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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: Hillsborough Caribbean Social & Cultural Assoc., Inc.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

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FROM: Barbara Twine-Thomas

Name (Printed or typed)

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Address

Tampa, FL 33602

City, State & Zip

813/229-9300

Daytime Telephone number

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

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
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SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

**HILLSBOROUGH CARIBBEAN SOCIAL & CULTURAL ASSOC., INC.**

**A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

These Articles of Incorporation are signed and acknowledged by the incorporators for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation under the provisions of the Florida Non-Profit Corporation Act, as follows:

**ARTICLE I**

The name of this corporation is: Hillsborough Caribbean Social & Cultural Assoc., Inc.

**ARTICLE II**

The initial principal office and the registered office address of the corporation shall be:

205 N. Lincoln Avenue  
Tampa, Florida 33609

**ARTICLE III**

The term of the corporation is unlimited and perpetual. In the event of dissolution, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation to any organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or religious purposes.

- I. The purpose or purposes of this corporation are as follows:
  - a. To establish and advance social and cultural activities of Caribbean and American residents in the Hillsborough/Tampa Region and the Caribbean through promoting social events, networking with other Caribbean and American organizations, establishing academic scholarships for deserving students, providing humanitarian assistance for the needy in our community and abroad, and supporting educational programs.
  - b. To operate exclusively for charitable, literary and educational purposes within the meaning of the Florida Non-Profit Corporation Act;

- c. To provide opportunities for people to improve the quality of their lives through scholarships, counseling programs, and support programs that develop a desire for lifelong pursuit of worthy personal goals.
  - d. To develop an outreach program, enriching lives of students by providing diversified activities and information pertinent to their development and to endeavor to utilize the skills of school-aged children to enhance the lives of others.
  - e. To enter into any kind of activity, and to make, perform and carry out contracts of any kind, in connection with, and necessary or related to, the accomplishment of the foregoing purposes of the corporation.
2. The corporation shall be empowered to receive and administer funds for the aforesaid purpose or purposes and for no other purpose, and to that end, to take and hold by contract, agreement, devise, bequest, gift, purchase, lease, either absolutely or in trust, for such objects and without limitations as to the amount or value, except such limitations, if any, as may be imposed by law; to sell, convey and dispose of any such property, and to deal with such property for any for the aforementioned purposes, without limitation, except such limitation, if any, as may be contained in the instrument under which such property is received; and to exercise any, all and every power to do all lawful acts necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes consistent with the provisions of the Florida Non-Profit Corporation Act, but not any other power.
3. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the 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 this Article III. 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 any candidate for public office.

## **ARTICLE V**

The initial registered agent of this corporation shall be Loette Cox, and the initial registered office of this corporation shall be 205 N. Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33609. This corporation shall have the right to change such registered agent and registered office as provided by law.

## **ARTICLE VI**

The corporation shall not have any members.

## **ARTICLE VII**

The name and address of the incorporators are as follows:

President: Jennifer Hercules  
3913 Walnut Street  
Tampa, Florida 33607

Secretary: Loette Cox  
205 N. Lincoln Avenue  
Tampa, Florida 33609

Treasurer: James W. DuVerney  
5608 Shady Creek Dr.  
Valrico, Florida 33594

## **ARTICLE VIII**

1. The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors who shall be elected as provided by the Bylaws.

2. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of 13 directors. Three of the Directors' names and addresses are:

President: Jennifer Hercules  
3913 Walnut Street  
Tampa, Florida 33607

Secretary: Loette Cox  
205 N. Lincoln Avenue  
Tampa, Florida 33609

Treasurer: James W. DuVerney  
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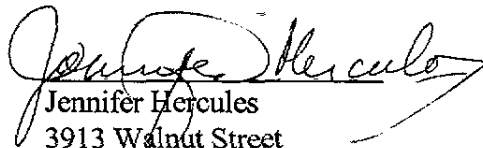
Other Directors shall include any other officers and Members at Large, but shall not exceed a total of 13.

3. A director may be removed from office for good cause shown prior to the expiration of his or her term upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the directors in office other than the director(s) whose removal is under consideration. For purposes hereof, "good cause shown" shall mean:

- (i) disability or incapacity as determined by a physician acceptable to the Board;
- (ii) fraud, theft, embezzlement or misappropriation;
- (iii) conviction of a felony or crime involving moral ineptitude; or
- (iv) failure to carry out or comply with duly adopted resolutions of the Board, these Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws or the Directors Service Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the incorporator has hereunto signed these Articles of Incorporation, on this 23rd day of January, 2003.


INCORPORATOR:

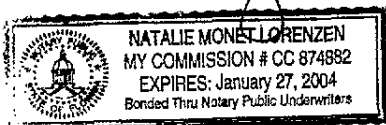
  
Jennifer Hercules  
3913 Walnut Street  
Tampa, Florida 33607

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY HILLSBOROUGH

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public authorized to take acknowledgments in the State and County set forth above, personally appeared Jennifer Hercules, known to be and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and she acknowledged before me that she executed those Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and seal in the State and County above, this 23rd day of January, 2003.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida  
My commission expires:



**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF  
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the corporation is:

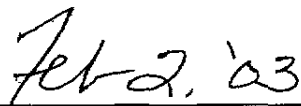
**Hillsborough Caribbean Social & Cultural Assoc., Inc.**

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

**Loette Cox  
Registered Agent  
Hillsborough Caribbean Social & Cultural Assoc., Inc.  
205 N. Lincoln Avenue  
Tampa, Florida 33609**

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate. 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 statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.*

  
(SIGNATURE)

  
(DATE)