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Division of Corporations  
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SUBJECT: Kids In Need of Families Offering Love, Kindness and Support, Inc.  
(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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FROM: Tracie Reddick  
Name (Printed or typed)

5351 9th Street, S.  
Address

St. Petersburg, FL 33705  
City, State & Zip

(727) 864-9231  
Daytime Telephone number

AUTHORIZATION BY PHONE TO  
CORRECT Art #  
DATE 7/9/01  
BY Don Brown

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

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

- *Kids In Need of Families Offering Love, Kindness and Support, Inc.*

### ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

- The mailing address for Kinfolks shall be 5351 9th Street South, St. Petersburg Florida, 33705
- During the start-up phase, Kinfolks' meetings and events will be held at the *James B. Sanderlin Center*, a community service facility in south St. Petersburg that is utilized by an array of nonprofit agencies. The *Sanderlin Center's* address is 2335 22nd Avenue South.
- Kinfolks is currently negotiating a contract with the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance for space in their facility.
- Kinfolks' goal is to move into its own facility by the end of its first fiscal year. An active search is currently underway for a permanent home.

### ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

- To recruit and retain foster and adoptive parents for minority children with special needs.
- Kinfolks also will provide recreational projects (trips to local museums and amusement parks) and educational and social activities (tutoring, mentoring) aimed at raising the self-esteem of foster children.
- In addition, Kinfolks will develop an institution to teach/disseminate educational materials to the public, including, but not limited to, material relating to foster care and minority parenting issues, through publications, lectures, workshops, and seminars.

### ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:

- During the start-up phase, each director shall hold office for a period of one year and until his/her successor is elected and qualifies. In the second year, the board term for directors will increase to a period of three years.
- Board meetings will be held bimonthly (six times) during the first year and increase to a monthly basis during the second year and beyond.
- One meeting - the last annual gathering of directors - per year will be designated for the election of new board members. Voting shall consist of written ballots. Each director may cast one vote per candidate. The candidate with the largest number of votes will be elected to serve on the board.

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**ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS/OFFICERS**

**The name and addresses:**

- *Nancy Bastock*, 4124 Beach Drive SE, St. Petersburg, Fl. 33705. She is a transracial adoptive parent and Pinellas County School Board member.
- *Winnie Foster*, 311 57th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, Fl. 33705. She is a former officer in the Pinellas County Democratic Party and an active member of the local chapter of the National Organization of Women.
- *LouNell Britt*, 2335 22nd Avenue South, St. Petersburg, Fl. 33712. Britt is a retired foster care advocate for the Department of Children & Families and a current board member of the Sanderlin Center.
- *Brenda Townsend*, USF, College of Education, 4202 E. Fowler Avenue, EDU 162, Tampa, Fl. 33620. Townsend is an associate professor specializing in special education and children at-risk of failing in school.
- *Kim Vaz*, USF, College of Women Studies, 4202 E. Fowler Ave., Tampa, Fl. 33620. Vaz is an associate professor specializing in women and Africana studies. She is also a clinical psychologist and will help organize foster and adoptive support groups.

**ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

**The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:**

**Tracie Reddick,  
Executive Director, Kinfolks, Inc.  
5351 9th Street South  
St. Petersburg, Florida 33705  
(727) 864-9231**

**ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR**

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

**Tracie Reddick  
5351 9th Street South  
St. Petersburg, Florida 33705  
(727) 864-9231**

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Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Signature/Registered Agent *Tracie Reddick* Date 6/24/01

Signature/Incorporator *Tracie Reddick* Date 6/24/01