## STATUTE OF THE FOUNDATION

### "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER – GJADER LEZHE"

"VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER – GJADER LEZHE"foundation is a non-profit, non-governmental and non-political organization.

This foundation is established on the basis of the Civil Code of the Republic of Albania and Law No. 8788 dated 05.07.2001 "On non-profit organizations" (amended). It is founded and operates on Christian principles and is dedicated to the goals detailed in Article 3.

The members of the foundation decide to approve this Statute with the aim of deciding the regulation of the issues of organization, operation and activity of "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER – GJADER LEZHE", in order to realize the purpose, mission and objectives within the field of activity of with high civic consciousness and professionalism.

#### **ARTICLE 1**

#### NAME OF THE FOUNDATION

The organization will be called the "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER – GJADER LEZHE" Foundation. The association will have its seal and initials.

The foundation has its logo which reads "VENERINI YOUTH CENTER ROZALBA - GJADER LEZHE"

## **ARTICLE 2**

## MEMBERS OF THE FOUNDATION

Members of the foundation "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER – GADER LEZHE are:

- 1- Arta Suli with father Mark and mother Mrike, born on 17.3.1975, with No. Personal H55317052G.
- 2- Alma Zogu with father Jak and mother Regjina, born on 29.12.1984, with No.

Personal I46229022V.

- 3- Mirela Qafa with father Zef and mother Marte, born on 13.4.1979, with No. Personal H95413042J.
- 4- Mariglena Gjoni with father Gjon and mother Angje, born on 03.6.1979, with No. Personal H95603025V.
- 5- Kristianë Marku with father Muce and mother Violeta, born on 30.05.1994, with No. Personal J45530104T.
- 6- Enrichetta Giovannini with father Amadeo and mother Lina, born on 19.3.1957, with No. Personal H55317052G

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER – GJADER LEZHE" foundation in the main points is:

- The foundation develops its activities in the field of social and care, educational, training, in the protection of rights, in the protection of the environment, in the field of anti-trafficking and human promotion.
- The foundation realizes these activities through various projects and volunteering. The foundation promotes the development of volunteering as a form of civic and social development. The foundation "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER –GJADER LEZHE" for this purpose uses and is based on volunteerism for the development of its institutional activities.

The foundation does not develop its activity for profit purposes, but only in the commitment of the good and the interest of the society.

The institutional goals that the foundation proposes to pursue are:

- To promote and develop activities that focus on the protection of minors, victims of trafficking, women and victims of violence, young people, families and all persons who find themselves in situations of need, in social, legal and economic difficulties.
- To promote and develop social, training and professional activities where the latter aim to accompany the beneficiaries towards full integration in life.
- The foundation can develop and promote activities in favor of all the above-mentioned beneficiaries in cooperation or co-financing with associations, organizations, religious foundations or not, inside and outside Albania in compliance with any rule provided in the statute or in the laws that discipline them these initiatives.

- The foundation can compete with projects, or request funds from governmental and non-governmental organizations, always respecting the principles of the statute and the laws of the Republic of Albania.
- The foundation can carry out, publish research, analysis, studies in the social and environmental field in relation to its purpose.
- The foundation can promote, train and have within it volunteers whether Albanian or foreign.
- The foundation can promote instruments, initiatives and acts that favor the growth of culture, solidarity, active citizenship, social and solidarity spirit, prevention and awareness activities related to the purpose of the foundation.
- The foundation can organize and realize training courses for educators, animators, volunteers, it can realize congresses, shows, sports and music events, it can realize documentaries, books, magazines, newspapers, videos that are related to different topics social, educational and pedagogical.
- The foundation can organize sports, literary, artistic activities, or various excursions both inside and outside Albania.

#### **ACTIVITY**

The Foundation exercises its activity in the following main directions:

- -A- Multifunctional day center for children, teenagers, young people and adults which offers training, awareness and prevention meetings for the various problems of trafficking, violence and exploitation, professional and training courses and various activities mentioned in detail in article 3 without excluding the various religious activities.
- -B- ROZALBA House- Residential Center as a Family Home where it offers residential services for girls (in a healthy physical and mental state): orphans, victims of violence, trafficking, abandoned between the ages of 6-18 years old and offers services for cases of emergency for girls, women, mothers in difficulty and these victims of violence or trafficking.
- -C- The Foundation can set up Dormitories (offers residence for girls who for economic or geographical reasons cannot attend high school, girls from the age of 14-18), as well as offers residence for girls who have reached the age of 18 of the Rozalba House and who are preparing to become independent and ready to start a new life.

