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SECRETARY OF STATE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: Concerned Organized Men In Action, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME-MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for:

\$70.00 Filing Fee

\$78.75

Filing Fee & Certificate of

Status

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Filing Fee & Certified Copy \$87.50

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& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Melvin Brown ST

208 Hickory Street

New Smyrva Beach, FL 32168

386 - 409 - 5484

Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S. (Not For Profit)



Article I Corporation Name

The name of the corporation/organization was set forth by a group of African-American men of the Westside of the New Smyrna Beach Area who began meeting in the early 1980's. Therefore our name shall be, "Concerned Organized Men In Action, Inc." and also known by the acronym "COMA".

Article II Principal Office

The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation shall be, 209 Hickory Street, New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168

Article III Purpose

The Purpose for which this corporation is organized is:

- 1. To provide competent, aggressive leadership and participation in worthy undertakings for the improvement and economic development of the African-American citizens of the Westside community and surrounding communities that impact the quality of life on the Westside.
- 2. To cooperate with authorities when needed in crime prevention and elimination of drug abuse among the African-American citizens of the Westside Community and surrounding communities that impact the quality of life on the Westside.
- 3. To create more interest in political affairs and encourage more African-American citizen participation in the democratic process.
- 4. To provide incentive for the clean up and maintenance of private and public property of citizens located on the Westside.
- 5. To cooperate with local schools, governmental and private authorities in providing quality educational and job opportunities for African-American citizens of the Westside and surrounding communities that impact the quality of life on the Westside.
- 6. To cooperate with and assist local officials in providing wholesome recreations and social activities for African-American citizens of the Westside Community where needed.

7. To cooperate with and assist religious, civic and other approved organizations in endeavors worthwhile to the African-American citizens and other citizens of the Westside Community.

ARTICLE IV Classes of Membership

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Section A: Active Member - An adult African-American male or other adult males residing within the Westside Community of New Smyrna Beach and adjacent properties located within unincorporated Volusia county who has been recommended by the Membership Committee and received a vote of approval by a majority of the Active Membership.

Sub-section A1: An Active Member is considered in good standing when all dues are current, presently participating in the organization regular meetings and activities.

Sub-section A2: No Active Member may miss more than three (3) Consecutive meetings or organization activities without permission or he shall forfeit his Active Member status.

Subsection A3: Active Members shall have voting rights and may hold an office in the organization.

Section B: Honorary Member - Shall be conferred upon any outstanding man whom has actively work to improve the quality of life on the Westside. Recommendation of the officers and a majority vote of the Active Membership may only confer this membership.

Sub-section B1: Honorary Member shall not have any financial obligation to the organization, he may not vote within the organization or be elected to an office.

Sub-section B2: Honorary Member may serve as an adviser only upon request by the officers/directors of the organization and a majority vote of the Active Membership.

ARTICLE V

Manner of Election of Directors/Officers

Section A: Election of Directors/Officers shall be Second Saturday in November every two years and installation of the new Directors/Officers shall be the following January.

Section B: To serve and/or remain as a Director/Officer a member must be in good standing as outline in Article IV-Section A, Article VI-Section A, and Article IX.

ARTICLE VI Officers

Section A: Upon completion of one year's membership, any active members in good standing may be elected to the position of a Director/Officer.

Section B: The Directors/officers of this corporation shall be President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Sergeant-At-Arms, Reporter and Chaplain.

The first officers shall be follows:

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Albert Washington, Sr.	President
Gordon Roger	, Vice-President
Joseph Darrisaw	, Recording Secretary
Willford Grant	, Corresponding Secretary
Melvin Brown Sr.	, Treasurer
Donald A. Horne, Sr.	, Parliamentarian
J. B. Briggs	Sergeant-At-Arms
Melvin Brown Sr.	, Reporter
Harold Rouse	, Chaplain

ARTICLE VII Incorporator

Albert Washington 1290 Julia Street New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

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Gordon Roger, Sr. 547 Josie Street New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

Joseph Darrisaw 518 N. Myrtle Ave. New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168 Willford Grant 909 Midway Street New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

Melvin Brown, Sr. 209 Hickory Street New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

Donald A. Horne, Sr. 201 Oak Street New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

Harold L. Rouse 606 N. Duss Street New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

ARTICLE VIII Registered Agent

The Initial Registered Agent shall be the presently serving Treasurer and his successors:

Melvin Brown, Sr., 209 Hickory Street, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

ARTICLE IX

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Dues

Section A:	•
Active Member	
Honorary Mem	berNo Dues, see Section B, Sub-Section B1

Section B: Due shall be fix annually by a majority vote of the Active Members.

Section C: Members that are six (6) weeks delinquent in dues shall be dropped from the membership roll of the organization, however payment of outstanding dues shall entitle the delinquent member to reinstatement consideration.

Section D: The delinquent member shall be required to pay no more than one year of outstanding dues however exception may be granted to a delinquent member who has become unemployed do to illness or job lay-off.

ARTICLE X Meeting

Section A: Bi-weekly Meeting - Regular Bi-weekly meetings shall be held every second and fourth Saturday of each month at a time and place determined by the officers.

Section B: Quorum - At all Regular Bi-meetings five Active Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section C: Rules of Order - The rules of order contained in "Robert's Rules of Order", shall govern the meeting of the corporation in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are consistent with these Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws.

ARTICLE XI Logo

The logo or emblem of the organization shall be a replica of a handshake across which the word "IMPACT" is written.

ARTICLE XII

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws

Section A: No vote to amend the Articles of Incorporation and/or By-Laws may not be conducted until a 30 day notice has been given by mail to all of the Active Members of the corporation. Only the Corresponding Secretary shall have the responsibility to notify the Active Members of the corporation of an up coming vote to amend.

Section B: Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and/or By-Laws may be made by recommendation of the Board of Directors/Officers and a two-third vote of the Active Members present at a meeting to amend Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws, see Article X, Section B.

Article XIII Dissolution

Upon dissolution of winding up of the corporation, any assets remaining after payment of debts of the corporation shall be disbursed to another nonprofit community focus corporation as directed by the Board of Directors of this corporation.

Article XIV Register Agent Signature

Having been named as registered agent of Concerned Organized Men In Action, Inc., to accept service of process for the stated corporation at the place designated in these articles of incorporation, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent therefore I agree to act in this capacity.

Melvi D. Brown Lc. Signature of Melvin Brown, Sr.

//-23-04 Date

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me this Not day

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