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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE TATE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CENTER INC.**

In compliance with the laws of the State of Florida, the undersigned do hereby voluntarily associate for the purpose of forming a corporation not-for-profit for the purposes and with powers set forth herein.

ARTICLE I - NAME

THE TATE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CENTER INC.,
hereinafter referred to as the "**Corporation.**"

ARTICLE II - REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the Registered Agent of the Association and the Principal office address are :

**DR. ELIZA B. TATE
13323 N.W. 157TH AVENUE
POB 327
ALACHUA FLORIDA 32616**

ARTICLE III - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation shall be in Alachua, Florida; but the Corporation may maintain offices and transact business in, within the State of Florida, or any other county in the State of Florida, as may from time to time be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV - PURPOSE AND POWERS

The purposes of which this Corporation is formed are exclusively charitable, educational, social and economic. And will consist of the following:

A. The Specific and primary purposes are:

Goal 1: To provide the highest quality standard of service and relief to the Families and Residents of the community enabling them to improve and enrich their lives in the activity of creating a brighter future

Goal 2: To provide Employability skills and Life Mastering Skills Training for area Residents including at risk Youth by creating an after school Tutoring and Mentoring program that includes a computer Laboratory

Goal 3: To provide Recreation, Nutrition and Health needs through the various activities of the established Food Pantry including the Continuing Care for the Elderly fostering an interaction with the Youth of the community.

B.

(1) To raise the economic, educational and social levels of the residents of Alachua County, including members of the moderate, low, and very low income community, who are substantially unemployed, underemployed, or whose income is below federal poverty guidelines, to foster and promote community-wide interest and concern for the problems of said residents to the end that (a) educational and economic opportunities may be expanded; (b) sickness, poverty, crime, and environmental degradation may be lessened; and (c) racial tensions, prejudice, and discrimination, economic and otherwise, any be eliminated; and (d) need for establishing and fostering additional availability of affordable housing.

(2) To expand the opportunities available to said residents and groups to own, manage, and operate business enterprises in economically depressed areas; to assist said residents and groups in developing entrepreneurial and management skills necessary for the successful operation of business enterprises; and to assist said residents and groups in obtaining financial support from other sources.

(3) To expand opportunities available to said residents and groups to obtain adequate low-cost housing accommodation by constructing, rehabilitating, and providing decent, safe, and sanitary housing for persons and families of low-income who other wise would not be able to find or afford a suitable place to live. It is this purpose of the Corporation thereby to relieve the poor, distressed, underprivileged and indigent by enabling them to secure the basic human needs of decent shelter and to thus lessen the burdens of government and promote the social welfare. To provide such housing through rehabilitation of existing substandard buildings and constructions of new facilities in the place of blighted structures or blighted vacant sites for the purpose of combating the deterioration of the community and contributing to its physical improvements.

(4) To aid, support and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes, no part of the net earnings of which endures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is for carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

(5) To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attaining of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly, and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organization of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments or agencies.

C.

In furtherance, but not in limitation, of the foregoing charitable, educational and scientific purposes, the Corporation shall have the following powers:

(1) To solicit, collect and receive money and other assets, and to administer funds and contributions received by grant, gift, deed, bequest or devise, and otherwise to acquire money, securities, property, rights and services of every kind and description, and to hold, invest, expend, contribute, use, sell or otherwise dispose of any money, securities, property, rights or services so acquired for the purpose above mentioned.

(2) To borrow money, and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue bonds, debentures, promissory notes, and other corporate obligations for monies borrowed, or in payment for property acquired or for any of the purposes of the Corporation, and to secure payment of any such obligation by mortgage, pledge, deed indenture agreement or other instrument or trust, or by other lien upon, assignment of or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property, rights or privileges of the Corporation.

(3) To invest and reinvest its funds in such mortgages, bonds, notes, debentures, shares, of preferred and common stock, and any other securities of any kind whatsoever, and property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, all as the Corporation's Board of Directors shall deem advisable and as may be permitted by law.

(4) To engage in activity of operation business ventures for the purposes of providing job training, employment services, and managerial development opportunities to said residents for the charitable purpose of fathering the economic development of the community.

(5) To hire and fire employees and to contract for outside services at the will of the Corporation.

(6) To engage in any and all activities will directly or indirectly improve the welfare and economic conditions of said residents and groups.

(7) To exercise all rights and powers conferred upon corporations formed under the General Nonprofit Corporation Law of the state of Florida provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in any activities or exercise any powers, including those specifically mentioned herein, that are not in furtherance of the specific and primarily charitable, educational and scientific purposes of the Corporation.

(8) The operation of said Corporation shall also include the concerns of:

- A. Transportation
- B. Historical Preservation
- C. Housing (land acquisitions, new constructions, renovations, vouchers, subsidies, infrastructures, planning and maintenance.)
- D. Economic development - Business planning, and Start-up counseling, etc.
- E. Consumer Credit and Financial Counseling
- F. Social Services Referrals
- G. Legal Services Referrals
- H. Education and Research

C. All of the foregoing purposes and powers shall be exercised exclusively for charitable and educational purposes in such manner that the Corporation shall qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as it is currently and shall hereafter be in force and effect.

ARTICLE V - MEMBERSHIP

- a. Any person, over the age of eighteen shall have the right to be a Member of the Corporation's Board of Directors.
- b. The authorized number, if any, and qualifications of Members of the Corporation, the different class of memberships, if any, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of Members and their liabilities to dues and assessments and the method shall be as set forth in the By-Laws.
- c. At least one-third of the members are persons chosen in accordance with democratic selection procedures adequate to assure that they are representatives of the poor in the area served.

ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The number of Directors shall not be less than three (3); provided however that the Board of Directors may, from time to time increase or decrease the number of Directors, so long as the number of directors is divisible by three (3). The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the initial capacity of Directors until the selection and qualification of their successors are:

President

Dr. Eliza B. Tate
P.O. Box 327
Alachua FL, 32616

- Vice President

Craig Tate
5777 Oak Lake Trail
Oviedo, Fl. 32785

Secretary

Deborah Stephens
POB 1083
Alachua, Fl. 32616

-Treasurer

Gwendolyn McKeever
POB 1732
Alachua, Fl. 32616

-Board Member/Consultant

Dr. Belinda Mayes
1197 East Resident Street
Albany, Georgia 31705

The board of directors is elected at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS

The names of the initial officers of this Corporation are identical with the Board of Directors

ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATOR

The name and mailing address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation

**Dr. Eliza B. Tate
P.O. Box 327
Alachua FL, 32616**

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority vote at the annual meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the organization, 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 disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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.

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ALACHUA

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the state and county named above to take acknowledgements, personally appeared DR. ELIZA B. TATE to me known to be the person described as Incorporator in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that she executed and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation.


DR. ELIZA B. TATE

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the state and county named above this
_____ day of May 2003.

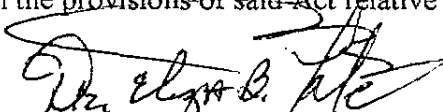
CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICLE FOR THE
SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE. NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM
PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in
compliance with said Act:

First, That THE TATE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CENTER, Inc. desiring to
organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office as indicated in the
Articles of Incorporation, in the City of Alachua, County of Alachua, and State of Florida, has
named DR. ELIZA B. TATE as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the
place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply
with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping upon said office.


DR. ELIZA B. TATE
Registered Agent

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