### ARTICLE 5

# MOTTO AND MISSION

Motto: The motto of the Foundation "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER – GJADER LEZHE" is the same motto of the establishment of the Venerini Congregation: Educate to liberate.

Mission: Through preventive, sensitizing, training and educational activities, we aim to support and accompany children, teenagers, young people, adults and all persons in need to realize step by step their lives and understand their role in society, thus discovering their calling.

## **ARTICLE 6**

## **HEADQUARTERS**

The foundation has its legal center in Lezhë, Gjadër village. The foundation also develops activity in Lezhë, as in the Ragazioniste School, but also in the former SMT, but it can exercise its activity throughout Albania. The headquarters can be changed by decision of the Assembly of Members.

### **ARTICLE 7**

#### DURATION

The duration of the activity of the Foundation "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER - GĐĐĐR LEZĖ" will be indefinite. The duration can be changed by decision of the Assembly of Members

#### **ARTICLE 8**

## PROHIBITION OF DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS

This foundation is an organization that does not have a profitable economic purpose. It is prohibited that the income that the foundation receives for the development of its activity is used in favor of its members or governing bodies. All the income of the foundation will be used only for the realization and fulfillment of the purpose and objectives of the foundation. The Foundation will not aim to increase its financial resources beyond what is needed to carry out its activity.

No form of profit distribution or financial and material benefit from the Foundation's income and profits is allowed by persons who are subject to the Statute or the Foundation Act, except for obligations in the form of payments for work performed in favor of the Foundation, salaries deriving from the employment contract, rewards and compensations if applicable, also to cover expenses incurred by order and on behalf of the Foundation in the function of exercising the activity of the Foundation in accordance with the legislation in power.

### GOVERNING BODIES OF THE FOUNDATION

The governing bodies of the Foundation are:

- 1. General Meeting
- 2. Governing Council

#### **ARTICLE 10**

## **GENERAL MEETING**

The general meeting is the highest decision-making body of the Foundation.

- The general assembly meets in ordinary session at least once a year. It will take place when the simple majority of the members of the association participate in it - The extraordinary general meeting of the foundation will be held when it is requested by the President of the Foundation or at least 1/3 of the members of the foundation.

As a rule, notice of the holding of the General Meeting and the issues to be dealt with in it is made two weeks in advance in writing. However, for urgent matters, the Chair may call the Meeting by applying a shorter notice period.

The decisions of the General meeting will be valid when at least ½ of the members of the association will be present at the meeting and when a simple majority of the members participating in that meeting have voted in favor of this decision.

Decisions to change the statute, foundation act or program of the foundation, admission and expulsion of members, acts related to the budget and expenses of the foundation, the election, change or dismissal of the members of the Governing Council, the distribution of the foundation and the appointment of the liquidator will to be valid when no less than 2/3 of the foundation's members are present at the general meeting and when the absolute majority of those present have voted in favor of the decision.

The minutes of the General Meeting will be kept by the Secretary of the Governing Council and at the end of the meeting, a copy will be given to each of the members of the foundation.

The General Assembly has the following powers:

- Defines the areas and programs of the foundation's activity and the way of realizing these programs.

- -Elects and dismisses the members of the Governing Council according to the procedures defined previously.
- Approves the association's annual budget and examines all economic, financial and foundation administration issues.
- Accepts new members and expels foundation members.
- -Changes the act of establishment, the statute and the program of the foundation.
- -Issuing acts to regulate the activity, organization and structure of the organization.
- Decides the distribution of the foundation and appoints the liquidator for the development of the foundation's liquidation procedure.
- -Makes decisions on the opening of new branches of the foundation.
- Creates commissions or organizations depending on the activity of the foundation.
- -Exercises any other competence recognized by the law.

The general meeting can vote and take decisions only on the issues defined in the agenda.

#### **ARTICLE 11**

### **DIRECTING COUNCIL**

The management council is the highest executive body of the foundation. It consists of the President, vice-president, secretary and one member. Depending on the change in the number of members of the foundation, the General Meeting may elect new members of the Governing Council.

