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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF**

**A Caring Connexion, Inc.**

The named corporation voluntary association and members of said organization do voluntarily associate themselves to form a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida and do hereby certify:

**ARTICLE I – NAME OF CORPORATION**

The corporate name of the Organization shall be: Ordering Steps to Empowerment

**ARTICLE II – ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal office of said organization shall be located:

**614 Alhambra Ave.  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714**

**ARTICLE III PURPOSE**

The primary purpose for which this corporation is formed is to provide quality Supported Living, Companion, Non-Residential Services, Supportive Employment, Chore, Respite Care, Homemaker, In-home support, Personal Care Assistance services to individual and their families within the community. Services will be provided to all eligible individuals currently on Medicaid Waiver for Developmental Disabilities.

This requirement shall not be deemed to preclude a statement of general purpose of power or to restrict the right of the Corporation to engage in other lawful activity.

To purchase, receive, take, acquire, hold, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of property, whether it be real, personal or mixed: to receive property by will, and to otherwise require and hold all property, real or personal, including shares of stocks, bonds, and securities of other Corporations, to wit.

Said property is to be held in trust for the use and benefit of the clients of the:

**A Caring Connexion, Inc.**

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- To act as Trustees under any condition incidental to the principal subject of the Corporation, and to receive, hold, administer, and extend funds of property subject to such trust;
- To convey, exchange, lease, mortgage, encumber, transfer upon trust, or otherwise dispose of all property, real or personal;
- To borrow money, contract debts and issue bonds, notes debentures, and secure same;
- To contact and be contracted with;
- To do all acts necessary or expedient for the administration of the affairs and attainment of the purpose of the Corporation;
- That the Corporation is organized pursuant to the general non-profit Corporation law.
- That the Corporation is a Corporation that does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof.

## **SECTION B – THE FURTHER PURPOSE**

Further, the purpose for which the Corporation is organized is exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational within the meaning of section 501C(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United State Internal Revenue Law.

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed to one or more exempt purpose within the meaning of section 501C(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, shall distribute to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the incorporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine which are organized and operate exclusively for such purposes.

## **ARTICLE IV – QUALIFYING MEMBERS**

Anyone shall qualify as member of this corporation and will be admitted when he or she is accepted by membership guidelines set forth regulating membership found in the Official Manual the denomination.

## **ARTICLE V – CIVIL STRUCTURE**

The civil officers of the corporation shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officers as the corporation shall establish.

- A. The President shall preside at all meetings and shall make an annual report of the status and condition of the corporation to this Board of Directors. The President shall sign all certificates, contracts, deeds and other instruments of the corporation.
- B. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings; shall have charge of the seal and corporate books and shall make such reports and perform such duties of the secretary in his/her absence, or disability, or as directed by the corporation.
- C. The Treasurer shall have custody of all monies and securities of the corporation and shall keep regular books of accounts. He shall disburse the funds of the corporation in payment of the just demands against the accounting of all his transactions as Treasurer of the financial condition of the corporation. The Assistant Treasurer shall perform duties of the treasure in his absence, disability or as directed by the corporation.
- D. The officers of the corporation shall hold offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
- E. The Board of Directors shall meet at least once each year, but special meetings may be called if and when the same may become necessary. Directors who shall be given the title of Trustees shall be decided upon in an annual meeting of the organization in January. Election shall be by secret ballot subject to the approval of the President before such election is confirmed. If a vacancy occurs in the Board of Trustees, the remaining Trustees shall submit to President, for approval, the name of some person to fill out the un-expired term until the next annual meeting. The names and addresses of persons who are to act in the capacity of Directors until the selection of their successors and who shall be given the title of Trustees are:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ADDRESS/CITY &amp; STATE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
Keya Brandon	614 Alhambra Ave., Altamonte Springs, Fl 32714	President
Quinetta Florence	550 Hattaway Dr. Unit #3, Altamonte Springs, Fl. 32701	V. President
Cheryle Short	6 Clarence St, Dover, De. 19901	Secretary
Vanessa Snoddy	3930 Hillingdon Rd. Tavares, Fl. 32778	Trustee
Nikea Coffee	10361 Dyland St. Apt # 1032, Orlando, Fl. 32825	Trustee

Bylaws of the Corporation may be made, altered, or rescinded by the members of the Corporation at any regular meeting with a majority of the membership present and 2/3 vote of the members present.

## **ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS**

These Articles of incorporation may be amended upon 2/3 vote of the majority of the membership. Proposed amendment shall have been present in writing prior to the date of the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be acted upon.

## **SECTION B – AMENDMENT EFFECTIVENESS QUALIFICATION**

Amendments to the Article of Incorporation, when approved by a 2/3 vote of the members present and voting as provided in Section I, must also be forward to the Florida Secretary of States Office and file before the same shall become effective.

## **ARTICLE VIII – REGISTERED AGENT**

**Keya Brandon  
614 Alhambra Ave.  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714**

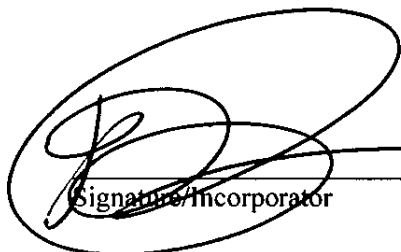
Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated Corporation at the place designated in this certificate. I hereby accept the appointment as the registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statues relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

  
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Signature/Registered Agent

5/4/07  
Date

## **ARTICLE X – THE INCORPORATOR**

**Keya Brandon  
614 Alhambra Ave.  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714**

  
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Signature/Incorporator

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