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

SUBJECT: The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation, Inc. (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 :				
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FROM: Charles Dorsey Name (Printed or typed)				
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Jim Smith Secretary of State

November 25, 2002

CHARLES DORSEY 1101 1/2 S. RIO GRANDE AVE. ORLANDO, FL 32805

SUBJECT: THE B.L.E.S.S FOUNDATION, INC. Ref. Number: W02000033476

We have received your document for THE B.L.E.S.S FOUNDATION, INC., However, the document has not been filed and is being returned for the following:

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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Loria Poole Corporate Specialist New Filings Section

Letter Number: 902A00063444

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

The B.L.E.S.S Foundation Incorporated

Black Leaders Extending Support for Success

A Religious Organization, With A Financial Based Concept



A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned incorporator, in order to form a non-profit corporation under the laws of the state of Florida, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ONE: The name of this corporation is The B.L.E.S.S Foundation Incorporated

Two: The name and address of the registered agent of this corporation are:

Charles B. Dorsey 1101 % S. Rio Grande Avenue,

Orlando, Florida 32805

THREE: The specific purposes for which this corporation is organized are:

Mission Statement

The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated is a religious organization whose purposes are for the financial improvement of black people in America. The Financial Empowerment Movement Plan is to develop a self-help system so that black Americans can be apart of an organization that will financially empower them. This will be done with the support of the black americans with financial and spiritual influence to endorse the Financial Empowerment Movement's purpose. The movement's programs will allow every qualified contributor the ability to take advantage of financial opportunities while at the same time set standards of what is expected of our peers. The movement's initial programs: The Destiny Program: will focus on purchasing undeveloped land, community development, and financial stability for qualified contributors. The Legacy Program: this program will focus on awarding business grants for the creation of small & large capital businesses to qualified contributors. The foundation's religious views are that of most religions with the basic principals of GOD, the belief in a single ultimate spiritual creator. The belief in Christianity, Islamic, Catholic, and etc., will not be judged by the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation as of who is the greater, but on the principles of that religion that is commanded by GOD. The plan is not to change any religious views, but to respect their views and bring Africans in America together for a common financial goal. The Financial Empowerment Movement System, is the simple financial assimilation of a group with the same focus and determination to improve the financial prospects of Africans in America! The financial Empowerment Movement's programs are set up so that generation after generation may benefit from this movement. This movement will create the next generation of financial black leaders. This is a faith-based plan to create financially stable communities and business opportunities.

Veneration

Veneration is both the feeling and worshipful expression of respect, love, and awe. This will be the name used (Veneration) to recognize the Financial Empowerment Movement's contributors and leaders. The movement's programs will be focused towards Veneration Contributors. Veneration Contributor requirements: Must be of African ancestry or have a child of African ancestry to qualify. This also means our Latino Africans from the Caribbean, South and Central America. Slavery was a global market and a language cannot eliminate your rightful ancestry. An unofficial estimate of at least one-third or more of the Hispanic population in North America are of African ancestry. The movement accepts Native North American Indians as unofficial members, which will allow acceptance for all benefits and programs of the organization. The Financial Empowerment Movement will be honored to invite Native North American Indians to participate as qualified contributors. If you've decided to be apart of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation, then you understand the religious position of the organization. That no religion dominates another, but that our common principles that there is only one GOD, one universal spirit that creates and takes life itself, is what associates the religions. The belief that GOD has sent many messengers to his people in different languages and cultures, which may interpret the word of GOD within theses boundaries.

Families who have adopted or have full custody of a black child, but aren't of African ancestry themselves can take full advantage of the organization's benefits and programs.

We require Veneration Contributors to hold certain characteristics as self-loving, loyal, motivated and a family oriented people. The ideal person is someone who understands that you get out of life, what you put into life. Because life is a process that must be set up as so in order to get the most out of it. Veneration contributors will be classified as non-members or unofficial members, unless specified otherwise by the Board of Directors of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated. This only refers that contributors do not have any voting rights pertaining to executive decision making, unless specified otherwise by the board of directors of the organization. The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation's program and benefits will be for its Veneration Contributors. As supporters/contributors of the Financial Empowerment Movement, it's understood of the weekly donation to the foundation. These contributed funds will be used to initiate the movements programs.

What the Financial Empowerment Movement is proposing isn't out of the ordinary of what is done each week within religious organizations. Financial request are asked of you each week at the church you attend, which is correctly done to support God's institution of faith. Make no mistake, this does not suggest that this practice shouldn't be done. The church provides God's people with the spiritual blessings, and this foundation will provide God's people with the financial blessings of God's goodness. This is God's plan for Africans in America, to have financial blessings for those who have faith in his messenger. The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation is a religious organization, with a financial based concept.

