

**"FEE REQUIRED" PUBLIC RECORDS FILING FOR NEW BUSINESS ENTITY**

Fill out all information below INCLUDING INFORMATION FOR ITEM 11, and sign in the space provided. Please note that once filed, this form constitutes your original certificate of incorporation/formation/registration/authority, and the information contained in the filed form is considered public. Refer to the instructions for delivery/return options, filing fees and field-by-field requirements. Remember to remit the appropriate fee amount. Use attachments if more space is required for any field, or if you wish to add articles for the public record.

1. Business Name: Adopt-A-Soldier Platoon, Inc.
2. Type of Business Entity: N.P.  
(See Instructions for Codes, Page 21, Item 2)
3. Business Purpose: Refer to Attachment (1)  
(See Instructions, Page 22, Item 3) Attachment
4. Stock (Domestic Corporations only; LLCs and Non-Profit leave blank):
5. Duration (If Indefinite or Perpetual, leave blank):

6. State of Formation/Incorporation (Foreign Entities Only):
7. Date of Formation/Incorporation (Foreign Entities Only):

MAY 29 2007  
STATE TREASURER

8. Contact Information:  
Registered Agent Name: Alan I. Kautchkoff

Registered Office:  
(Must be a New Jersey street address)  
Street 2-19 Lyncrest Avenue  
City Fair Lawn, NJ Zip 07410

Main Business or Principal Business Address:  
Street 2-19 Lyncrest Avenue  
City Fair Lawn State NJ Zip 07410

9. Management (Domestic Corporations and Limited Partnerships Only)
- For-Profit and Professional Corporations list initial Board of Directors, minimum of 1;
  - Domestic Non-Profits list Board of Trustees, minimum of 3;
  - Limited Partnerships list all General Partners.

Name	Street Address	City	State	Zip
<u>Refer to Article 5 of Article of Incorporation (attached) NO</u>				
<u>Refer to attachment (11-9)</u>				

The signatures below certify that the business entity has complied with all applicable filing requirements pursuant to the laws of the State of New Jersey.

10. Incorporators (Domestic Corporations Only, minimum of 1)

Name	Street Address	City	State	Zip
<u>Alan I. Kautchkoff</u>	<u>2-19 Lyncrest Avenue</u>	<u>Fair Lawn</u>	<u>NJ</u>	<u>07410</u>
<u>Holmes P. Brady</u>	<u>2200 North Central Road, Apt. 11V</u>	<u>Fort Lee</u>	<u>NJ</u>	<u>07024</u>
<u>Lana Marie Cutro (aka Lana Spina)</u>	<u>16 Woodland Road</u>	<u>Cresskill</u>	<u>NJ</u>	<u>07626</u>
<u>H. Allan Virginia</u>	<u>675 Cooper Avenue</u>	<u>Oradell</u>	<u>NJ</u>	<u>07649</u>

Signature(s) for the Public Record (See Instructions for Information on Signature Requirements)

Signature	Name	Title	Date
	<u>Alan I. Kautchkoff</u>	<u>Trustee</u>	<u>4-20-07</u>
	<u>Holmes P. Brady</u>	<u>Trustee</u>	<u>4-20-07</u>
	<u>Lana Marie Cutro</u>	<u>Trustee</u>	<u>4-23-07</u>
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II. Additional Entity - Specific Information

A. Domestic Non-Profit Corporations (Title 15A) - For IRS exemption considerations, see instructions.

1a. The corporation shall have members:  Yes  No

If yes, qualification shall be:

As set forth in the by-laws or  As set forth herein

~~Refer to Attachment # 11.A.3~~

1b. The rights and limitations of the different classes of members shall be:

As set forth in the by-laws or  As set forth herein.

N/A

2. The method of electing the trustees shall be:

As set forth in the by-laws or  As set forth herein:

3. The method of distribution of assets shall be:

As set forth in the by-laws or  As set forth herein:

Refer to Attachment (# 11.A.3)

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B. Foreign Corporations - Profit, Non-Profit and Foreign Legal Professional (Titles 14A and 15A)

Attach a certificate of good standing/existence from the state of incorporation not greater than 30 days old to this form.

C. Limited Partnerships (Title 42:2A)

1. Set forth the aggregate amount of cash and a description and statement of the agreed value of other property or services contributed (or to be contributed in the future) by all partners:

2. Do the limited partners have the power to grant the right to become a limited partner to an assignee of any part of their partnership?  Yes  No  
If yes, list the terms/conditions of that power:

3. Do the limited partners have the right to receive distributions from a partner which includes a return of all or any part of the partner's contributions?  Yes  No  
If yes, list the applicable terms:

4. Do the general partners have the right to make distributions to a partner which includes a return of all or any part of the partner's contributions?  Yes  No  
If yes, list the applicable terms:

5. What are the rights of the remaining general partners to continue the business in the event that a general partner withdraws? List below:

D. Foreign Limited Partnerships (Title 42:2A)

Set forth the aggregate amount of cash and a description and statement of the agreed value of other property or services contributed (or to be contributed in the future) by all partners:

**Attachment to Public Records Filing for New Business Entity  
For Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc.**

Question Number	Response										
3	<p><b>Business Purpose:</b> This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, 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 the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. (Note: This is stated in Article 3 of the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation)</p>										
9	<p><b>Management:</b> The names and addresses of the persons who are the initial directors of this corporation are as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="524 716 1312 1041"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="524 716 846 753">Name</th> <th data-bbox="846 716 1312 753">Address</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="524 753 846 827">Alan Krutchkoff</td> <td data-bbox="846 753 1312 827">2-19 Lyncrest Ave Fair Lawn, NJ 07410</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="524 827 846 900">Holmes Brady</td> <td data-bbox="846 827 1312 900">2200 North Central Road, Apt. 11U Fort Lee, NJ 07024</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="524 900 846 974">Lara Marie Cutro aka Lara Spina</td> <td data-bbox="846 900 1312 974">16 Woodland Road Cresskill, NJ 07626</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="524 974 846 1041">H. Allan Virginia</td> <td data-bbox="846 974 1312 1041">675 Cooper Avenue Oradell, NJ 07649</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(Note: This information is stated in Article 5 of the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation)</p>	Name	Address	Alan Krutchkoff	2-19 Lyncrest Ave Fair Lawn, NJ 07410	Holmes Brady	2200 North Central Road, Apt. 11U Fort Lee, NJ 07024	Lara Marie Cutro aka Lara Spina	16 Woodland Road Cresskill, NJ 07626	H. Allan Virginia	675 Cooper Avenue Oradell, NJ 07649
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11. A. 1a	<p>The Corporation shall have No members. (Note: This is stated in Article 7 of the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation)</p>										
11. A. 3	<p>Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government or to the State of New Jersey for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.</p>										

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY  
 Division of Revenue  
 Business Support Services, Commercial Recording  
 P.O. Box 308  
 Trenton, NJ 08646

06/05/2007

SHIP TO:

H ALLAN VIRGINIA  
 676 COOPER  
 ORADELL, NJ 07649

Thank you for your recent work request. The following information summarizes all work requests processed and the associated fees.

If your work was rejected, it is imperative that you include this form or a copy when resubmitting corrected documents or if you are requesting a refund. This will assist us in verifying payment and the original date the work request was submitted. Call us at (609) 292-9292 if you have any questions regarding this notice.

- 1. Customer Number: 474496
- 2. Account Number:
- 3. Session Number: 1836358
- 4. User ID: 24
- 5. Comments On Work Request:

6. Number of Rejected Jobs: 0

Method of Payment: Check

Check No: 116

Amount: \$75.00

**Job 1 :**

**Job Completion Status: C CLOSED (JOB OR SESSION)**

Session Number: 1836358

Work Description: FORMNP CERT OF INC NON PROFIT AND AMENDMENT

Job Number: 3444928

Filing Number: 100980595

Received Date: 05-JUN-07

Entity Name: ADOPT-A-SOLIDER PLATOON, INC.

Comments On Job:

FEE CODE	FEE DESCRIPTION	FEE	QTY	TOTAL
CERTN2	CERTIFICATE OF INC NON PROFIT	75.00	1	\$75.00
<b>JOB TOTAL:</b>				<b>\$75.00</b>

**COMPLETED JOB TOTAL: \$75.00**

**OFFICIAL RECEIPT \*\*\* THIS IS NOT A BILL \*\*\***

\* Please retain a copy for your records to verify check and credit card billing.

## Articles of Incorporation

Article of Incorporation of the undersigned, a majority of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation under the Non-Profit Corporation Law of New Jersey, do hereby certify:

### **Article 1**

The name of this corporation is Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc.

### **Article 2**

The place in this state where the principal office of the corporation is to be located is the Borough of Fair Lawn, County of Bergen.

### **Article 3**

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, 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 the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

### **Article 4**

The mission of this corporation is to lift the morale and support the welfare of active members and veterans of the United States Armed Forces, their immediate families, and the immediate families of deceased veterans.

