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Jacksonville-Orlando District Initiative, Inc. Subject: (Proposed Corporate Name Must Include Suffix)

Enclosed are an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

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From: Desi L. Echoles 10326 Planterswood Drive Jacksonville, FL 32218 (904) 764-0344

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 Name:

The name of the corporation shall be: Jacksonville-Orlando District Initiative, Inc.

Article II Principal Office:

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 10326 Planterswood Drive Jacksonville, FL 32218

Article III Purpose:

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

To address the social conditions of people who are underserved in the areas of education, unemployment, hunger, housing and/or infirmed. To alleviate the suffering of humankind in surrounding communities through social programs.

Article IV Manner of Election:

The manner in which directors are elected or appointed:

A majority of the directors shall be representatives of four faith-based entities located in the city of Jacksonville, Florida. Each entity is entitled to two (2) representatives—one (1) of which shall be the chief administrator of the faith based entity and one (1) representative shall be from the general population of the entity appointed by the chief administrator of the faith based entity. The tenure of the representatives shall be for one year (12 months) and no longer than 2 years (24 months) unless it is deemed to be in the best interest of the corporation by 2/3 vote of the Board of Directors to extend the tenure of directors(s) for a longer period of time to be defined by the Board.

The Board of Directors shall also consist of two (2) representatives from the district faith based entity—one (1) of which shall be the District Supervisor and one (1) shall be a representative appointed by the District Supervisor.

The Board of Directors shall also consist of one (1) at large member which may be elected or appointed from the community of Jacksonville, Florida.

The Board of Directors shall have no more than eleven (11) members. Directors must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

The Board reserves the right to extend invitations to resource personnel to provide data and information necessary for evaluation purposes.

The Board reserves the right to fill any vacancy(ies) which may occur prior to elections to be held in January of each calendar year in accordance with the manner of election.

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HEURLIARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA The Executive committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian. The chairs of any standing committee(s) may at the discretion of the President be included.

Article V Initial Directors/Officers

The Officers and Board of Directors who will manage the business until the first election or appointment as provided by the by laws or until their successors are elected and qualified.

The name(s), address(es), and title(s):

- Desi L. Echoles-President 10326 Planterswood Drive Jacksonville, FL 32218
- John W. Walker, Jr.-Vice-President 1138 Turtle Creek Drive, South Jacksonville, FL 32218
- Shirley Edwards-Secretary 2563 Hiland Street Jacksonville, FL 32204
- Lizzie Simmons-Treasurer 4243 Woodley Creek Road Jacksonville, FL 32218
- Florence Luster-Parliamentarian 9047 Sibbald Road Jacksonville, FL 32208
- Deborah Dickenson-Trustee 9047 Sibbald Road Jacksonville, FL 32208
- Patricia Dauda-Trustee
 4243 Woodley Creek Road
 Jacksonville, FL 32218
- 8. Larry Allen-Trustee 1112 Cathcart Street Jacksonville, FL 32211

- 9. Maggie Allen-Trustee 1112 Cathcart Street Jacksonville, FL 32211
- 10. Jerry Williamson-Trustee 2753 Mayport Road, #51 Atlantic Beach, FL 32233
- 11. Sarah Williamson-Trustee 2753 Mayport Road, #51 Atlantic Beach, FL 32233

Article VI-Property

The corporation shall have the power to acquire and hold title in fee simple, in trust, or otherwise, to both real and personal property, and to improve, sell, convey and dispose of all such property.

Article VII-By Laws

- 1. The Board of Directors of the Jacksonville-Orlando Initiative, Inc. shall meet at least once per month at a designated location.
- 2. Special committees shall be formed on an as needed basis necessary to gather data, information, reports, etc. to determine feasibility of course of action to be acted on by the Board of Directors.
- 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at the discretion of the President. No action approved by the Executive Committee will be enacted without review from the Board of Directors and voted upon by 2/3 votes of the Board of Directors.
- 4. The Corporation shall raise funds and locate alternative funding sources to sponsor social programs in surrounding communities. The method of fund raising will be determined by the Board of Directors and enacted by 2/3 votes of the Board.
- 5. The Corporation shall reserve the right to engage in any application making process if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the corporation by 2/3 votes of the Board of Directors.

Article VIII Amendments or Changes

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended or changed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors who are in attendance at any regular and special meeting called for that purpose.

Article IX Initial Registered Agent and Street Address

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is: Desi L. Echoles 10326 Planterswood Drive Jacksonville, FL 32218

Article X Incorporator

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The name and address of the Incorporator is: Desi L. Echoles 10326 Planterswood Drive Jacksonville, FL 32218

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in the certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

<u>Signature/Registered Agent</u>

Signature/Incorporator

March 14, 2005 Date March 14, 2005