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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

#### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this corporation shall be:

Lester E Crockett Foundation, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business shall be located initially at:

750 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street Miami, FL 33168

### ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

This corporation is a non-profit corporation. The specific purposes, but not limited to, for which the corporation has been formed are enumerated.

- a) To act and operate exclusively as a nonprofit corporation pursuant to the laws of the state of Florida, and to act and operate as a charitable organization in lessening the burdens of government, providing relief of the poor and distressed or under-privileged, and promoting social welfare by reducing unemployment through economic development as well as promote and support social programs for U.S. veterans of foreign wars.
- b) To engage in any and all activities and pursuits, and to support or assist such other organizations, as may be reasonably related to the foregoing and following purposes.
- c) To engage in any and all lawful purposes, activities and pursuits, which are substantially similar to the foregoing and which are or may hereafter be authorized by Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- d) To solicit and receive contributions, purchase own and sell real and personal property, to make contracts, to invest corporate funds for corporate purposes, and to engage in any activity in furtherance of, identical to, or connected with any of the other purposes.

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- e) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers, or other persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to the corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein;
- f) No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation 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 except as authorized under the internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended;
- g) The corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

## ARTICLE III - MANNER OF ELECTION

Directors elected at the first annual meeting of the board of directors, and at all times thereafter, shall serve six years until the sixth annual meeting of the board of directors following the election of the directors and until the qualification of successors in the office. Such annual meetings shall be held at 10.00 am on the first day of August each year at the principal address of the corporation or at such other place as the board may designate from time to time by resolution.

## ARTICLE IV - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have three (3) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the by-laws, but shall never be less than three (3). The initial directors of this corporation are:

Lester E. Crockett; President 750 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, FL 33168

Jose Bolanos 750 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, FL 33168

Arturo Menendez 750 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, FL 33168

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#### ARTICLE V - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The initial registered agent and street address of this corporation is:

Lester E Crockett 750 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street Miami, FL 33168

#### **ARTICLE VI - INCORPORATOR**

The name of and address of the person signing this article is:

Lester E. Crockett 750 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street. Miami, FL 33168

## ARTICLE VIL- DISSOLUTION

Upon the 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, for a public purpose.

Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2005.

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Incorporator

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## CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING THE ADDRESS AND AN

## AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

## WITNESSETH:

That the Lester E. Crockett Foundation, Inc. desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, which will have its principal office in the County of Dade, State of Florida, has appointed

Lester E. Crockett 750 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street. Miami, FL 33168

as its agent to accept service of process within the state.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been named by the

Lester E. Crockett Foundation, Inc.

to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in the capacity of Registered Agent for the said corporation, and agree to comply with the applicable provision of the Florida Statutes, this  $5^{th}$  day of May 2005.

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**Registered Agent** 

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