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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

### **OF**

# MOTHERS STANDING IN THE GAP, INC

The undersigned do hereby associate for the purpose of becoming a not for profif corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, and do hereby certify that the following Articles of Incorporation have been adopted:

### **ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation is **MOTHERS STANDING IN THE GAP, INC.** 

### ARTICLE II

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 7901 Baymeadows Circle E, Jacksonville, FL 32256 and the name of the initial registered agent at that address is Cassandra Leverett. The principal office address and mailing address of this corporation is P O Box 10344, Jacksonville, FL 32247.

### **ARTICLE III**

This corporation has the purpose or powers as may be stated in these articles of incorporation, and such additional purposes or powers as may be granted hereafter.

The primary purpose of this corporation is:

- 1. To form a community outreach ministry to provide care and support for mothers who have sons who are incarcerated.
- 2. To organize monthly meetings to allow mothers to encourage each other, have a place to exhale from the pressure of having a son incarcerated, and be allowed remove the mask they wear for the public. At the monthly meeting we will have motivational speakers to provide information about what resources are available to assist in various situations.

3. To provide periodic recreational functions that allow the mothers an opportunity to relax and enjoy fellowship, prayer and a sense of release from the pain experienced from having a son incarcerated.

# **ARTICLE IV**

The corporation shall have three (3) directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by majority vote of the association officers, but shall never be less than three (3). The names and addresses of the first members of the Board of Directors who, subject to the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws of this corporation and the laws of the State of Florida, shall hold office until their resignation, removal from office, or death, is as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Cassandra Leverett	7901 Baymeadows Circle E, Jacksonville, FL 32256
Ann Johnson	12321 Bucks Harbor Drive S., Jacksonville, FL 32225
Anita Gardner	2242 Bristol Spring Court, Jacksonville, FL 32246
	ARTICLE V

### <u>ARTICLE V</u>

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	ADDRESS
Deborah Jackson	1705 E Adams Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202

# **ARTICLE VI**

The officers of this corporation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a

Treasurer and such other officers, directors, agents and factors as shall be chosen in such manner,
hold their offices for such terms and have such powers and duties as may be prescribed by the

bylaws or determined by the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person and directors may also be officers.

### ARTICLE VII

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors. Said organization 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be in the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principle office of the organization 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

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter provided by law, and all rights conferred on shareholders herein are granted, subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has hereunto set her hand and seal this 1st day of January, 2014, for the purpose of forming this corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, and she hereby makes and files, in the office of the Secretary of State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation, and certifies that the facts herein stated are true.

Deborah Jackson

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICLE FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM SERVICE OF PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

Pursuant to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, MOTHERS STANDING IN THE GAP, INC.

desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its registered office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at the City of Jacksonville, County of DUVAL, State of Florida, has named Cassandra Leverett located at 7901 Baymeadows Circle E, Jacksonville, FL 32256, as its resident agent to accept service of process within this state.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The undersigned having been named to accept service of process for the above state corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping my office open

Cassandra Leverett

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DUVAL

BEFORE ME, personally appeared, to me well known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing Certification of Registered Agent status, and acknowledged before me that she executed the same for the purposes herein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 27th day of December, 2014.

Notary Public State of Florida