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SUBJECT: IMMOKALEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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

☐ \$70.00
Filing Fee

☒ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: HENRY B. STARLING, JR.
Name (Printed or typed)
720 N. 15th. Street
Address
Immokalee, FL. 34142
City, State & Zip
941-657-3237
Daytime Telephone number

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
IMMOKALEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned Incorporator signs and delivers these Articles of Incorporation in order to form a corporation not for profit under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

IMMOKALEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND ADDRESS

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

C/o H.B. Starling, Jr.
720 N. 15th Street
Immokalee, Florida 34142

ARTICLE III. PURPOSES

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). Within the scope of these tax-exempt purposes, the specific purposes for which the Corporation is organized include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. To plan, coordinate and oversee the retention and attraction of businesses and economic development within the greater Immokalee community;
- B. To contract with other entities to provide economic development, housing development, job employment opportunities, and job training and education opportunities to benefit the economically disadvantaged individuals and families in the community;
- C. To coordinate with other private and public entities, including but not limited to profit-making businesses and government agencies, and to form partnerships and links in an effort to secure, maintain and improve the standard of living and quality of life for the economically disadvantaged which includes those receiving public assistance or qualifying as being at risk in the community;

D. To promote the quality of participation of the economically disadvantaged in the economic and social life of the community;

E. To acquire, hold, lease, mortgage or transfer real and personal property; to borrow money and mortgage or place liens on the property of the Corporation; to invest and reinvest funds in securities and property; and to otherwise exercise all of the financial powers permitted for a corporation not for profit in the State of Florida;

F. To exercise all of the corporate powers now or hereafter provided by the laws of the State of Florida applicable to corporations not for profit, and specifically including the powers listed in Section 617.0302, Florida Statutes, and all amendments thereto, pertaining to corporations not for profit in the State of Florida, except where the exercise of such powers would cause the Corporation to violate any of the provisions contained in Article IV of these Articles of Incorporation, including but not limited to promoting, establishing, conducting and maintaining exempt activities on its own behalf and providing assistance or contributions to other corporations, organizations and institutions.

ARTICLE IV. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation:

A. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall ever be to carry on propaganda, or otherwise to attempt to influence legislation, except to the extent permitted pursuant to an election made under Section 501(h) of the Code, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities which are prohibited for a corporation qualifying for exemption from federal income tax as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

C. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, officers, or other private persons, unless such officer, director or other person is itself an organization qualifying for exemption for federal income tax as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code; provided, however, that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, to reimburse reasonable expenditures made on behalf of the Corporation and to make contracts, payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III of these Articles of Incorporation.

D. In the event of the dissolution or final liquidation of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Board of Directors shall, after paying all liabilities of the Corporation, transfer all remaining assets of the Corporation exclusively to one or more

organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) of the Code or to the federal, state or local governments exclusively for public purposes.

ARTICLE V. TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VI. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the supervision of a Board of Directors, which shall always have not less than five (5) persons. The number of Directors may be increased from time to time, as provided in the Bylaws.

The Directors named below shall serve until the first election of Directors as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation and any vacancies in their number occurring before the first election shall be filled by the remaining Directors. Thereafter, Directors shall be elected in accordance with the Bylaws at the regular annual meetings of the Corporation. The names and street addresses of the initial directors are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Stephen L. Price Chairman & President	1400 N. 15 th Street Immokalee, FL 34142
John H. Drury Vice-President	165 Airpark Boulevard Immokalee, FL 34142
Robert M. Coleman, Jr. Treasurer	1400 N. 15 th Street, Suite A Immokalee, FL 34142
Anne Goodnight Secretary	P.O. Box 5396 Immokalee, FL 34143
H.B. Starling, Jr.	720 N. 15 th St., Immokalee, FL. 34142
Patricia Ann Swilley	P.O. Box 152, Immokalee, FL. 34143
Michael O. Taylor	P.O. Box 1115, Immokalee, FL. 34143
Carolyn Billie	6300 Sterling Rd., Hollywood, FL. 33024
Everett D. Loukonen	P.O. Box 1990, Immokalee, FL. 34143
Fred N. Thomas, Jr.	1205 Orchid Ave., Immokalee, FL. 34142

James W. O'Quinn	7301 Hunters Point, Immokalee, FL. 34142
José Homero Betancourt	P.O. Box 5005, Immokalee, FL. 34143
Kenneth J. Blocker	110 12 th Street, Immokalee, FL. 34142
Linda N. Salazar	856 Pine Ct., Immokalee, FL. 34142
Cecil R. Howell, Jr.	1202 Orchid Ave., Immokalee, FL. 34142
Eva J. Deyo	1020 Sanitation Rd., Immokalee, FL. 34142
James A. Mercer	4210 Metro Parkway, Suite 210 Ft. Meyers, FL. 33916

ARTICLE VII. BYLAWS

The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall have the power to adopt, alter, amend, or repeal Bylaws provided that notice of the proposed action relating to the Bylaws is included in the notice of the meeting at which action is to be taken.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provision in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment thereto, by an affirmative vote of a majority of the total number of members of the Board of Directors who must be present to vote at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors provided that notice of the proposed action relating to the Articles of Incorporation is included in the notice of the meeting at which action is to be taken.

ARTICLE IX. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The name and address of the initial registered agent of the corporation is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
H.B. Starling, Jr.	720 N. 15 th Street Immokalee, FL. 34142

ARTICLE X. INCORPORATOR

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

Name

Address

Stephen L. Price

1400 N. 15th Street
Immokalee, FL. 34142


Executed at Immokalee, Florida this 18th day of April 2000.



Stephen L. Price
Incorporator

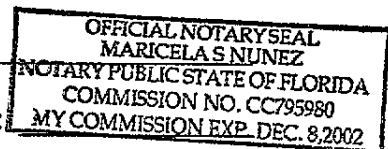
STATE OF FLORIDA)
)
COUNTY OF COLLIER)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 18th day of April 2000 by Steven L. Price, who is personally known to me and did not take an oath.


Notary Signature
Name: Maricela S. Nunez
Notary Public
State of Florida at Large

Commission No.:

Commission Expires:

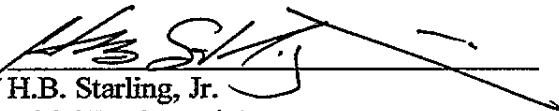


**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE
SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM
PROCESS MAY BE SERVED:**

Pursuant to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

The **IMMOKALEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its initial registered office, as indicated by its Articles of Incorporation, at 720 N. 15th Street, Immokalee, Florida 34142 has named H.B. Starling, Jr. as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

Having been named to accept service of process for the Corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I agree to act in that capacity, to accept the obligations imposed by Section 617.023, Florida Statutes, and am familiar with the obligations imposed by that position.


H.B. Starling, Jr.

Initial Registered Agent

4-20-00
Date

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