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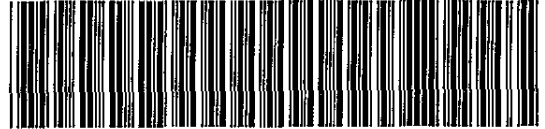
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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
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SUBJECT: NAOMI CENTER OF HOPE, 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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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: MARIA BENNETT  
Name (Printed or typed)

401 Executive Center Drive Apt. J103  
Address

West Palm Beach FL 33401  
City, State & Zip

361-863-7314  
Daytime Telephone number

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

***ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION***  
***OF***  
***NAOMI CENTER OF HOPE, INC.***  
(A Corporation Not-for-Profit)

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a corporation for charitable and religious purposes, under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes does agree to the following.

**ARTICLE I -- NAME**

The name of this corporation is:

**NAOMI CENTER OF HOPE, INC.**

**ARTICLE II -- PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business and mailing address of incorporation shall be:

The location of this corporation shall be at:

217 South Lake Avenue, Pahokee FL 33476

**ARTTICLES III -- PURPOSE(S)**

The specific purpose(s) for which the corporation is organized is (are):

The object, business and purpose of this corporation shall be devoted to promoting a spirit of religious brotherhood and a closer association between the members of organization, and to uphold and maintain the Constitution of the United States of America and all the subdivisions there under. To serve and uplift our community, county, state, and country. To strengthen the unstable by providing and delivering materials, training and other helps based on the needs of the people. Our soul purpose is a holistic approach to develop educational and artistic programs designed to

mold individuals into morally responsible citizens in body, mind, and spirit. To create a forum that will effectively provide an avenue for exploring, developing and harnessing the potentials that exist within our youth and community. To redirect angry unproductive and negative behavior, replacing it with a positive life changing direction resulting in prepared, confident, and emotionally well-balanced people. To provide a wide variety of well-planned and professionally directed programs, such as workshops, training and other activities designed to interrupt patterns of poverty, criminal behavior, and low self-esteem. Also building for self-improvement and development of a healthy attitude mentally, physically, and morally. To off set the negative environment with a positive action aimed to prevent crime and build productive citizens. To move forward as an Organization through which a sustainable process of improving the social and economic quality of life, also teaching the same to our individual members and to the community at large. Our core issues will be HIV / AIDS Prevention and Education, Teen Pregnancy Prevention, Sex and abstinence education, Community Redevelopment focused on housing structure also spiritual and physical redevelopment and creating new businesses, Economic Empowerment through wealth development education and heritage preservation. Also Education, Public Health, Safety and Human Services, Job Services, Economic Development, Community Redevelopment, Homeless Shelters, Senior Services, Day Care Facilities, Youth Programs, Performing Arts, Music, and to create capital resources private and public. To safeguard and transmit to posterity, purity and righteousness of individual freedom, and assist in charitable work of any nature deemed beneficial and to the best interests of the order and to society as a whole and to raise funds for caring the same into effect in any manner allowed by the constitution and the Bylaws of the order permitted under the laws of the State of Florida and The Constitution of the United States of America.

## **RECOGNITION OF EXEMPTION FOR TAX EXEMPT STATUS**

A.) The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, Religious, and Educational purposes under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

B.) No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, 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 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, section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

C.) Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 © (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

#### **ARTICLE IV-- MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTOR**

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is:

The day to day affairs of the corporation are to be managed by the appointed Executive Director. The President Director, and Chairman Director will also be responsible for the Corporate affairs of the organization. These will be initially the three directors. The membership of this corporation shall constitute all persons hereinafter named as such other persons of good moral character, from time to time hereafter may become a member. Members of the Board of Directors shall be members nominated and approved by a majority vote of those members. The number of directors shall be increased from time to time, by the bylaws but shall never be less than three. The business affairs of the Board of Directors shall manage this corporation. These members are elected and hold office in accordance with the bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE V--THE STREET ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED AGENT IS:**

The name and Florida Street address of the initial registered agent is:

**Maria A. Bennett 401 Executive Center Drive Apt. J103 WPB FL. 33401**  
**I am familiar with and accept the appointment of registered agent.**

**The names and address of the agent who are to serve as Directors and Officers of the Corporation for the ensuing year or until the election of the corporation is:**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>OFFICE</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
<b>Maria A. Bennett</b>	<b><u>Executive Director</u></b>	<b>401 Executive Center Drive Apt. J103 WPB FL. 33401</b>
<b>Carlisle Bennett</b>	<b><u>President Director</u></b>	<b>401 Executive Center Drive Apt. J103 WPB FL. 33401</b>
<b>Delores B. Powell</b>	<b><u>Chairman Director</u></b>	<b>P.O. Box 524 Pahokee Florida. 33476</b>
<b>Christina B. Powell</b>	<b><u>Treasure</u></b>	<b>604 Runyon Village Apt. B Belle Glade, FL. 33403</b>
<b>Mila Ivory</b>	<b><u>Secretary</u></b>	<b>367 J Malone Drive Pahokee, FL. 33476</b>
<b>Cheryl B. Powell</b>	<b><u>Chairperson</u></b>	<b>240 Bilbao Street Royal Palm W.P.B Florida 33411</b>
<b>Carol Powell</b>	<b><u>Chairperson</u></b>	<b>300 SW 77Terr. North Lauderdale, Florida 33068</b>
<b>Michelle Singletary</b>	<b><u>Chairperson</u></b>	<b>763 Waddell Way Pahokee, FL. 33476</b>
<b>Tracey Stone</b>	<b><u>Chairperson</u></b>	<b>1189 Lake Victoria Drive Apt. K WPB FL. 33411</b>

## **ARTICLE VI -- BY-LAWS**

Section 1. The Board of Directors of this corporation may provide such By-Laws that conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they may deem necessary from time to time.

Section 2. Upon proper notice the By-Laws may be amended, altered or rescinded by a majority vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or any special meeting or any called for that purpose.

## **ARTICLE VII-- TERM OF EXISTENCE**

**This corporation is to exist perpetually.**

## **ARTICLE VIII -- DISSOLUTION**

In the event of dissolution the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations which they are exempt as organizations described in sections 501 (c) (3) and 170-(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding sections of any prior or future law or to the Federal, State or local government for exclusive public purpose.

## **ARTICLE IX INCORPORATOR**

The **name and address** of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are:  
**Maria A. Bennett 401 Executive Center Drive Apt. J103 WPB FL. 33401.**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I, the undersigned incorporator, and registered agent are familiar with and accept the appointment of registered agent, and have here unto set our Hands and seals this 12, Day of February 2003, for purposes of forming this Corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

  
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Maria A. Bennett - Incorporator

  
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Maria A. Bennett - Register/Agent

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