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SUBJECT: PROTESTANT HAITIAN FEDERATION OF FLORIDA, INC. Ref. Number: W04000036169

We have received your document for PROTESTANT HAITIAN FEDERATION OF FLORIDA, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

#### FOR

# PROTESTANT HAITIAN FEDERATION OF FLORIDA, INCLAHASSEE FLORIDA

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We the undersigned, do hereby associate ourselves together and subscribe this certificate of incorporation for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under the provisions of Chapter 617 of Florida Statues, do agree to the following.

# ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is: **PROTESTANT HAITIAN FEDERATION OF** FLORIDA, INC.

## <u>ARTICLE II</u>

The corporation shall exist perpetually unless dissolved according to Florida law.

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: Home address: 3501 NW. 34<sup>th</sup> AVE, FORT LAUDERDALE FL 33309 Other offices for the transaction of business may be located wherever the directors may deem necessary or expedient.

# **ARTICLE III**

Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, literary and scientific purpose within the meaning of section 501  $\mathbb{O}(3)$  of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corporation provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal Income Tax Section 501  $\bigcirc$  (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

In the event of dissolution, assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in sections 501  $\bigcirc$  (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, of to the Federal, State, or local government for exclusive public purpose.

# ARTICLE IV

The membership of this corporation shall constitute all persons hereinafter named as officers and directors and such other persons as from time to time may become members as stated in the bylaws.

# ARTICLE V – INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The name, address, and telephone number of the registered agent of this corporation shall be:

# Renaut Pierre-Louis 3501 NW 34<sup>TH</sup> Ave Fort Lauderdale, Fl 33309 Phone: 954-733-0965

# ARTICLE VI – INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a president & CEO (Chief Executive Officer), Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer and such other officers as may from time to time be created by the board of directors. The names and addresses of the initial directors of the corporation and the office they shall hold until the first election are as follows:

(CEO)/President Renaut Pierre-Louis 3501 NW 34<sup>th</sup> Ave Fort Lauderdale Fl 33309

Mr Vice-President Henry Claude Mercy 6583 Spring Garden Run Lake Worth Fl. 33463 Mr. Treasurer Raymond Pierre 4174 Inverrary Dr #213 Lauderhill Fl 33319

Mr- Secretary Robert Chery 4044 Inverrary Dr Lauderhill Fl 33319

#### **ARTICLE VII**

The board of directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the by-laws. The members of the board of directors shall never be less than three (3) in number. The initial board of directors shall consist of four (4) persons, whose names and addresses are as follows and who shall serve as directors until the first election:

(CEO)/President Renaut Pierre-Louis 3501 NW 34<sup>th</sup> Ave Fort Lauderdale Fl 33309 Mr. Treasurer Raymond Pierre 4174 Inverrary Dr #213 Lauderhill 33319 Mr Vice-President Henry Claude Mercy 6583 Spring Garden Run Lake Worth Fl. 33463

Mr- Secretary Robert Chery 4044 Inverrary Dr Lauderhill Fl 33319

#### ARTICLE VIII

These articles of incorporation may be amended by a majority vote of the board of directors at any special meeting called for that purpose; after first giving at least ten (10) days written notice of the meeting. Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation shall only be effective from the date of approval in writing by Chairman of the Board.

It is hereby expressly provided that in the determination of whether an individual qualifies and should be thus entitled to membership, the officers of this Corporation, to abide by the by-laws shall not discriminate or be applied in any manner which may be contrary to the purposes in these articles of Incorporation as an organization exempt from taxation under section 501  $\mathbb{O}$  (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

# ARTICLE IX

The names and addresses of the incorporators signing these articles of Incorporation are as follows:

CEØ/President Address CEO)/President Renaut Pierre-Louis 3501 NW 34<sup>th</sup> Ave Fort Lauderdale Fl 33309

Mr – Secretary Robert Chery 4044 Inverrary Drive Lauderhill Fl 33319

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# ARTICLE X

The Articles and bylaws of this corporation may be amended from time to time by a majority vote of the board of Directors at a meeting called especially for that purpose and after giving at least ten (10) days notice in writing.

# ARTICLE XI

The corporation shall hold an annual meeting for members within ninety (90) days of the end of its fiscal year as determined by the board of directors. At such meeting Directors shall be elected or appointed in accordance with the By-laws.

IN WITTNESS THEREOF, The undersigned subscribing incorporators have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seal on this \_24th day of \_\_September\_ 2004.

Renaut Pierre-Louis

President/CEO

Robert Chery Mr- Secretary

# **REGISTERED AGENT – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 607.0501, Florida Statutes, The Undersigned Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered agent/registered office, in the state of Florida.

> The name of the corporation is:

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# **PROTESTANT HAITIAN FEDERATION OF FLORIDA, INC**

Having been named Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, and being familiar with the obligation of that position. I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of Florida Law in keeping open said office.

Rénaut Pierre-Louis Registered Agent

9/27/2004