The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation a non-membership organization, unless membership status is specified by the board of directors of the, B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated. This only refers that contributors do not have any voting rights pertaining to executive decision making, unless specified otherwise by the board of directors of the organization. The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation's program and benefits will be for its Veneration Contributors.

The Financial Empowerment Movement's main source of its promotional success will come from what the organization will call (Veneration Leaders). The Veneration Leaders are the Africans in America who has overcome their adversities and now hold a financial, spiritual, or public influence within the African communities. The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated wants to take advantage of what the organization considers the strength of African Americans. This strength is our power to influence, making people aware of our presence, and setting trends and styles. The Financial Empowerment Movement's request of Veneration Leaders to help promote and endorse its cause to the Africans of America. For this assistance Veneration Leaders may receive substantial benefits within the boundaries of each program. The Veneration Leader's will not hold any electoral or executive voting rights within the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated, unless specified by the directors of the organization.

Financial Leaders- A black individual or company of immense wealth (sports, entertainment, business, etc.)

Public Leaders- A black individual or company who is a public figure in radio, television, or newsprint media vendors.

The Destiny Program

The Destiny Program will primarily focus on purchasing and transforming undeveloped into a residential community to accommodate official and unofficial members of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated. This development process will be initiated in twenty-five cities with the highest support of unofficial members. Security and maintenance will be the key ingredients in the development of these communities. This program will also provide Veneration Contributors with an opportunity to receive funds for a down payment on a home, school tuition, or retirement savings (55yrs or older). The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation's directors will appoint a staff of business consultants, real estate attorneys, contractors, and etc., to assist in establishing the proper steps to take in initiating this program.

The Destiny Program's goals are to develop a drug-free community and to establish financial opportunities for Veneration Contributors of the foundation. The initial residential development on the community's land will be unit apartments for the Destiny Program's (Live & Save Plan). The Live & Save Plan gives Veneration Contributors financial opportunities by providing a system where contributors can live in the program's unit apartments on a minimum lease term. At the completion of the lease term the Veneration Contributor may receive seventy percent of the funds paid into the lease agreement. This money may be used for these specific purposes, a down payment on a home, school tuition, or retirement savings (55yrs or older). This program is focused on the black community's most important issues, single parenting, education and family stability. The program will put priority on single parents, married couples, and the elderly. The Financial Empowerment Movement wants to create a community where the majority of the businesses within the community are black owned. This will be a community with a zero tolerance for drug solicitation, drug usage, and pity seekers. This will be a community with high values on men being the provider for the family. A community, that will have control of their destiny, a community, that will leave a legacy to be followed.

The Destiny Program: Live & Save Plan

60%-Rewarded for the completion of lease term. For either a down payment on a home, school tuition, or retirement savings (55 years or older)

40%- These funds will be used: 1. Community Security, 2._Community Maintenance, 3. Community Landscaping (creation of parks and lakes for an animal friendly community), 4. Community Tutoring Centers, 5.Community Transportation System, 6. Medical Services.

The funds not used will go into a reserve savings account for future community use.

The Legacy Program

The Legacy Program will focus its efforts on building employment opportunities for Africans in America. This program will do this by awarding small and large capital business grants to Veneration contributors for the purpose of increasing the African owned businesses. The philosophy of this is to create a balance of employment opportunities, but at the same time sparking the black business economy. The Legacy Program encourages its Veneration Contributors to apply for business grants in order to startup new or upgrade a current business. The program is looking for applicants with professional experience in all fields of business, entrepreneurs, people of creative minds with innovative ideas and inventions. Africans in America are in desperate need of black ownership in franchising, distribution, real estate, manufacturing, importing & exporting. This will be the program's main priority when awarding business grants to its Veneration Contributors. A Board of Commissioners will be appointed by the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation's, Board of Directors. The commissioners will consist of black scholars from the finance, economic, marketing/management, and business fields. These commissioners will review and make recommendations on which applications are accepted for a business grant to the Board of Directors of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation. Contingent on the program reaching its structured goal,

this will enable the program to award a minimum average of one hundred thousand dollars per business grant. This is not an exact amount; some business grants will be more or less. Each program of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated will rotate in receiving eighty-five percent of the contributing funds of the organization. At this average it will allow for about an average of eighty-five hundred business grants for each rotating year. Distribution of business grants will be done equally to the ratio of each city's Veneration Contributors.

1% B.L.E.S.S. Networking System's Donation-These funds will be used to develop bookstores, cultural museums, libraries, and educational leagues within the Destiny Program's communities.

