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ART THERAPY ASSOCIATION OF VERMONT BYLAWS

ARTICLE I: NAME, PURPOSE, AND GEOGRAPHIC JURISDICTION

Section 1: The name of this Chapter shall be the Art Therapy Association of Vermont (ATAV). It is a nonprofit entity organized under the laws of the State of Vermont and an affiliate Chapter of the American Art Therapy Association, Inc. (AATA).

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Section 2: The purpose of this Chapter shall be: to support and work in conjunction with AATA toward the provision of educational opportunities within the field of Art Therapy for members of the general public as well as Art Therapy professionals; the promotion of public awareness of the field of Art Therapy, the progressive development of the therapeutic use of art; the advancement of research and standards of clinical practice; the maintenance of criteria for training future art therapists in diagnostic and therapeutic techniques; the provision of appropriate vehicles for the exchange of information with colleagues and the general public; the coordination of the therapeutic use of art in institutional or private practice settings; and the awarding of scholarships. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, this entity is organized ~~exclusively~~ for such purposes as are authorized and permitted by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), and shall not carry on any activities which are not permitted to be carried on by an entity exempt from taxation under said Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Section 3: The objective of this Chapter shall be: To promote positive development of those engaged in Art Therapy by means of meetings and seminars; to provide a professional support system for the profession and its practitioners; and to encourage the development of professional training opportunities in Art Therapy and inform people about the field of Art Therapy.

Section 4: The geographic jurisdiction of this Chapter includes the state of Vermont, including all people who live and/or work in the state.