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**FLORIDA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

**Jacksonville Nets Basketball Organization Inc.**

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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*The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation pursuant to chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:*

### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

**Jacksonville Nets Basketball Organization Inc.**

### ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL

**Principal place of business and mailing address**

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

**Jacksonville Nets Basketball Organization Inc.**

**5302 Camelot Forest Drive  
Jacksonville, FL 32258**

### ARTICLE III PURPOSE(S)

The Jacksonville Nets Basketball Organization is a non-profit committed to developing youth basketball in the greater Jacksonville area. While getting youth involved with sports, we place a premium not only on teaching the game of basketball, but valuable life skills necessary to enable our youth to become responsible citizens in society today.

Thus, our mission is to introduce the game of basketball to the youth throughout the Jacksonville community. Through this medium, our goal is to also teach these individuals the importance of academics, citizenship, team play, competition, a sense of fair play, and to present themselves as role models both on and off the court. Our philosophy is Each One-Teach One.

Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

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 distributions of statements) and 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 an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

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 of organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

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ARTICLE IV

Manner of election of directors

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

The Method of election of directors are to be stated in the bylaws.

ARTICLES V

Initial Directors/Officers

The names and street addresses of the Directors/Officers: (OPTIONAL)

Karim Shepherd- 5302 Camelot Forest Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32258- President/Director

Dareyl Brown- 7450 Burdi Road, Jacksonville, FL 32256- Vice President/Director

Dar'rell Starks- 1335 Spanish Needle Court, Orange Park, FL 32073- Director

ARTICLES VI

Initial registered agent and street address

The name and the street address of the initial registered agent is:

Karim Shepherd  
5302 Camelot Forest Drive  
Jacksonville, FL 32258

ARTICLES VII

Incorporators

The name(s) and the street address(es) of the Incorporator(s) for these articles of Incorporation is (are):

Karim Shepherd  
5302 Camelot Forest Drive  
Jacksonville, FL 32258

The undersigned incorporator(s) has(have) executed these Articles of Incorporation this

3rd day of March 2004.



SIGNATURE

Karim Shepherd

Incorporator

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CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF  
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN THE DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the corporation is: **Jacksonville Nets Basketball Organization Inc.**

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

**Karim Shepherd**

Name

**5302 Camelot Forest Drive**

(P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box NOT Acceptable)

**Jacksonville, FL 32258**

(City / State / Zip)

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all the statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.*

  
Karim Shepherd  
Signature

03-03-2004

(Date)

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