### **Article 5**

The names and addresses of the persons who are the initial trustees of this corporation are as follows:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
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**Article 6**

No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the 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 Article Fourth hereof. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**Article 7**

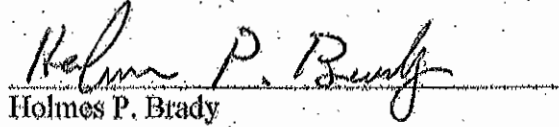
**Membership Provisions:** The corporation shall have no members.

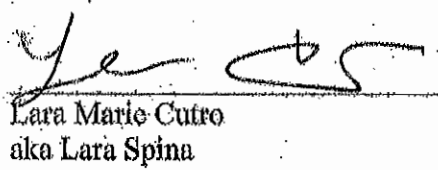
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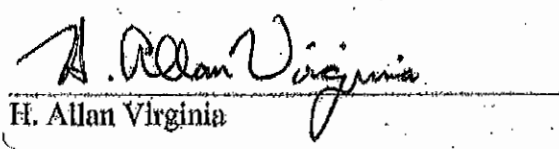
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The undersigned incorporators hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true this day of April 20, 2007.

  
Alan I. Krutchkoff

  
Holmes P. Brady

  
Lara Marie Cutro  
aka Lara Spina

  
H. Allan Virginia

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Part IV

Narrative Description of Activities

The Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon is a grassroots volunteer organization formed in April 2003 by Alan I. Krutchkoff and Holmes P. Brady. The Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon was comprised originally of Unilever US employees in New Jersey and Connecticut, as well as their families and friends, to lift the morale and support the welfare of relatives and friends serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. Since 2003, as word of mouth has travelled, the Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon has grown to receive support from numerous individuals not affiliated with Unilever US as well as local businesses. The "adopted" military units have also grown well beyond those with military personnel with an affiliation or relationship to employees of Unilever US.

On May 29, 2007, the Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon was incorporated in the State of New Jersey as Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc., a non-profit corporation.

Currently, the Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon is supporting 36 military units in Iraq and Afghanistan, and Kuwait, including five combat support hospitals in Iraq, a hospital at Bagram Air Base in Afghanistan a Naval hospital in Kuwait and the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany.

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purchased by Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc. with funds donated by supporters. Project was coordinated with the Base Garrison Commander.

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Future projects and operations will be similar to those conducted in the past with the continuing objective to support the morale, welfare and recreation the of U.S. military units serving abroad.

Future projects under discussion include support of U.S. military personnel recovering from wounds and injuries at U.S. military hospitals.



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Part V Item 3a

Officers, Trustees & Qualifications

Position	Name	Qualifications
President, Trustee & Co-founder	Alan I. Krutchkoff	College Graduate & over 35 years of general business experience
Vice President, Secretary, Trustee & Co-founder	Holmes P. Brady	College Graduate & over 25 years of general business experience
Vice President & Trustee	Lara Marie Cutro (a.k.a. Lara Spina)	College Graduate & over 10 years of general business experience
Treasurer & Trustee	H. Allan Virginia	B.B.A. Pace University (1975), Stonier Graduate School of Banking (1986), over 35 years of general business experience, N.J. Certified Public Accountant (not in public practice)

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**Part V Item 5a**

**Conflict of Interest Policy**

Article 10 of the Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc. By-Laws describe in detail the requirements and processes regarding Conflict of Interests.

Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc. approved by resolution of its Board of Trustees on August 24, 2007 a Conflict of Interest Policy. In addition, each Trustee and Officer affirmed at that Board of Trustee meeting that he/she:

- a. has received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy,
- b. has read and understands the policy,
- c. has agreed to comply with the policy, and
- d. understands the corporation is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.
- e. signed a copy at the meeting or immediately thereafter.

The full text of the Conflict of Interest Policy is provided on pages 2 and 3 of this schedule.

**Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc.**  
**Conflict of Interest Policy**  
**August 24, 2007**

Interested persons (see definition below) of the Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc. scrupulously shall avoid any conflict between their respective personal, professional or business interests and the interests of the Corporation, in any and all actions taken by them on behalf of the Corporation in their respective capacities.

If any interested person of the Corporation has any direct or indirect interest in, or relationship with, any individual or organization that proposes to enter into any transaction with the Corporation, including but not limited to transactions involving:

- the sale, purchase, lease or rental of any property or other asset;
- employment, or rendition of services, personal or otherwise;
- the award of any grant, contract, or subcontract;
- the investment or deposit of any funds of the Association;

such person shall give written notice in advance to the Board of Trustees of such proposed interest or relationship and shall thereafter refrain from discussing or voting on the particular transaction in which he has an interest, or otherwise attempting to exert any influence on the Corporation, or its components to affect a decision to participate or not participate in such transaction.

No interested person of the Corporation shall engage in such activity unless or until he or she has the written authorization of the Board of Trustees.

