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SECRETARY OF STATE
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# Chief Emmanuel Udo Kalu Ukpai 4700 Northwest 12<sup>th</sup> Court

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33313 954-485-8742

Secretary of State Florida Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6237 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

RE: Incorporation

Please find enclosed the Articles of Incorporation of AKANU-UKWU FAMILY FRONT IN AMERICA, INC., and a Check in the amount of One Hundred Twenty Two Dollars and Fifty cents (\$122.50); being the incorporation fees.

Should you have any questions, you can reach me at 786-797-7177 (Day) or 954-485-8742 (Evening).

Thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Emmanuel U.K. Ukpai

(Incorporator)

# AKANU-UKWU FAMILY FRONT IN AMERICA, INC. (AFFIA)

(A Non-Profit Corporation)

# **Articles Of Incorporation**

## ARTICLE 1: NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of this corporation is:

AKANU-UKWU FAMILY FRONT IN AMERICA, INC.

# ARTICLE 2: DURATION OF CORPORATION

The duration of this Corporation is perpetual.

## ARTICLE 3: LOCATION OF CORPORATION

Its registered office in the State of Florida is to be located at 4700 Northwest 12<sup>th</sup> Court, in the city of Fort Lauderdale, County of Broward. The registered agent in charge thereof is Chief Emmanuel Udo Kalu Ukpai, at same address.

### ARTICLE 4: PURPOSE OF CORPORATION

The purpose for which the Akanu-Ukwu Family Front In America, Inc. is organized are:

- 1. Exclusively charitable, educational, scientific, and cultural, within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law; including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.
- 2. To promote and encourage the fostering of unity among the citizens of Akanu-Ohafia, in Abia State of Nigeria, both at home and abroad.
- 3. To promote and address the economic, educational, cultural, and social needs, and encourage the well-being of the citizens of Akanu-Ohafia, in the United States of America in particular, and world-wide in general.



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- 4. To cooperate with, and support the efforts of other organizations that share, promote, and subscribe to the views and interest of Akanu-Ohafia people both at home and abroad; and other such organizations that fit the category as described above.
- 5. No part of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officials, or any private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensations for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this Article.
- 6. 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 publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to any candidate for public office.
- 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- 8. Upon the 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, 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 so disposed of, shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation 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 5:**

The corporation shall not have any capital stock.

# ARTICLE 6: INCORPORATOR

#### Section 6.1:

The name and mailing address of the incorporator is as follows: Chief Emmanuel Udo Kalu Ukpai, 4700 NW 12<sup>th</sup> Court, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33313-6526, USA.

#### Section 6.2:

The powers of the incorporator are to terminate upon filing of the certificate of incorporation.

# ARTICLE 7: MEMBERSHIP

#### Section 7.1:

Membership shall be open to ALL PERSONS of Akanu-Ohafia origin (by virtue of birth, marriage (women only), and adoption), who are residing in the United States of America; as well as persons, groups and organizations of persons who share and subscribe to the views, interests, beliefs and concerns of the Akanu-Ohafia people, regardless of race, color, creed, religion, or national origin.

#### Section 7.2:

Classes of membership shall include:

- a. Active Member;
- b. Honorary; and
- c. Corporate (non-member groups & organizations)

#### Section 7.3:

An Active membership refers to a members who is in good standing with reference to his/her financial obligations to the Corporation, and attends all regular meetings, and gives moral support to ensure the growth and stability of the Corporation.

#### Section 7.4:

An Honorary or Corporate member shall constitute a person, group of persons, and/or organizations of persons, who share and subscribe to the views and interests of Akanu-Ukwu Family Front In America, Inc. An Honorary or Corporate member can be chosen by the Board of Directors to act on behalf of Akanu-Ukwu Family Front In America, to further its goals and objectives. A female married into the family of an Akanu-Ohafia male, shall have full membership rights and privileges, in accordance with Akanu-Ohafia customs and tradition. A male married into the family of an Akanu-Ohafia female shall hold Honorary membership. Honorary and Corporate members shall have no voting powers.

