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# ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION for

## UNITED HAITIAN - AMERICANS OF CENTRAL FLORIDA,

(A Florida Not for Profit Corporation)

The undersigned, acting as incorporator (s) of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617. Florida Statutes, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE I

The name of this Corporation is UNITED HAITIAN-AMERICANS OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, Inc.. hereinafter called, (the "Corporation")

#### **ARTICLE II**

The address of the principal office and mailing address of the Corporation shall be:

1017 West Oakridge Road, Orlando, Florida 32809

#### ARTICLE III

The period of the duration of the Corporation is perpetual unless dissolved according to law.

#### ARTICLE IV

The Corporation is organized exclusively for artistic, educational and charitable purposes, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### **ARTICLE V**

The Corporation shall have the power to acquire, own, maintain and use its assets for the purposes for which it is organized; to raise funds by any legal means for the advancement of its purposes; to acquire, hold, own, use and dispose of real or personal property in connection with furtherance of the purposes for which the Corporation is organized; and to exercise all powers granted to a corporation not for profit under Florida law. In addition to the powers specified, the Corporation shall have the additional powers specified in its bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

Management of the Corporation shall be vested in the Corporation's Board of Directors, the members of which shall be not less than seven (7). The number and method of election of the directors of the Corporation who shall serve following the terms of the initial directors of the Corporation shall be as stated in the bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

The number constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be thirteen (13). The names and addresses of the persons who shall serve as the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation are as follow:

Frantz Fan Fan President 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL 32809

M. Merite Altime
Vice President
1017 West Oakridge Road Drive
Orlando, FL 32809

P. Louinor Verly Secretary 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL 32809

Carole Alexander Assistant Secretary 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL 32809

Fritz Seide Treasurer 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL 32808 Jean Robert Belabre Assistant Treasurer 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL 32809

Joseph Roilne Sejour 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL 323809

Dr. Lionel Nau 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, Fl 323809

Dr. Marie Jose Francois 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL 323809

Frantz Bouciquot 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL 323809

Charloit Frank 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL

Robert A. Berladote 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL

Gary A. Siplin 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, FL32809

ARTICLE VIII

The Corporation shall not have members.

#### ARTICLE IX

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 of 1986, as amended, 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 public purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Florida 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 X

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or 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 IV hereof.

No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall involve 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 activities of any kind, except as permitted by the provisions of Section 501 (h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Notwithstanding to any other provision of this Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Sections 170(c)(2), 2055, 2106(A)(2) and 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding sections of any future federal tax code.

#### <u>ARTICLE XI</u>

These Articles of Incorporation shall be amended only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE XII

The bylaws of the Corporation may be amended, altered, or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors. The bylaws may contain any provisions for the regulation and management of the affairs of the Corporation not inconsistent with law or these Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE XIII

The street address of the Corporation's initial registered office in the State of Florida is: 1017 West Oakridge Road, City of Orlando, County of Orange, and the name of its initial registered agent at such office is Gary A. Siplin.

#### ARTICLE XIV

The name of the sole incorporator is Gary A. Siplin, Esquire hereinafter called (the "Incorporator")

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned authority, being the Incorporator for the purpose of forming a Corporation pursuant to the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, as amended, has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 15 day of formar 1, 2000.

Gary A. Siplin, Esquire, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA )
COUNTY OF ORANGE)

**2000.** 

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared <u>Gary A. Siplin</u>, to me known to be the person described in the executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, who, after being duly sworn under oath, acknowledged before me that said person executed the same for the purpose therein express. He (is personally known to me) or (has produced a Florida's State Drivers License as identification).

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this \_\_\_\_of \_\_\_

Notary Public, State of Florida



## CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 607.0501 or 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the Corporation is:

### UNITED HAITIAN-AMERICANS OF CENTTRAL FLORIDA, Inc.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Gary A. Siplin, Esquire Gary A. Siplin & Associates, P.A. 1017 West Oakridge Road Orlando, Florida 32809

HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND DO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES 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.

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

SECRETARY OF STATE