- The Governing Council deals with the daily activities of the foundation and performs other special tasks according to the decisions of the General Meeting.

The management council recommends to the General Assembly various initiatives and measures in favor of the members of the foundation and for the realization of the purpose and objectives of the foundation. He directs the activity of the foundation for the period between two meetings, in accordance with the statute and the decisions of the general meeting.

- The Governing Council reviews in advance the documentation for the admission of new members of the foundation and presents it to the next General Meeting for approval.
- The governing council draws up the program of activities of the foundation and presents it to the General Meeting for approval, appoints delegations for various activities inside and outside the country, coordinates actions with other homologous organizations, and performs any activity recognized by law.

- The Governing Council appoints the financial employee of the foundation.
- The Governing Council meets no less than once every six months, or when requested by at least 1/3 of its members. Meetings of the Governing Council take place when no less than 2/3 of the members participate. Decisions are taken by simple majority of votes. In case of an equal number of votes, the chairman's vote will be decisive.

The members of the Governing Council will not receive any kind of remuneration for the work performed by them.

- The governing council will take care of keeping the foundation's expenses to a minimum. All banking actions in the name and on behalf of the foundation, as well as actions against third parties, will be carried out by the Chairman of the Governing Council and, in his absence, by the vice-chairman, or any person authorized by them.

## **ARTICLE 12**

#### **FINANCING**

- -The activity of the Foundation "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER GJADER LEZHE" will be financed by the membership fees of the members and by the interests that are benefited from the deposit of funds in the bank account of the association. Also, the foundation will be financed by grants, various donations of natural and legal persons, local or foreign. All the income that the foundation will realize from its financial economic activity will be used for the realization of its purpose and objectives. It is forbidden to distribute the income of the foundation to its members.
- The monthly membership fee in the Foundation will be 100 (one hundred) ALL and will be paid at the beginning of each month to the Governing Council.

The Secretary of the Governing Council will keep accurate data regarding the payment of monthly quotas. The monthly quota can be changed depending on the activity of the association, with the approval of the General Meeting.

-At the first Meeting of each year (Annual Meeting), the financial statement of the association for the previous year will be presented to the General Meeting and the budget of the association for the following year will be approved.

### **ARTICLE 13**

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

- -Member of the "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER GJADER LEZHE" Foundation can be all individuals regardless of race or color as well as social background who are interested in realizing the foundation's goal.
- Membership in the Foundation is voluntary. Each person who will become a member of the foundation must submit to the Foundation's Governing Council a request for membership in the Association and a photocopy of the identity card. His admission to the foundation is made by the General Meeting, according to the procedures defined above. After his acceptance as a member, the name of the new member will be registered in the book of the foundation.
- -Any member may resign from membership by notifying the Governing Council in writing two weeks before the last day of each month.
- Members are excluded from the foundation by decision of the General Meeting when:
- -Perform actions that harm the foundation or its goals.
- They do not pay membership fees
- They do not fulfill the conditions of membership.

## **BRANCHES**

The foundation develops its activity without limitation throughout the territory of the Republic of Albania and abroad. It can establish its branches in the center or in any other territorial administrative unit of Albania, at the same time it can establish branches or subsidiaries outside the territory of Albania.

#### **ARTICLE 15**

## DISTRIBUTION OF THE FOUNDATION

The Foundation terminates its activity when the number of members falls below the number of founding members, when the Foundation has fulfilled its purpose and objectives, as well as in all other cases when provided by law. The decision to distribute the Foundation is taken by the General Meeting, according to the procedures defined above. In this meeting, the liquidator of the Foundation is appointed.

#### **ARTICLE 16**

# LAST PROVISION

To the extent not provided in this Statute, the provisions of the Civil Code of the Republic of Albania and Law No. 8788, dt. 07.05.2001, "For non-profit organizations" (amended).

This statute is drawn up in the Albanian language, in 3 copies of equal value.

## **FOUNDER MEMBERS**

The founding members of the "VENERINI SISTERS YOUTH CENTER – GJADER LEZHE" Foundation:

President - Enrichetta Giovannini

Vice president - Arta Suli

Member (secretary) -Alma Zogu