Interested persons of the Corporation are obligated to report any known or suspected violations of this Policy to the Board of Trustees.

### **Definitions**

**Interested Person.** Any trustee, principal officer, member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, or any other person who is a "disqualified person" as defined in Section 4958(f)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code and as amplified by Section 53.4958-3 of the IRS Regulations, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.

**Financial Interest.** A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:

1. An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the corporation has a transaction or arrangement,
2. A compensation arrangement with the corporation or with any entity or individual with which the corporation has a transaction or arrangement, or
3. A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the corporation is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Section 3, paragraph B, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

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**Part VI Items 1a & 1b**

**Item 1a – Programs providing goods, services or funds to Individuals**

Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc. (AaSP) provides foodstuffs and personal care items to U.S. military units serving abroad, primarily those stationed in combat zones in Iraq and Afghanistan. Contents typically include Q-Tips, Slim Jims, beef jerky, instant iced tea, hard candies, Girl Scout cookies, sun block, white socks, microwave popcorn, Vaseline lotions and other personal care items. Such items are generally sent to specific individuals serving within the units. Upon arrival, items are then distributed throughout the unit by these individuals. These “comfort packages” are usually sent monthly, with individual recipients/units being on a rotating basis. Packages are prepared for shipment by AaSP volunteers.

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Part VIII Items 4a & 4d

Description of Fundraising Programs

Item	Response
4a	<p>To date, Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon (AaSP) has solicited donations only from its volunteers (mainly Unilever US employees) and from local businesses and other companies where AaSP volunteers have a contact, either through a personal or professional relationship. These solicitations were made in person, by email or by telephone.</p> <p>Upon receiving non-profit status, AaSP expects to expand its solicitation of funds to the general public through its website and by mail and email. AaSP also intends to explore foundation grants as another source of funding.</p>
4d	<p>To date, Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon has solicited funds only in New Jersey, Connecticut and New York</p>

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**Part VIII Item 15**

**Connection with Other Organizations**

Originally, the Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon (AaSP) was comprised primarily of Unilever US employees in New Jersey and Connecticut, as well as their families and friends, to lift the morale and support the welfare of relatives and friends serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. Since 2003, as word of mouth has travelled, the AaSP has grown to receive support from numerous individuals not affiliated with Unilever US as well as local businesses. The "adopted" military units have also grown well beyond those with military personnel with any affiliation or relationship to employees of Unilever US.

Unilever US allows AaSP to hold Trustee meeting during non-business hours and also provides temporary storage facilities for holding various foodstuffs and personal care items prior to shipment to military units and medical facilities in Iraq and Afghanistan. While AaSP enjoys the support of Unilever US, its employees and its retirees, the governance of AaSP rests solely with its Board of Trustees.



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**Part IX Item 15**

**Contributions Paid Out**

In 2007, Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc. (AaSP) used \$23,097 of its funds to purchase foodstuffs, personal care items, Xbox video equipment and compatible games. All items purchased were shipped to U.S. military personnel and units serving in Iraq and Afghanistan or at U.S. military hospitals in Kuwait and Germany.

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Part IX Item 19

Change in Assets since Year-end

At the end of 2007, Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon (AaSP) had assets in the form of cash of \$38,498. At the end of April 2008, cash on hand was \$6,358. The funds were used as follows:

Sources of Funds

Cash on hand at 12/31/07	\$ 38,498
Donations received 1/1/08 – 04/30/08	4,822
Dividends/Interest Earned	90
<b>Cash Available for Use</b>	<b>\$ 43,410</b>

Uses of Funds

Soldier Welfare & Morale	\$ 34,041
Fundraising Expenses	2,184
Administrative Expenses	577
Charitable Donation	250
<b>Total Uses of Funds 01/01/08 – 04/30/08</b>	<b>\$ 37,052</b>
<b>Cash on hand at 04/30/08</b>	<b>\$ 6,358</b>

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**Expenses Not Otherwise Classified**

In 2007, Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc. (AaSP) used \$617 of its funds to purchase packaging supplies such as heavy duty wrapping tape and mailing labels.

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**Part X Item 1b**

**Compliance with Section 508(e)**

The articles of incorporation of Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon, Inc. and its purpose and activities conform with the requirements of Section 501(c)(3). Excerpts from the articles of incorporation are provided below.

**Article 3**

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, 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 the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**Article 4**

The mission of this corporation is to lift the morale and support the welfare of active members and veterans of the United States Armed Forces, their immediate families, and the immediate families of deceased veterans.

**Article 6**

No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the 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 Article Fourth hereof. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**Article 8**

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government or to the State of New Jersey for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.