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SUBJECT: THE CHANCE FOUNDATION, INC.

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We have received your document for THE CHANCE FOUNDATION, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0803, Florida Statutes, requires that the board of directors never have fewer than three directors.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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OF

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

# THE CHANCE FOUNDATION, INC. a corporation not for profit

The undersigned, being above the age of eighteen years and competent to contract, for the purpose of organizing a not for profit corporation under the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation, and do hereby agree and certify as follows:

### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this corporation is The Chance Foundation, Inc.

## ARTICLE II - DURATION

This corporation shall commence upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the State of Florida and shall have perpetual existence.

## ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The purposes for which this corporation is organized are exclusively charitable and educational purposes not for pecuniary profit including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The specific objectives of the corporation include the following activities:

- 1. Conducting various programs including but not limited to A. After School Program (Study Session, Computer Classes, Fitness Classes, Martial Arts Classes, Field Trips, Dinner), B. Tutorial Program, C. Mentoring Program, D. Life Skills Program (Hygiene Classes, Health Classes, Independent Living Classes, Budgeting and Financing Classes, and Career Development Classes), and E. Expressive Therapy Program (Yoga, Writing, Painting, Arts and Acting). Such programs will guide, unite and educate students for success.
- 2. Conducting athletic events such as Celebrity Basketball Game, Celebrity Golf Tournament, Queens of Court Tournament, Big Red Bowl and Christmas Tournaments.

Such events will unite the community exposing young people to positive role models and allowing for interaction between young people from different neighborhoods, different ethnic backgrounds etc.

- 3. Conducting various athletic leagues including Summer League, Midnight Basketball League, ProAm League, Carla McGhee Basketball Camps and Fundamental Clinics. Such programs will expose young people to athletics while teaching discipline and self-esteem in a nurturing environment.
- 4. Hosting Black Tie Dinner and Award Banquet. Such an event will allow the Foundation to recognize it's participants, volunteers and sponsors and to donate proceeds to the Blind Fund, Foster Care Fund and Sarcoidiosis Disease Fund for research and treatment.
- 5. The exercise of all powers conferred on a corporation organized under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act as currently in effect and as it may be amended, and all such other powers as are permitted by applicable law.

The foregoing shall not be construed as authority to carry on business or exercise any power or undertake any act, which may be inconsistent with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes relating to corporations not for profit.

# ARTICLE IV - MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATION

All power to control and manage the corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE V - NUMBER AND MANNER OF SELECTION OF DIRECTORS

- 1. The Corporation shall not have less than three director.
- 2. The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed and the number of directors of the corporation shall be specified, from time to time, by the bylaws but shall not be less than three.

# ARTICLE VI - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have eleven (11) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the bylaws but shall never be less than three (3). The name and address of the initial directors of this corporation are as follows:

- 1. Carla McGhee, Chairman, 1302 East Robinson Street, Orlando, Florida 32801.
- 2. LaMeka Dyson, Vice Chairman, 8278 Audrain Drive, St. Louis, MO 63121.
- 3. Dawn Hall, Treasurer, 2814 M. L. Drive, Peoria, IL 61604.
- 4. Brunetta Garner, Secretary, 7742 Shamrock, Millington, TN 38053.
- 5. Karen E. Scott, 2005 Peoria Street, Peoria, IL 61603.
- 6. James L. McCoy, 2221 N. Ardell Place, Peoria, IL 61614.
- 7. Ellen K. Hines, 1120 Greatwood Manor, Alpharetta, GA 30005.
- 8. Mia Guyton, 2308 Overhill Rd., Peoria, IL 61615.
- 9. Jonelle McCloud, 611 Coolidge, Ct., Peoria, IL 61604.
- 10. Tara McCoy, 2221 N. Ardell Place, Peoria, IL 61614.
- 11. Bernice Young, 2611 W. Marquette, Peoria, IL 61605.

# ARTICLE VII - PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be 1302 East Robinson Street, Orlando, Florida 32801 and the mailing address shall be the same.

# ARTICLE VIII - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 1302 East Robinson Street, Orlando, Florida 32801 and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at the address is Carla McGhee.

## ARTICLE IX - <u>INCORPORATOR</u>

The name and address of the person signing these articles is Carla McGhee, 1302 East Robinson, Orlando, Florida 32801.

## ARTICLE X - BYLAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE XI - MEMBERS

The members of this corporation shall be those serving as directors of the corporation. The Board of Directors may provide for other members who are not also directors and specify the manner of their admission and expulsion in the bylaws.

#### ARTICLE XII - NON - STOCK CORPORATION

This corporation is organized upon a nonstock basis and shall not issue shares of stock.

#### ARTICLE XIII – CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

If a person is serving as a director of this corporation and has a financial interest in any other entity doing business with this corporation or stands to benefit by any contract entered into by this corporation with another person or entity, the interested director shall declare his or her interest and shall not participate in any vote of the directors concerning that matter or that transaction.

No contract or other transaction of this corporation with any person, firm or corporation nor any other contract or other transaction in which this corporation is interested shall be invalidated or affected by (a) the fact that one or more of the directors of this corporation is interested in or is a director or officer of another corporation, or (b) the fact that any director, individually or jointly with others may be a party to or may be interested in the contract or transaction; and each person who may become a director of this corporation is hereby relieved from any liability that might otherwise arise by reason of his contracting with this corporation for the benefit of himself or any firm, or corporation in which he may be interested.

#### ARTICLE XIV - RESTRICTIONS ON INCOME AND EARNINGS

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall insure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization 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 the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE XV – DISPOSITION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 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 a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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 XVI - INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation shall indemnify any present or former officer or director, or person exercising powers and duties of a director, to the full extent now or hereafter permitted by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporator of this corporation, executed these Articles of Incorporation and certifies to the truth of the facts herein stated this 18th day of September, 2001.

Carla McGhee Incorporator

STATE OF

COUNTY OF

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of The Chance Foundation, Inc., a corporation not for profit, was acknowledged before me this 1xth day of September, 2001 by Carla McGhee, who is personally known to me or (who has produced ILDL# Mano-1166-8668 respectively) as identification and who did not take an oath

> Notary Public, State of Geor My Commission expires: Notary Public, Dekalb County, Georgia

My Commission Expires February 15, 2004

## **CERTIFICATE OF REGISTERED AGENT**

Having been named as registered agent and designated to accept service of process for **The Chance Foundation**, **Inc.**, a corporation not for profit at the place designated in the Articles of Incorporation, 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 statute relating to the property and complete performances of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Date: Sept. 18, 2001

Name: Carla McGhee Registered Agent