The B.L.E.S.S. Networking System

The B.L.E.S.S. Networking System will consist of awarded business grantees and any businesses interested in membership into this system. The purpose of this system will be to increase the value of the black economy in America. As a member of this network, business owners will be required to offer initial business dealings to internal businesses within the networking system. If these businesses are unable to come to a fair arrangement amongst them selves and arbitration has no solution. The network will fully support any business dealings outside the network after the required initial internal offer has been met. Businesses not abiding by these regulations may face penalty from the network. The network will be organized into groups of commonly associated business. This business network will mainly consist of manufacturing, distribution, import/export, and innovative & creative minded businesses. Members of the B.L.E.S.S. Networking System will have the option as members of this network to either annually donate one hundred thousand dollars or 1% of the gross profits for that year of the company. Whichever amount is the smallest will be acceptable. Also, the B.L.E.S.S. Networking System will require its members to offer 5-10% employment opportunities for Veneration Contributors and their immediate families.

The B.L.E.S.S. Networking System will be a powerful tool for Africans in America. This system can not only be a useful business to business association for black-owned businesses. But it will also be a tool to initiate business boycotts towards serious civil rights issues that the Board of Directors of B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated deems necessary. A business boycott may deem necessary by the directors of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated only by majority rule, against a corporation or a group. This network will request that our business members will either join an assist in convincing the corporation or group of the civil rights violation that has occurred and correctly reverse whatever the issue may be or eliminate all business association with this corporation or group. The power of one united business network with the same goal and purpose is greater, than that of a single uninvolved individual business. This networking system will work to provide new venture avenues in order that our business members may increase their profits during flourishing and distressful times.

Percentage Discount Plan

The Percentage Discount Plan is a function of the B.L.E.S.S. Networking System that will be mainly for the consumer retail and consumer service businesses. Businesses that fit under the retail and service category will provide purchasing incentives to Veneration Contributors of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated. An unspecified percentage discount will be offered to Veneration Contributors on the purchase of goods and services from businesses within the B.L.E.S.S. Networking System that fit under the retail and service category. Percentages will be set by the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation's, directors. The foundation will keep track of the comparable business prices for the protection from price hiking.

The foundation will focus the Destiny Program's Purchasing & Community Development on twenty-five cities with the highest Veneration Contributors. In these twenty-five cities the foundation will also focus awarding the Legacy Program's Business Grants to its Veneration Contributors.

The Financial Empowerment Movement's system for distribution of contributed funds to these programs will be biyearly.

The process will go as followed:

The first year, 85% of the contributor's donated funds will go toward initiating the Destiny Program's Purchasing & Community Development.

The second, year 85% of the contributor's donated funds will go towards the Legacy Program's Business Grants.

This program rotation will be done continuously, year-after-year. Also, this will allow the foundation to focus a 100% of the organizations time & effort on a single program for that year.

The purchasing of land will be worked to fit the foundation's program budget. Financing will be the main focus in negotiation when purchasing land.

In the development of the land the focus will be put on inter-dealing with companies within the B.L.E.S.S. Networking System. This will be stressed in order to control cost and provide internal support.

The Financial Empowerment Movement has a simple financial theory.

A minimum small dollar times mass numbers = A STRONG BLACK ECONOMY.

The projected first three years of the Financial Empowerment Movement's contributors goal is 1.2 million. Now, times this projected goal by a minimum per week. And this is how the programs will receive there operating funds.

The movements initial weekly contributor minimum of \$7.70 per week.

The estimated progression of this movement will be as followed: 1-3 years = 1.2 million Veneration Contributors

4-6 years = 2.5 million Veneration Contributors

7-9 years = 3.5 million Veneration Contributors

10-12 years = 5.0 million Veneration Contributors

The numbers and time periods are estimates only and may changed according to the success of the Financial Empowerment Movement.

The Financial Empowerment Movement is committed for long term for this cause.

The contributed funds percentage toward the foundation's programs: 85%

The contributed funds percentage toward the foundation's business expense: 10%

The contributed funds percentages toward "Miscellaneous Expense" to be determined by the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation's, Board of Directors: 5%

Veneration Contributor's Trust-The B.L.E.S.S Foundation's contributing funds will be put in a community trust fund that will secure 85% of the contributed funds. By stipulating this in the Bylaws of the trust fund it will protect any extraction of funds over 15% from being used for anything other than the purposes laid out in the Bylaws & Article of Incorporation of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation Incorporated. The distribution rights will be the equivalent of the organization's 85% rule. What this infers is that the directors, officers, or members will be allowed to withdraw only up to 15% of the funds for the organization's expenses and bonuses. This protects the misuse of the funds, 85% of the funds before distribution must have a pre-determined destination that is consistent

with the foundation's program purpose for that rotating year. The B.L.E.S.S. Foundation will insure the members and contributors that the procedures will be enforced to the fullest extent. The directors and officers of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation will create an annual financial inventory report of every transaction of this organization pertaining to it programs and its purposes. This report will be issued at the end of the fiscal year by mail, email, or personal carrier of the organization to every member and contributor.

