MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC.**  
The Corporation may also be known as a "Bikers Rights Group" and will have a perpetual existence. For the purpose of these Articles, the term "his" includes the female gender.
- B)** THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS SHALL BE PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER AND SERGEANT AT ARMS AND WILL BE ELECTED AND VOTED IN BY THE MEMBERSHIP.  
ANY TRUSTEES WILL BE APPOINTED BY THE CHAPTER OFFICERS AND APPROVED BY THE MEMBERSHIP.
- C)** ALL CHAPTER OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES WILL BE KNOWN AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
- D)** Every Office of the Suncoast Brotherhood will be on a voluntary basis and without monetary supplement.
- E)** All related topics brought to the board will have a motion, a discussion and a vote that will be beneficial to SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD, in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.
- F)** Upon signing the application and paying the initial \$25.00 application fee, the member acknowledges and agrees to follow, to the best of his ability, the Mission, the Constitution and the Commitments of Suncoast Brotherhood.
- G.** Yearly dues/fees may be optional in each and every Chapter.

## ARTICLE II-BUSINESS AND OFFICE

- A) Any and all Chapters will have a permanent address for all correspondence and the Treasurer and Secretary may maintain the said address.
- B) Any future Chapters will acquire, for themselves, a Tax ID number as long as it meets State and Federal requirements for their own purposes and they should prepare and file their own State and/or Federal Income Tax Returns.
- C) Each and every Chapter shall create their own Web Site representing their Suncoast Brotherhood Chapter, with the County and State represented.

## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

- A) Qualifications for Membership and their manner of admission shall be 18 years of age or older. Membership will be for individuals only.
- B) Active members may be anyone registered and listed on the current Membership rolls and/or any new members of SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC.
- C) Upon developing any new Chapters of Suncoast Brotherhood, with their County name sake, any individuals' membership can be transferable among any Chapters within the State. Any member may submit a written request to his home Chapter to transfer his membership. This request will be dated and signed by an Officer, along with his entry date into Suncoast Brotherhood. The request will go into effect 30 days from the date of the request. Only one (1) transfer per year may be permitted.
- D) A member may only vote or hold office in his home Chapter, providing membership dues are current, when applicable. However, he can attend any counties membership meetings at any time with verbal participation, only when recognized, as not to be disrupting.
- E) All members are encouraged to seek additional new members and are asked to participate in ALL Brotherhood functions, including organizing and/or joining event committees.
- F) Suncoast Brotherhood will have a Patch/Logo for sale, to be worn on his jacket, vests, jean jackets etc. The large or small one on his back shall have NO rocker UNDER the Patch/Logo, as to not violate, intimidate or compromise any other Organizations. ONLY members may be allowed to wear the official patch.
- G) When applicable, Officers of the Brotherhood may wear a patch denoting their position within the organization, on the top, front, right side of his vest or jacket along with a Suncoast Brotherhood ID denoting his County/home Chapter of membership.
- H) After stepping down or in a contested election, he ceases to be an Officer and being proud to have been an Officer, may continue to wear the designated patch, with the years of office, placed on the left side of his apparel, on the front lower portion or on his back and worn in a proper manner.
- I) Any upside down patches are absolutely unacceptable.

#### ARTICLE IV-SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD FUNCTIONS/EVENTS

- A) There shall be a minimum of two functions/events annually, to Benefit Suncoast Brotherhood that will enable them to provide for their local Charity.
- B) The Charity will be that of their Counties Foster and Adoptive Parents Assoc.
- C) On any approved ride, there may be appointed a Road Captain, who may assist and direct the members on the motorcycle runs, to conduct the run with the safety of all persons involved in the run and informing them of the exact route or plan, as THE primary goal of the Brotherhood.
- D) All Brotherhood members who work at any function or event may wear on their clothing the official patch or logo of the SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC. so that any and all observers cannot mistake the member's association with the Suncoast Brotherhood.
- E) Non-members may "NOT" handle any of the monies collected at tables, 50/50, raffles or any other function requiring monetary donations, to benefit Suncoast Brotherhood.
- F) Any future Chapters may not have a meeting or an event on the same day/weekend of any other Chapter of Suncoast Brotherhood, unless they are over sixty (60) miles apart from one another.
- G) There may be a means of communication to the members, by way of the internet, E-mail letters or a social network to notify the members of any upcoming events or notifications regarding families, accidents, hospitalizations or any news worthy topic, to keep everyone possible, in the loop.

