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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: Coalition African Diaspora Studies, Inc.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

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FROM: Dr. Patrick Coggins  
Name (Printed or typed)

144 VASSAR RD PO BOX 3492  
Address

DELAND, FL 32724  
City, State & Zip

386-738-5876  
Daytime Telephone number

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

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

We the undersigned incorporators associate ourselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act; hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

### ARTICLE I

#### NAME

The name of the Corporation is Coalition **African Diaspora Studies, Inc.**

### ARTICLE II

#### ADDRESS

The principal place of business and mailing address is 744 Vassar Road, Deland, FL 32724.

### ARTICLE III

#### PURPOSES

Coalition African Diaspora Studies Corporation is organizes exclusively for charitable, educational and community services purposes within the meaning of Sections 1709c (2) 501 (c) (3), 2055(a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of said Code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

The Corporation is organized to enhance the well-being of society through research, evaluation, dissemination and creation of resources on the African Diaspora. The Corporation is being organized to:

1. Develop curriculum frameworks for public and private educational personnel to assist them in planning and implementing African and African American history instruction in their institutions.
2. Provide training for educators and other service providers in the history, culture, experiences and contributions of people of the African Diaspora.
3. Foster relationships in communities across the nation to galvanize support for the instruction of history, culture, experiences and contributions of people of the African Diaspora.
4. Create travel/study abroad opportunities for educators, parents and students throughout the African Diaspora to develop cultural exchange.
5. Connect resource organizations from throughout the African Diaspora through a national clearinghouse.

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#### **ARTICLE IV**

##### **MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The manner in which the directors are appointed shall be as prescribed in the corporation's By-laws.

[4.02 The officers of the Corporation shall be appointed annually by the Board of Directors at the regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors.]

#### **ARTICLE V**

##### **INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

The officers until the first annual meeting of the corporation are:

Dr. Patrick C. Coggins, President  
Dr. Bernadette Kelley, Vice-President  
Cynthia Newell, Secretary  
Randy Lightfoot, Treasurer

#### **ARTICLE VI**

##### **INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent are:

Dr. Patrick C. Coggins  
744 Vassar Road  
Deland, FL 32724

#### **ARTICLE VII**

##### **NAME AND ADDRESS OF INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Cynthia Y. Newell  
1502 14<sup>th</sup> Street East  
Bradenton, FL 34208

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

##### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY**

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 out of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any 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 federal 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.

## ARTICLE IX

### DISSOLUTION POLICY

Upon 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.

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

Dr. Patrick C. Caggins  
Signature/Registered Agent

11/12/04  
Date

Stephen G. Newell  
Signature/Incorporator

11/12/04  
Date