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FLORIDA DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS P.O. BOX 6327 TALLAHASSEE, FL 32314

RE: EAST HILLSBOROUGH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

To: Division of Corporations

Enclosed for filing are the original **signed** Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced not-for-profit corporation.

Also enclosed is a **complete photocopy of the executed Articles** and a check payable to the **Department of State** for **\$87.50** in payment of the filing fee (\$35), registered agent fee (\$35) and the fee for a certified copy (\$8.75) and for a certificate of status (\$8.75).

Please return the certified copy and certificate to me at the following address:

CHERRY MITCHELL
EAST HILLSBOROUGH NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER
702 ALSOBROOK STREET
PLANT CITY, FLORIDA 33566

Please call me at (813) 757-3871 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Cherry Mitchell Incorporator

Enclosures (Original signed Articles; copy of signed articles; check)

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE

EAST HILLSBOROUGH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

A Florida "Not for Profit" Corporation

The undersigned, acting as the incorporators of a corporation organized under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

I. NAME OF CORPORATION:

The name of the Corporation is EAST HILLSBOROUGH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (the "Corporation").

II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE:

The principal office of the Corporation is located at 702 East Alsobrook Street, Plant City, Florida 33566.

III. MAILING ADDRESS:

The mailing address of the Corporation is: 702 East Alsobrook Street, Plant City, Florida 33566.

IV. REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

The name of the registered agent of the Corporation is Gale Pinkston . The street address of the registered agent is c/o Bay Area Legal Services, 701 Tillman Place, Suite 300, Plant City, Florida 33566-7169.

V. DURATION

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence. Corporate existence shall commence on the date of the filing of these Articles with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State.

VI. MEMBERSHIP

The Corporation shall not have any members.

VII. INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. There shall be three (3) directors on the initial Board of Directors. The number of directors may be increased or decreased as provided in the bylaws, but shall never be less than three.
- B. The manner of election or appointment of the Board of Directors shall be stated in the Corporation's Bylaws.

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VIII. INCORPORATORS

The names and addresses of the incorporators are:

Denise Giarrusso c/o Hillsborough Community College, 10414 E. Columbus Dr., Tampa, FL 33619-7856

Cherry Mitchell c/o Neighborhood Service Center, 702 E. Alsobrook Street, Plant City, FL 33566

Gale Pinkston c/o Bay Area Legal Services, 701 Tillman Place, Suite 300, Plant City, FL 33566

IX. CORPORATE PURPOSES

The Corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including, but not limited to, the following:

- A. To raise the economic, educational and social levels of the residents of East Hillsborough County, Florida, including the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless, who are unemployed, underemployed, disadvantaged, disabled, elderly, low income or victims of domestic violence;
- B. To foster and promote community-wide interest and concern for the problems of said residents to the end that educational and economic opportunities (including jobs and job training) may be expanded;
- C. To expand opportunities available to said residents to obtain adequate low-cost housing accommodations by sponsoring, promoting, providing and advocating for the construction and rehabilitation of decent, safe and sanitary housing in East Hillsborough County, Florida for persons and families of low income who otherwise would not be able to find or afford a suitable place to live (including temporary shelters, transitional housing, and permanent housing solutions), thereby providing relief to the poor and distressed 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.
- D. To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

E. 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 organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, association, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments or agencies.

X. 501(c)(3) LIMITATIONS:

- A. CORPORATE PURPOSES: Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal corporate income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law), or by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).
- B. EXCLUSIVITY: The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.
- C. NO PRIVATE INUREMENT: The Corporation is not organized nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. The Corporation shall not distribute any gains, profits or dividends to the directors, officers, or members thereof (if any), or to any individual, except as reasonable compensation for services actually performed in carrying out the Corporation's charitable and educational purposes. The property, assets, profits and net income of the Corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes, no part of which shall inure to the benefit of any individual.
- D. LOBBYING AND POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS: No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of 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 (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.
- E. DISSOLUTION: Upon winding up and dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of all debts and liabilities shall be distributed to one or more organizations recognized as exempt from federal corporate income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code to be used exclusively for charitable or educational purposes. To the extent the assets are not distributed to tax-exempt organizations, the assets shall be distributed to the federal, state or local government for a public purpose. If the Corporation holds any assets in trust, such assets shall be disposed of in such a manner as may be directed by decree of the Circuit Court of the district in which the Corporation's principal office is located, upon petition thereof by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.
- F. PRIVATE FOUNDATION STATUS: In the event that this Corporation shall become a "private foundation" within the meaning of Section 509 of the Internal Revenue Code, the Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such

manner as not to subject it to tax under section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code; shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code; shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code; and shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

EXECUTION OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles of Incorporation are hereby executed by the incorporators on this 2

Denise Giarrusso

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REGISTERED AGENT'S ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT

I, Gale Pinkston, hereby accept my appointment as registered agent for the East Hillsborough Community Development Corporation, a Florida not-for-profit corporation. I am familiar with, and accept, the obligations of the position of registered agent, and agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper performance of my duties.

Gale Pinkston

Date: August 12; 2003