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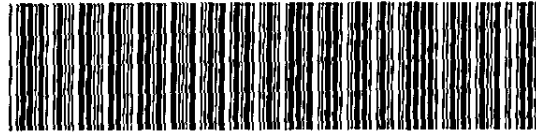
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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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**SUBJECT:** Haitian Community Network, Inc.

Enclosed are one original and two (2) copies of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for \$87.50 to cover the Filing Fee, the Certified Copy and the Certificate.

FROM:

Ms. Gladys Jones  
832 Green Street  
West Palm Beach, FL 33405



Daytime Telephone Number:  
(561) 502 - 3387

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
HAITIAN COMMUNITY NETWORK, INC.**

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We, the undersigned natural persons of the age of eighteen (18) years or more, at least two (2) of whom are citizens of the State of Florida, acting as Incorporators of a corporation under the Florida Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

**Article I  
General Information**

**Section 1: Name:** The name of this corporation is **Haitian Community Network, Inc.**

**Section 2: Non-Profit Corporation:** The Haitian Community Network, Inc. is established as a non-profit corporation and shall apply for tax exempt status to conduct or carry on activities permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

The Haitian Community Network, Inc. is organized pursuant to the Florida Non-Profit Corporation Act, and does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members of the corporation organized for non-profit purposes.

**Section 3: Duration:** The corporation is said to have perpetual existence.

**Article II  
Principal Place of Business and Mailing Address of the Corporation**

The principal place of Business for the Haitian Community Network, Inc. shall be **1872 N Federal Highway, Boynton Beach FL 33435**, or as the Board of Directors may designate from time to time.

**Article III  
Statement of Purpose**

The Haitian Community Network, Inc. is organized to fulfill the following purposes:

Establish an ethnically and culturally sensitive public health program in Palm Beach County targeted primarily to Haitian Immigrants.

Establish a Job Skill and Career Transition Development program aimed at providing training, and career transition orientation to immigrants, and other segments of the population who lack the know how to be successful in the workforce.

Establish an Adult Literacy program that will teach Haitian immigrants basic reading and writing skills.

Establish a Community Integration program that will train Haitian immigrants in the area of American culture and civic responsibilities. That program will also provide advocacy service, and basic legal status assistance to all immigrant clients.

Establish a Preschooler Assistance program aimed at assisting poor parents with childcare in order for them to go to work.

The foregoing statement of purposes shall be construed as a statement of both purpose and powers, and the purpose and powers stated in each clause shall, except where otherwise expressed, be in no way limited or restricted by any reference to or inference from the terms or provisions of any other clauses, but shall be regarded as independent purposes and powers.

**Article IV**  
**Election of Board of Directors**

**Section 1 – Terms of Membership:**

The Board of Directors shall be broken into thirds. Approximately one third of the board shall serve an initial term of three years; one third shall serve an initial term of two years; and one third shall serve an initial term of one year. At the end of each initial term, the board seat will be put for election for a member to serve a three-year term. No board member shall serve more than two (2) three-year terms. This process is designed to spread out the election of board members such that only approximately one-third of the board seats are up for election each year.

**Section 2 – Selection of Board Members:**

A Board Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the initial Board of Directors to represent diverse aspects of the Haitian Community Network, Inc. The Board Nominating Committee shall be responsible for nominating and presenting a slate of member representatives for each open seat. The nominated member representatives shall be chosen in a way such as to preserve the diversity and balance necessary to enable the Haitian Community Network, Inc. to provide guidance on a broad spectrum of community issues.

**Section 3 – Election Process:**

The slate of candidates for Board membership prepared by the nominating committee shall be presented to the Haitian Community Network membership prior to the annual meeting. Ballots shall be distributed and cast by current members of the Haitian Community Network, Inc. The member with the most number of votes wins the seat. In the event of two or more members receiving an equal number of votes, a run-off election shall be held.

**Article V**  
**Initial Members of the Board of Directors**

The number of trustees constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Haitian Community Network, Inc. shall be seven (7), six (6) of whom are listed below. The initial directors shall serve in this capacity until a full Board of Trustees has been installed in accordance with the by-laws. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the organizing trustees are:

<b>Names</b>	<b>Street Address</b>
Mr. Willy Francois	6781 Coral Reef Street, Lake Worth FL 33467
Mr. James Francois	321 Kentucky Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312
Dr. Yannique Duval, M.D.	6295 Harbour Club Drive, Lake Worth, FL 33467
Ms. Gladys Jones	832 Green Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33405
Mr. Guy Longchamps	117 Meadow Lands Drive, West Palm Beach FL 33411
Dr. Serge Mistivar	1553 S.E. Pitcher Road, Port St. Lucie FL 34952

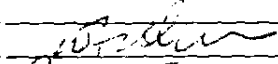
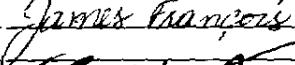
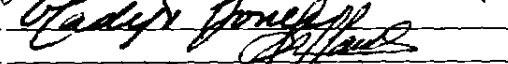
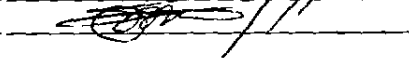


**Article VI**  
**The Registered Agent**

The registered agent for the Haitian Community Network, Inc. shall be Mr. Willy Francois whose Florida street address is 6781 Coral Reef Street, Lake Worth, FL 33467.

**Article VII**  
**The Incorporator**

The Incorporator for the Haitian Community Network, Inc. shall be Ms. Gladys Jones whose Florida street address is 832 Green Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33405.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being all the persons named above as the initial directors, have executed these Articles of Incorporation.

Name (Printed)	Signature
Willy François	
James François	
Yannique Duval	
Gladys Jones	
Guy Longchamps	
Serge Mistivar	

BEFORE me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the above named persons, who are known to me, and who subscribed to the above Articles of Incorporation, and they did freely and voluntarily acknowledge before me according to law that they made and subscribed the same for the uses and purposes there in mentioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL at West Palm Beach in the State of Florida on this 3 day of May 2005

Notary Public  
State of Florida



Debra Wright  
Commission #DD386839  
Expires: Jan 17, 2009  
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Atlantic Bonding Co., Inc.

Debra Wright Jan -17-2009

My commission expires: / /

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in these articles, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

W. H. Francis  
Registered Agent: W. H. Francis

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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