#### ARTICLE V-AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES

- A) The Mission Statement, the Constitution and Our Commitments "**MAY NOT**" be Amended at any time or in any way and they shall be perpetual.
- B) These **Articles** may be amended, by "**ADDING**" to them, but "**NOT**" eliminating any words, verbiage, or phrases in any way. C) Amendments are limited to any one topic to benefit Suncoast Brotherhood or as needed to conduct business and may be reviewed with each and every Chapter for discussion at the quarterly meetings for approval or disapproval.
- D) Any proposed amendment shall be submitted, in writing, at the regular quarterly Chapter Board meeting prior to the next monthly regular membership meeting. Upon being presented to the Board of Directors of all combined Chapters, and upon a majority of the Board of Directors approving the amendment, the amendment may then be presented to all County Chapters general membership meetings at the next two (2) consecutive monthly meeting.
- E) A combined two-third (2/3) vote of the general membership in attendance, at every Chapter, shall be required to approve or disapprove any amendments to these Articles. Upon the general membership's vote for two (2) consecutive monthly meetings shall be

binding upon all members. The said amendment may then be ratified or not ratified at the next quarterly Executive Board meeting.

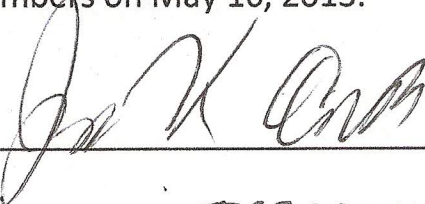
#### **ARTICLE VI-NEW SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD CHAPTERS**

- A)** Any future Chapters may have their own membership and Officers By-Laws as long as they do not violate these Articles, either in content, intent, or spirit. Future Chapter By-Laws shall be on file with each Chapter of SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC.
- B)** The Corporation mailing list may NOT be given out, mailed or sold to any other group or Corporation for personal or business use by anyone in SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC. (past or present).
- C)** No Chapter or future Chapters may host or sponsor any event or function that does not maintain 100% of its income to benefit SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, INC.
- D)** The fiscal year, begins on the first day of June of any year. The nominations may take place starting in April and May and elections will be held in June by the Board of Elections, being the Secretary, Sergeant At Arms and/or Membership Teller, unless in a contested election, by which the President shall appoint a representative. A Notary Public or any past President may do the "Swearing In" of the new Board of Directors.
- E)** Applications for new memberships will be, anyone can join during the nominations and election months of April, May and June, however, they will not have the privilege to vote or hold any Office of SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD until the seating of the new officers at the June meeting and until the following election year.
- F)** Any transfer of membership during these months shall have their dues/fees paid up, if any, for the current year. After the 30 day transfer waiting period and after one year membership, the said member may be eligible to vote in his new home Chapter.

**WE ARE A BUSINESS, A CORPORATION AN M.R.O. AND OUR MEMBERS ARE "THE ORGANIZATION". IT IS NOT ABOUT US, IT IS ABOUT YOU, OUR MEMBERS, IN EVERY WAY, AND WE STAND BEHIND YOU!**

OUR MISSION, CONSTITUTION, COMMITTEMENTS AND ARTICLES WERE ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE SUNCOAST BROTHERHOOD CORPORATION, EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON MAY 16, 2013 (05/16/2013) WILL BE BINDING AND SUPERSEDE ANY AND ALL OTHERS.

Suncoast Brotherhood Motorcycle Rights Group - Mission, Constitution and Articles  
Adopted and Approved by the following Suncoast Brotherhood Executive Joint Board  
Members on May 16, 2013.

  
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Name/Position JEFF CARPINSKI  
PRESIDENT

  
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Name/Position William M Columbus  
President

  
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Name/Position SUZANNE KOVACK  
SECRETARY

  
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Name/Position JEANETTE BLANCHARD  
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Name/Position Judy Beasey  
Treasurer

  
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Name/Position Sonya Charlebois Treasurer  
PASCO Co.

  
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Name/Position Rob weaver  
Sgt of Arms.

  
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Witness John J. Quinn

  
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Witness CHARLES G. WILLIS