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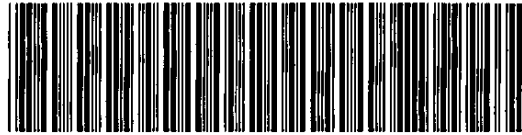
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: The Center for Urban Programs & Services, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
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& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Michael T. Brown Jr.
Name (Printed or typed)

PO BOX 76612
Address

Tampa, Florida 33675
City, State & Zip

(813) 569-9300
Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

**Articles of Incorporation
Of
The Center for Urban Programs & Services, Inc.
In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not For Profit)**

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Article I:

The name of this corporation is **"The Center for Urban Programs & Services, Inc."**

Article II:

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

Place of Business:

2010 E. Martin Luther King Blvd.
Tampa, Fl. 33610

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 76612
Tampa, Fl. 33675

Article III:

The period of duration is perpetual. The corporation is organized pursuant to the Not for Profit Corporation laws of the State of Florida. The qualification for members and the manner of their admission shall be regulated by the bylaws.

Article IV:

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are exclusively charitable, educational, and scientific and consist of the following:

- 1.) To help increase the economic, educational, and social levels of Hillsborough County residents, that includes members of the minority community, who are substantially unemployed, underemployed, or whose income is below federal poverty guidelines.
- 2.) To foster and promote community wide interest and concern for the problems of said community members to the end that (a) educational and economic opportunities may be expanded; (b) poverty, crime and sickness may be lessened; and (c) youth violence, drug use, prejudice, discrimination, and economic depression.
- 3.) To expand the opportunities available to said groups and members to own, manage, and operate business entities in economically depressed areas; to assist said groups and members in developing entrepreneurial and management skills necessary for the successful operation of business enterprises; and to assist said groups and members in obtaining financial support from other sources.

- 4.) To expand opportunities available to said members and groups to obtain adequate free of cost transitional housing by constructing, rehabilitating and providing decent, safe and sanitary housing in Hillsborough County for homeless persons and families who otherwise would not be able to find or afford a suitable place to live. It is the purpose of the corporation thereby to relieve the poor, distressed, underprivileged and indignant by enabling them to secure the basic human needs of decent shelter and to thus lessen the burdens of government and promote the social welfare. To provide such housing through rehabilitation of existing substandard buildings and construction of new facilities.
- 5.) All of the foregoing purposes shall be exercised exclusively charitable and educational purposes in such a manner that the corporation will qualify as an exempt organization under section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

Article V:

The corporation may have one or more classes of members, the qualifications and rights, including voting rights, of which shall be designated in the bylaws.

Article VI:

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, 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 Third hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the 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, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

Article VII:

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. 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.

Article VIII:

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is Five, and the names and addresses, including street number, of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors until the first annual meeting, or until their successors are elected and qualified, are:

Michael T. Brown Jr.
4211 Mariner's Cove Ct.
Tampa, FL. 33610

Romey Battle
2211 E. 27th Ave.
Tampa, FL. 33605

Dr. Kenya Gambrell
3103 E. 27th Ave.
Tampa, FL. 33610

Monica C. Ballard-Brown
2010 E. Martin Luther King Blvd
Tampa, FL. 33610

Marcus Terry
4517 N. Rome Ave. #J-301
Tampa, FL. 33603

The members of the Board of Directors shall be those individuals elected, from time to time, in accordance with the Bylaws. Directors shall elect their successors.

Article IX:

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal and state income tax under section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

Article X:

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. The Corporation is not organized nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. The Corporation shall not distribute any gains, profits or dividends to the Directors, Officers, or Members thereof, or to any individual, except as reasonable compensation for services actually performed in carrying out the Corporation's charitable and educational purposes. The property, assets, profits and net income of the Corporation

Article XI:

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Article XII:

In the event that this Corporation shall become a "private foundation" within the meaning of section 509 of the Internal Revenue Code 1954, the Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to subject it to tax under section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code, shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in section 4941 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code; shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in section 4943 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code; and shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in section 4945 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article XIII:

Any person (and the heirs, executors and administrators of such person) made or threatened to be made a party to any action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that he is or was a Director or Officer of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the corporation against any and all liability and the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and disbursements, incurred by him (or by his heirs, executors or administrators) in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, suit or proceeding, or connection with any appearance therein, except in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding that such Director or Officer is liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duties. Such right of indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such Director or Officer (or such heirs, executors or administrators) may be entitled apart from this Article.

Article XIV:

The **name and Florida street address** of the registered agent for service of process upon the corporation is:

Michael Brown, 4211 Mariner's Cove Court #102, Tampa, Florida. 33610

Article XV:

The **name and address** of the Incorporator is:

Romey Battle, 2211 E. 27th Avenue, Tampa, Florida. 33605

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Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Michael Brown
Signature/Registered Agent

7-19-07
Date

Romey Battle
Signature/Incorporator

7-19-07
Date