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

The Hope Community Empowerment Corporation (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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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: Calvin J. McFadden

Name (Printed or typed)

2029 South Adams Street

Address

Tallahassee, Florida 32301

City, State & Zip

(850) 877-4823

Daytime Telephone number

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

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

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### THE HOPE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT CORPORATION

A Not-for-Profit Corporation in the State of Florida

SECLETAIL OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

#### Article I Name

The name of this corporation is the Hope Community Empowerment Corporation .

Article II
Duration

The period of duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

#### Article III Principal Office

The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation is 2029 South Adams Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

#### Article IV Purpose

The primary objective of the Hope Community Empowerment Corporation is holistic empowerment of the community. The Hope Community Empowerment Corporation provides services which are aimed at preserving, enhancing and restoring the quality of life for residents living on the south side of the City of Tallahassee.

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes, 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 Corporation may receive and administer funds for religious, educational, and charitable purposes, within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and to that end, the Corporation is empowered to hold any property, or any undivided interest therein, without limitation as to amount or value; to dispose of any such property and to invest, reinvest, or deal with the principal or the income in such manner as, in the judgment of the directors, will best promote the purposes of the Corporation, without limitation, except such limitations, if any, as may be contained in the instrument under which such property is received, these Articles of Incorporation, the By-Laws of the Corporation, or any applicable laws, to do any other act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purposes or in

advancement thereof, but not for the pecuniary profit or financial gain of its directors or officers except as permitted under the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.

- 1. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, officer of the Corporation, or any private individual, except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation affecting one or more of its purposes, and no member, trustee, officer of the Corporation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Corporation.
- 2. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in, including the publication or distribution of statements, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provisions 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, 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 V Dissolution

Upon 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, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal, state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes.

#### Article VI Manner of Selection

The selection of the board of directors shall be in accordance with the by-laws.

#### Article VI Initial Directors/Officers

The Board of Directors shall manage the business of the corporation. This corporation shall have three board members initially. The number of board members may be increased from time to

time by the bylaws, but shall never be less than three.

The names and addresses of the persons to serve on the Board of Directors until the first annual meeting of the corporation are:

Michelle Gayle 3994 Magellan Trail Tallahassee, Florida 32303 James Goodloe 457 San Martin Drive Tallahassee, Florida 32312

Andy Hindman 1691 Canyon Creek Lane Tallahassee, Florida 32310

Joseph Martin
2732 McFarlane Court
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

## Article VIII Initial Registered Agent

The Florida street address of the registered office is 2029 S. Adams Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, and the name of the initial registered agent is Calvin J. McFadden.

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.

Calvin J. McFadden

Article VII
Name and Address of Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Calvin J. McFadden 2029 S. Adams Street

Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Calvin J. McFadden

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have made and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation this 13th day of June, 2002.

Calvin J. McFadden

Registered Agent and Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEON

BEFORE ME the undersigned authority, personally appeared CALVIN J. MCFADDEN who acknowledged before me that he executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

Notary Public, State of Florida

Printed Name: Shows T. Gardner

