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

MARION COUNTY'S DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMEMORATIVE COMMISSION, INC.

**Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :
\$87.50**

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FROM:

**Frank Washington, Jr
2030 SW 7th Street
Ocala, FL 34475
352-6294105**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
MARION COUNTY'S
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMEMORATIVE COMMISSION, INC.**

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The undersigned incorporator adopts the following articles of incorporation.

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this corporation shall be Marion County's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Commission, Inc.

ARTICLE II

PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND ADDRESS

The principal place of business and address of the corporation shall be 2030 SW 7th Street Ocala, Florida 34475

PURPOSE

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, more specifically to commemorate and celebrate each year the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and educate the citizens of Marion County, Florida of the historical significance of his work. To this end, the corporation shall at all times be operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, 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 of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended. All funds, whether income or principal, and whether acquired by gift or contribution or otherwise, shall be devoted to said purposes.

ARTICLE III

EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

At all times shall the following operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the corporation:

1. The corporation shall not afford pecuniary gain, incidentally or otherwise to its members. No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member of the corporation, except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation affecting one or more of its purposes. Such net earnings, if any, of this corporation shall be used to carry out the nonprofit corporate purposes set forth in Article II above.
2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.
3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter

amended.

ARTICLE IV

DURATION

The duration of the corporate existence shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE V

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The corporation shall have no members. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors, as defined in the corporation's bylaws. No Director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation.

The number of Directors constituting the first Board of Directors is five, their names and addresses and offices being as follows:

James Thorpe
President
1744 NW 4th Street
Ocala, FL 34475

Ire Bethea
Vice President
2657 NW 27th Avenue
Ocala, FL 34475

Tina Brito
Secretary
6417 SW 64th Avenue
Ocala, FL 34474

Frank Washington, Jr
Treasurer
2030 SW 7th Street
Ocala, FL 34475

William Russ
515 SW 15th Ave
Ocala, FL 34471

Members of the first Board of Directors shall serve until the first annual meeting, at which their successors are duly elected and qualified, or removed as provided in the bylaws.

ARTICLE VII
DISSOLUTION

At the time of dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all debts, obligations, liabilities, costs and expenses of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation. In no case shall a disposition be made which would not qualify as a charitable contribution under Section 170(c)(1) or (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, in such manner as the Board of Directors shall determine.

ARTICLE VIII
REGISTERED AGENT

The initial registered agent of the corporation is Frank Washington, Jr whose address is 2030 SW 7th Street, Ocala, FL 34475. The initial registered agent certifies he executes these articles to signify his acceptance of the designation of registered agent for the corporation.

ARTICLE VIII
INCORPORATOR

The incorporator of this corporation is William Russ whose address is 515 SW 15th Ave, Ocala, FL 34471. The incorporator certifies he executes these articles for the purposes herein stated.

By: William Russ
William Russ, Incorporator
Dated: November 1, 2007

By: Frank Washington, Jr.
Frank Washington, Jr., Registered Agent
Dated: November 1, 2007

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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.

Signature/Registered Agent Date Frank Washington, Jr.
Signature/Incorporator William Russ 11/29/07 11/29/07