### ARTICLE 8: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### Section 8.1:

The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of Akanu-Ukwu Family Front In America, Inc., having full power to set policies and procedures, and ensure implementation of all such policies and procedures, including regular business.

#### Section 8.2:

The Board of Directors shall consist of the current Executive Committee and Ex-Officio members to be appointed by the President, and confirmed by the Board. The names and addresses of the current Board of Directors are as follows:

Chief Emmanuel U.K. Ukpai, 4700 NW 12th Ct., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33313.

Chief (Engr.) Okezie O. Imo, 6419 N. 51st Street, Tacoma, WA 98407.

Mrs. Roseleen Mba-Kalu, 7229 Belinger Ct., Springfield, VA 22150.

Ms. Nnennaya Kalu, P.O. Box 23036, Hollis, NY 11423.

Mr. Samuel U. Agwu, 3014 Wallace Avenue #4, Bronx, NY 10467.

Chief Obasi Mba Kalu, CPA, 5877 Monticello Rd. #301, Alexandria, VA 22303.

Mr. Chinenye Mbah, 808 Shawnee Dr. S/E, Salem, OR 97301.

Dr. J. Akuma-Kalu Njoku, 299 Westwood Ave., Bowling Green, KY 42103.

Mr. Udo Mba Kalu, CPA, 7229 Belinger Ct., Springfield, VA 22150.

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#### Section 8.3:

Other members shall be appointed to the Board on an as-need-be basis as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE 9: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

#### Section 9.1:

The Executive Committee shall consist of the elected officers of the organization.

#### Section 9.2:

The Executive Committee shall implement the policies and procedures of Akanu-Ukwu Family Front In America, Inc., as set by the Board of Directors, and shall execute the projects and activities of the Corporation, consistent with such set policies and procedures.

## ARTICLE 10: OFFICERS AND ELECTION

#### Section 10.1:

#### Officers:

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Welfare/Public Relations Officer, Chief Whip, and such other officers as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine. Vacant Offices shall be filled by an appointment by the Board of Directors, and ratified by the General Assembly.

#### Section 10.2:

#### Election:

The President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Welfare/Public Relations Officer, and Chief Whip shall be elected by the general meeting by simple majority.

#### Section 10.3:

#### Other Officers:

The President shall appoint other officers as needed, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors.

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#### Section 10.4:

The following are the names and addresses of the current officers of Akanu-Ukwu Family Front In America, Inc.;

**President:** 

Chief Emmanuel U.K. Ukpai

4700 NW 12th Ct., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33313.

V/President:

Chief (Engr.) Okezie O. Imo

6419 N. 51<sup>st</sup> Street, Tacoma, WA 98407.

Secretary:

Mrs. Roseleen Mba-Kalu

7229 Belinger Ct., Springfield, VA 22150.

Assist. Secretary: Ms. Nnennaya Kalu

P.O. Box 23036, Hollis, NY 11423.

Treasurer:

Chief Obasi Mba Kalu, CPA

5877 Monticello Rd. #301, Alexandria, VA 22303.

Fin. Secretary:

Mr. Samuel U. Agwu

3014 Wallace Avenue #4, Bronx, NY 10467.

Welfare/PR Officer: Mr. Chinenye Mbah

808 Shawnee Dr. S/E, Salem, OR 97301.

# **ARTICLE 11:** AMENDMENTS

#### Section 11.1:

Any part of these Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any scheduled meeting of the Executive Committee at which a quorum is present, by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of such amendment has been given to all members at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

Adopted by the Board of Directors this

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# **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT**

Having been named Registered Agent for the above-stated corporation, at the place designated in these Articles of Incorporation, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Law, relative to keeping open said office.

Emmanuel U.K. Ukpai

(Incorporator)