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June 23, 2003

Department of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Hispanic Business Initiative Fund of South Florida, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are the signed original and a signed copy of the Articles of Incorporation of the above corporation. We have also enclosed a check in the amount of \$87.50 for the filing and certified copy fees.

Please process this at your earliest convenience and return the certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation to this office.

Thank you in advance for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely, <

Rafael A. Romero Vice President

SECRETARY OF STRATT ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF_ HISPANIC BUSINESS INITIATIVE FUND OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.

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The undersigned incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation, a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida and adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I

NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of the Corporation shall be HISPANIC BUSINESS INITIATIVE FUND OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC. The principal office and mailing address is PO Box 2886 Orlando, Florida 32801

<u>ARTICLE II</u>

CORPORATE PURPOSES, POWERS AND RIGHTS

The Corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes consistent with Internal Revenue Code 501 © (3). The main objective of the Corporation shall be to provide bilingual technical assistance to the Hispanic business community and contribute to the growth of disadvantaged Hispanic Minority Business Enterprises. The term "Hispanic Minority Business Enterprise" means any business which is at least fifty-one (51%) owned by Hispanic-Americans or, in the case of a publicly owned corporation, at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the voting stock of which is owned by Hispanic-Americans.

The main objective shall be accomplished by matching Hispanic businesses with existing private and public technical programs and by providing technical assistance services not currently accessible due to cultural and language barriers.

ARTICLE III

NO PERSONAL BENEFIT

All earnings from operations, funds, donations and charitable contributions shall only benefit clients of HBIF and no part of these earnings shall be distributed to its members, officers, directors or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in order to accomplish the purposes set forth in Article II hereof.

ARTICLE IV

PROHIBITED ACTS

No 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, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. The Corporation shall not carry on activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501° (3) of the Code, and contributions to which are deductible under Sections 170° (2), 2055 (a) and 2522 (a) of the Code, or the corresponding provisions of any future federal tax laws.

<u>ARTICLE V</u>

TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Corporation shall exist perpetually unless dissolved according to law.

<u>ARTICLE VI</u>

DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, after discharging or making provision for discharging its liabilities, the assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501 \bigcirc (3) of the Code, or the corresponding provisions of any future federal tax laws.

ARTICLE VII

MEMBERS

The qualifications for the members and the manner of their admission shall be set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

REGISTERED AGENT

The name of the registered agent of the Corporation is Tony Blanca. 315 E. Robinson St. Suite 190 Orlando, Fl 32801

ARTICLE IX

DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Corporation in the manner set forth in the Bylaws. The number of directors, as well as their terms and qualifications, also shall be set forth in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE X

INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is Rafael A. Romero, 315 E. Robinson St., Suite 190, Orlando, Florida 32801.

ARTICLE XI

AMENDMENT

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation by majority of the Board of Directors present at a meeting called for that purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand and seal on this, the 13^{14} day of June, 2003.

Rafael A. Romero

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF Orange

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 13^{44} day of June, 2003, by Rafael A. Romero, who, is personally known to me or who has provided FL. Lic. # R560-721-61-442-0 as identification, and who did take an oath.

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ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the foregoing appointment as Registered Agent for HISPANIC BUSINESS INITIATIVE FUND OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.

Tony Blanca

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF Change

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 13^{44} day of June, 2003, by Tony Blanca, who, is personally known to me or who has provided 4L Diverse-184.52-001-53-302 as identification, and who did take an oath.

y Public Signature

Notary Public Printed Name My Commission Expires:



