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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF MDJ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CORPORATION, INC.

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this Corporation is MDJ Community Development Corporation, Inc.

ARTICLE II: STATUS

The corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of the General Non-profit Corporation Law of the State of Florida and is a Corporation not for profit.

ARTICLE III: PRINICPAL OFFICE

The principal office for the transaction of business of this Corporation is to be located in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida. The principal address of the corporation is 1882 Capital Circle NE, Suite 105, Tallahassee, Florida 32308.

ARTICLE IV: DURATION

The duration of this Corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE V: PURPOSES

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are exclusively charitable, educational and scientific and consist of the following:

A. The specific and primary purposes are:

(1) To raise the economic, educational and social levels of the citizens of the State of Florida, including but not limited to those residing in Leon County and its surrounding areas, whose members 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 other wise, may be eliminated.

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

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(3) To develop educational programs, which will reduce the illiteracy, improve the likelihood of graduation, and reduce the drop out rate for children.

(4) To develop and implement programs which will reduce juvenile crime.

(5) To develop programs which will encourage area residents to improve their personal health through preventive checkups, workshop information and such other methods as appropriate.

(6) To expand opportunities available to said residents and groups to obtain adequate low-cost housing accommodations by constructing, rehabilitating, and providing decent, safe and sanitary housing for persons and families of lowincome status who otherwise would not be able to fine or afford a suitable place to live. It is the 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 construction 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 improvement.

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

(8) 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, associations, trusts, departments or agencies.

B. 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 securities 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 purposes 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 of other instrument of 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 or 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 provide advice, support, credit, funds, capital, gifts, and all other lawful forms of assistance, financial and otherwise, to or for use in business enterprises owned, or destined to be owned, by said residents or groups.

(5) To furnish management, administrative and other business advice, support, training and technical assistance to said residents and groups in order to enable them to develop necessary skills to successfully operate business ventures.

(6) To encourage and voluntarily assist said residents and groups to organize, create, acquire, obtain financing for, own, manage and operate business enterprises.

(7) To obtain information and conduct research, studies and analyses of the problems of said community, and prepare and publish reports, as to any and all matters that may be of use in furthering the purposes of this Corporation, including information, research studies, analyses and reports as to markets, products, services, skills, sources of financing and any and all other matters.

(8) To conduct educational and other efforts to eliminate prejudice and discrimination in the business, housing and financial communities and to foster the establishment of sound and constructive relationships between the business and financial communities and said residents and groups seeking opportunities in business.

(9) To aid, support and assist by gifts, contributions, loans, investments and other lawful forms of assistance other persons or organizations where such assistance will further the primary purposes of this Corporation.

(10) To conduct educational activities designed to provide instruction or training of said residents and groups for the purpose of improving or developing their capabilities, language and job skills, and the instruction of the public on subjects useful to said residents and groups and beneficial to the community as a whole. (11) To engage in housing production and related activities in order to improve the living conditions of said residents.

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

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

(14) To exercise all other 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.

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 VI: RESTRICTIONS

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 any candidate for public office. Not withstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as the same may be amended from time to time.

ARTICLE VII: INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The names and addresses of the subscribers of this corporation and initial Board of Directors who shall serve until the election of their successors are:

Elaine W. Bryant, President 1882 Capital Circle NE Suite 105 Tallahassee, Florida 32308 Arnell Bryant-Willis, Vice-President 1882 Capital Circle NE Suite 105 Tallahassee, Florida 32308

> Lona Ford, Treasurer 1882 Capital Circle NE Suite 105 Tallahassee, Florida 32308

C. Sha'Ron James, Secretary 1882 Capital Circle NE Suite 105 Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Sandra King 1882 Capital Circle NE Suite 105 Tallahassee, Florida 32308

The method of election of Board members and the time of election shall be described in the by-laws of this corporation. The by-laws shall also regulate the number of board members, officers and qualifications of persons who shall serve as members of the Board of Directors so long as the minimum requirements of the Florida General Corporation Act are satisfied.

ARTICLE VIII: REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation in the State of Florida shall be 2629 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation at the registered office shall be Barnes & James, P.A.

ARTICLE IX: PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

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The principal place of business for the initial conducting of corporation shall be 1882 Capital Circle NE, Suite 105, Tallahassee, Florida 32308.

ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS

The Article may be amended in a manner to be described in accordance with the Corporation's by-laws, so long as such amendments do not conflict with the initial purposes as described in these Articles of Incorporation.

Dated this 3^{rd} day of October 2003.

Elaine W. Bryant, President

C. Sha'Ron James, Esq. Barnes & James, P.A. Registered Agent/ Incorporator

