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#### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: AFRICAN AMERICAN FATHERHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.  (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)					
Enclosed is an original a  \$70.00  Filing Fee	nd one(1) copy of the article \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of	es of incorporation and a  \$78.75  Filing Fee  & Certified Copy	\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy		
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#### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Glenda E. Hood Secretary of State

June 7, 2004

PAMELA HOBBS 5916 5TH AVE N UNIT 3B ST PETERSBURG, FL 33710

SUBJECT: AFRICAN AMERICAN FATHERHOOD ASSOCIATION (AAFA), INC.

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We have received your document for AFRICAN AMERICAN FATHERHOOD ASSOCIATION (AAFA), INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Entities may file using only the entity's name. Please delete any reference to the "doing business as name" in your document. If you wish to register your fictitious name, you may do so by filing the enclosed application and submitting the appropriate fees to this office.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

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AFRICAN AMERICAN FATHERHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC. SEC.

SEC. LIATE TALLAMAS ME, FLORIDA

#### A FLORIDA CORPORATION NOT FOR PROFIT

In compliance with Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, (Not for Profit), the undersigned, desiring to incorporate a nonprofit corporation, (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") for the purposes hereinafter stated, does hereby certify as follows:

# ARTICLE 1 CORPORATION NAME

The name of the Corporation is African American Fatherhood Association, Inc.

# ARTICLE 2 PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Section 1. The address of this Corporation's current registered office in the State of Florida shall be located at 11818-D Raintree Lake Lane, Temple Terrace, FL, 33617.

Section 2. The Corporation may also have offices, at such other places both within and without the State of Florida as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

## ARTICLE 3 PURPOSE

The Corporation is incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under the Nonprofit Act. The specific purpose for which this corporation is organized is educational and charitable, including without limitations, the following:

- A. To educate the public about the family and fatherhood based on the biblical pattern, in cooperation with other organizations whose vision is similar, thru the development and sponsorship of programs, lectures, concerts, publications and related activities of an educational, charitable or religious character.
- B. To confront the problem of father absence, educating and inspiring the public thru awareness campaigns and other resources; to provide scholarships, grants and loans to further the tenets of committed, responsible fatherhood.
- C. To develop ways to support men's involvement in childrearing, including strategies to strengthen fathers and mothers in their parenting roles utilizing sound biblical teaching.
- D. To sponsor, equip, train and develop leaders.

E. To engage in activities which are necessary, suitable, or convenient for the accomplishment of that purpose, or which are incidental thereto or connected therewith such purpose, including but not limited to educational, religious, charitable, recreational, community and social services.

## ARTICLE 4 PECUNIARY GAIN OR PROFIT

The Corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit, incidental or otherwise.

# ARTICLE 5 NON-STOCK BASIS

The Corporation is to be organized on a non-stock basis.

# ARTICLE 6 MEMBERS

The Corporation shall have no members.

#### ARTICLE 7 MANNER OF ELECTION

The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by it Board of Directors ("Board", "Directors", or "Members of the Board"), concerned with fulfilling the purposes of the Corporation as provided in these Articles. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of the Chairman of the Board, the President, one or more Vice Chairs, a Secretary of the Board, a Treasurer of the Board, and such other persons or officers of the Board as the Board may deem proper.

The Board of Directors of the Corporation is authorized and empowered to adopt such Bylaws or other governing laws, rules or regulations of the Corporation as may be necessary to effectuate and implement the provisions of this Article and for the management of the business and the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation, and the Board of Directors may repeal, amend, or modify same from time to time as it sees fit; provided that the same be not contrary to the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida or of the United States. The Board of Directors shall have the power to fix and determine the use and disposition of the funds of the Corporation and to authorize and cause to be executed and delivered contracts, leases, deeds, mortgages, and liens upon the real and personal property of the Corporation.

The Corporation is expressly authorized to carry on its business, hold its meetings in any of the states, colonies or dependencies of the United States, have one or more offices therein, and

therein to hold, purchase, lease, mortgage, and convey real and personal property; and to keep the books of the Corporation within or without the State of Florida at such places as may from time to time be designated by the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE 8 EXEMPT

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not engage directly or indirectly in any activity which would prevent it from qualifying and continuing to qualify, as a corporation described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code (hereinafter referred to in these Articles as an "exempt organization"), or as a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be devoted to carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided in Section 501(h) of the Code), and the Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

# ARTICLE 9 EARNINGS

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, no part of the net earnings or assets of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to its members, directors, trustees, officers or any other private individual; provided, however, the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to the extent that such payments do not prevent it from qualifying, and continuing to qualify, as an exempt organization and to make such lawful payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 3 hereof as may from time to time be either required or permitted by Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

# ARTICLE 10 DISSOLUTION

In the event that the Corporation shall be dissolved or liquidated, the Board of Directors, after paying or making provision for payment of all of the known liabilities of the Corporation, may transfer or dispose of the Corporation's property and assets to such one or more corporations, trusts, funds or other organizations which at the time are exempt from federal income tax as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, and, in the sole judgment of the Corporation's Board of Directors, have purposes similar to those of the Corporation.

Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction exclusively to one or more of such corporations, trusts, funds or other organizations as said court shall determine, which at the time are exempt from federal income tax as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, and which are organized and operated for such purposes. No

private individual or entity shall share in the distribution of any Corporation assets upon sale or dissolution of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE 11 CODE

References in these Articles to a section of the Code shall be construed to refer both to such section and to the regulations promulgated thereunder, as they now exist or may hereafter be amended, and to the corresponding provisions of any future federal tax code and the regulations thereunder.

# ARTICLE 12 INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

1) PRESIDENT/TREASURER

Name: Shawn E. Brown

Address:

11818-D Raintree Lake Lane,

Temple Terrace, FL 33617

2) VICE-PRESIDENT/SECRETARY

Name: Pamela R. Hobbs

Address:

5916 5th Avenue North, Unit B3

St. Petersburg, FL 33710

## ARTICLE 13 INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

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

Name: Pamela R. Hobbs

Address:

5916 5th Avenue North, Unit B3

St. Petersburg, FL 33710

# ARTICLE 14 INCORPORATORS

The name and address the Incorporator is:

Name: Shawn E. Brown

Address:

11818-D Raintree Lake Lane,

Temple Terrace, FL 33617

# ARTICLE 15 AMENDMENTS

These Articles may be amended only by an affirmative majority vote of the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE 16 EFFECTIVE DATE

These Articles of Incorporation are effective beginning the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2004.

#### ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION AS REGISTERED AGENT

I hereby accept the appointment and responsibility as the registered agent of African American Fatherhood Association, Inc., as made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

DATED:

June 16, 2004

Pamela R. Hobbs, Registered Agent

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Incorporator has signed these Articles of Incorporation this

1st day of June, 2004.

By:`

hawn E. Brown, Incorporate

STATE OF FLORIDA ) COUNTY OF PINELLAS)