Open Account-This will allow Veneration Contributors the opportunity to be apart of the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation's benefits and programs. But, if a contributor decides to void their association with the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation, that contributor will be able to receive the funds donated excluding any discounts or benefits received for that year, only if this is done before the determined date of extraction. The Veneration Contributor's donations will be held without use until a determined date of extraction. From Jan. 1 to Dec. 30, will be the start of the input £ output dates.

These percentages will be honored to its fullest extent, this percentage quote may only be amended with the unanimous vote of the board of directors and by inform the Veneration Contributors before this go into effect. This will allow any dissatisfied contributors the opportunity to eliminate their association with the Financial Empowerment Movement.

Hispanic-Americans- 36-38 million people, Latino-Africans make up 1/3 of that total which is about 12.5 million

Latino Africans-12.5 million

American Africans- 36 million people

Native Americans Indians - 2 million people

Potential Veneration Contributors- 50 million people

Half of this 50 million would be adults, so 25 million would be the market.

The foundation wants to initially start with 5% of this total which is about 1 out 20 potential Veneration Contributors and gradually progress with time. The plan is to create a generation to generation of new thinkers.

These percentages are contingent on the Financial Empowerment Movement reaching its annual goals.

This corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 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, corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

FOUR: The number of initial directors of the corporation is three. The name and address are as follows:

- 1. (Chairman) Charles B. Dorsey 1101 % S. Rio Grande Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32805
- 2. Charlene Dorsey 1101 % S. Rio Grande Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32805
- 3. Shirley Williams 1101 % S. Rio Grande Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32805

FIVE: The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is (are):

Charles B. Dorsey 1101 1/2 S. Rio Grande Ave. Orlando, Florida 32805

SIX: The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual.

SEVEN: The classes, rights, privileges, qualifications, and obligations of members of this corporation are as follows: This corporation shall not have any official membership classes, unless specified by the chairperson of the organization. There will be Veneration Contributors who will qualify for all the foundation's programs and benefits. Veneration Contributors are encouraged to donate on a minimum weekly plan to maintain their (Veneration) status for the foundation's programs and benefits. Any person who qualifies under the veneration guidelines in the Bylaws of this foundation shall become a Veneration Contributor upon payment of the donation to maintain status. Weekly donations shall be consistent with reaching the foundation's annual financial goals. The method and time of payment of donations shall be determined, and may be changed, from time to time, by the board of directors. Veneration Contributors are not members of the corporation, but are loyal supporters that believe in the corporations cause and purpose. The Veneration Contributor will have the right to apply for the B.L.E.S.S. Foundation's programs and benefits.

EIGHT: Any additional provisions for the operation of the corporation are as follows:

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or shall be distributed equally to the members and there families for the purposes of receiving a higher education at a historically black college or university.

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code), and this 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.

No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that this corporation 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 these Articles.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or (2) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

In any taxable year in which this corporation is a private foundation as described in Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, the corporation 1) shall distribute its income for said period at such time and manner as not to subject it to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code; 2) shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code; 3) shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; 4) shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code; and 5) shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Nine: Terms of Conditions

The Chairperson of the Board of Directors pit the BLE.S.S. Foundation (necrporated will had an instificing position as head of this organization, The chairperson will had State that will destinate having only come if by resignation, quart, or liqual conduct that may put the organization is it at rise, done by the chairperson. A devictor effect of the blade of the BLE.S.S. Foundation (incorporated may only come if by resignation, quart, or liqual conduct that may put the organization is it at rise, done by the chairperson. A devictor effect of the BLE.S.S. Foundation (incorporated will serve a term of there year, but will have be right to respon with both proper through confidence. In the section or re-section of directors, each devictor, such devictor, and the proper through confidence. In the section or re-section of directors, each devictor, such devictor, such devictor, and the proper through the proper throu

All peritions will be completed part-time until the D.L.T.S.F. Foundation Incorporated has begun the initial proposed four be presente the organization. Dyon initiating the tear, such position will be efficiably contident full-time peritions. Foundation are not provided and are committed at voluntary states. This offer may only be withdrawn up to the position becoming full-time by the behingerous of the expenditation for any reason characterist.

The undersigned incorporator hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.

Incorporator/ Registered Agent

Having been name as Registered Agent for the above said Corporation, by signing above I hereby accept the duties and responsibilitiess as Registered Agent.

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SECRETARY OF STATE