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Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tailahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: _	COMMUNITY	ADVOCACY	GROUPI	neorporated
	(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

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\$87.50 Filing Fee.

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904) 355-7470 Daytime Telephone number

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE COMMUNITY ADVOCACY GROUP

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(A Corporation Not for Profit)

We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a faith-based charitable and philanthropic corporation not for profit, under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes and in accordance with all pertinent laws of the State of Florida, hereby associate ourselves and make, subscribe, and agree to the following:

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this corporation shall be the COMMUNITY ADVOCACY GROUP, INCORPORATED. The principal place of business shall be located in Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The purpose the Community Advocacy Group, Inc. ("CAG") is to promote community and self-sufficiency for low to moderate income and working poor families and individuals and to broaden their access to justice, by providing them and key community groups with technical assistance, self-help projects, community education, legal information, and skilled advocacy.

The corporation may receive, hold, invest, and reinvest gifts and grants of money or property, collect income, sell property, and disburse funds to any person or organization, public or private, and work with other individuals, groups, private organizations and governmental agencies to establish and maintain programs to meet the aforementioned purposes of the disadvantaged in the City of Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida.

No member, director or officer of the corporation, or any private individuals, shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of this corporation.

ARTICLE III: POWERS

This corporation shall have all the powers provided for corporations not for profit by Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes or corresponding provisions of any subsequent statute, and all the powers of any other statute or law which do not in any way adversely affect the corporation's status as a corporation not for profit under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE IV: TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE V: QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The membership of this corporation shall constitute all persons hereinafter named as subscribers and such other persons as shall be interested in and willing to work for the purposes of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI: SUBSCRIBERS

The names and residences of the subscribers of these Articles of Incorporation are:

<u>Name</u>	Residence
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Robert Bencivenga	4233 Colonial Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32210
Patricia A. Clare	8757 Como Lake Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32256
Charlotte A. Coats	12581 Sampson Road, Jacksonville, FL 32218
Beverly E. Frazier	2199 Astor Street, #305, Orange Park, FL 32073
Leonard Hampton	511 West 11 th Street, Jacksonville, FL 32206
L. R. Jones	1755 Leon Road, #3424, Jacksonville, FL 32246
Caroline Welkley	6246 Maney Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32216
Lee N. Welkley	6246 Maney Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32216
Kevin Wright	12581 Sampson Road, Jacksonville, FL 32218

ARTICLE VII: OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided for in the By Laws.

Section 2. The names of the persons who are to serve as officers of the corporation until the first meeting of the membership are:

President: Caroline Welkley, 6246 Maney Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32216
Vice President: Robert Bencivenga, 4233 Colonial Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32210
Secretary: Patricia A. Clare, 8757 Como Lake Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32256
Treasurer: Beverly E. Frazier, 2199 Astor Street, #305, Orange Park, FL 32073

Section 3. The officers shall be elected as provided in the By Laws.

ARTICLE VIII: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The business affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by the Board of Directors. This corporation shall have nine directors initially. The number of

directors may be increased or reduced from time-to-time, in accordance with the By Laws, but shall never be less than three persons.

- Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the By Laws.
- Section 3. Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the By Laws.
- Section 4. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors for the ensuing year, or until the first meeting of the corporation are as listed in Article VII: Section 2.

ARTICLE IX: BY LAWS

- Section 1: The membership of this corporation may provide such By Laws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they may deem necessary from time-to-time.
- Section 2. Upon proper notice the By Laws may be amended, altered or rescinded by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the corporation present at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS

- Section 1. These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a special meeting of the membership called for that purpose by a two-thirds majority vote of those present.
- Section 2. Amendments may also be made at a regular meeting of the membership upon proper notice given, as provided by the By Laws, of intention to submit such amendments.

ARTICLE XI: LOCATION

The location of this corporation shall be at 113 West 17th Street, Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida 32206.

ARTICLE XII: POWERS

In order to promote the purposes of this corporation, the corporation may acquire property by grant, gift, purchase, devise, bequest, transfer or loan and it may hold an dispose of such property as the corporation shall require for the benefits of its general purpose and not for pecuniary profit.

ARTICLE XIII: NON-PROFIT STATUS

No part of the net earnings, if any, of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual or member. In the event of dissolution of this corporation, no person, firm or corporation shall ever receive dividends or profits from the undertaking of this corporation and upon dissolution of this organization all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to organizations which have qualified for exemption under Section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or to the Federal government, or to a State or local government, for a public purpose, and one of the assets will be distributed to any member, officer, or directors of this corporation.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, we, the undersigned subscribing incorporators have hereunto set our hands and seals, this /7th day of April, 2001, for the purpose of forming this corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

aroling Welkley, President

Robert Bencivenga, Vice President

(Seal)

Patricia A. Clare, Secretary

Beverly E. Frazier, Treasurer

STATE OF FLORIDA)

COUNT OF DUVAL)

Before me personally appeared Caroline Welkley, Robert Bencivenga, Patricia A. Clare, and Beverly E. Frazier, well known to me to be the persons named in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed same.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 17 m 2001.

LEE N. WELKLEY Comm. No. CC 688564 My Comm. Exp. Dec. 29, 2001 Bonded thru Pichard Ins. Agev. Commission No.: 68856

My Commission expires:



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

Pursuant to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act.

The Community Advocacy Group, Incorporated, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal place of business as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida, has named Caroline Welkley, located at 6246 Maney Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32216, as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above state corporation, at place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provision of said act relative to keeping open such office.

Caroline Welkley