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Department of State
Division of Corporations
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SUBJECT: FONDATION HAITIENNE DE SECOURS MUTUEL, 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
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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: DR. FEDNA JEAN COLIGNON
Name (Printed or typed)

11704 NW 1ST AVENUE
Address

MIAMI, FLORIDA 33168
City, State & Zip

305-758-2898
Daytime Telephone number

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
FONDATION HAITIENNE DE SECOURS MUTUEL, INC.

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ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is:

FONDATION HAITIENNE DE SECOURS MUTUEL, INC.

ARTICLE II

The term for which this corporation shall exist, shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE III

The general nature of the business or businesses to be transacted by said corporation shall be as follows:

To foster, support, and engage in activities relative to humanitarian relief, socioeconomic development, progress and ideals, including any and all activities, which are lawful and appropriate in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. The organization shall engage in activities and programs that serve the Haitian communities in the United States and Haiti, and which serve to promote socioeconomic, cultural and human development, mutual understanding, and public service in both countries.

That of engaging in any activity permitted under the laws of the United States of America, its territories, districts, and possessions, and any activity permitted under the laws of the State of Florida, and to have, exercise, and enjoy the powers and privileges granted to corporations not for profit by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

To do all and everything necessary, suitable, and proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes, of the attainment of any of the objects, or for the furtherance of the powers herein set forth, either alone or in association with other corporations, firms, or individuals, and to do every other act or acts, thing or things, incidental or appurtenant to or growing out of or connected with the aforesaid business of powers, or any part thereof; provided, that the same be not inconsistent with the laws under which this corporation is organized.

The purposes for which **FONDATION HAITIENNE DE SECOURS MUTUEL, INC.**, is organized are exclusively charitable, scientific, literary and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations within the meaning of section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

In pursuit of its goals, the organization shall establish the following objectives:

- 1) To promote and defend poor Haitian families rights in Haitian Courts;
- 2) To ensure protection of citizens by providing them free legal assistance;
- 3) To ensure legal representation of community-based organizations;
- 4) To provide technical and legal assistance to other human rights organizations that representing poor families, and
- 5) To ensure that school-aged children attend school as mandated by the Haitian Constitution.

ARTICLE IV

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 on 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 © (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 © (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE V

Members shall qualify for admission, and shall be admitted as members, in accordance with the by-laws of this corporation. A two-thirds vote of the membership shall be required for the election of new directors or for the removal of current directors. Annually, during the month of December, the membership shall elect, from among those nominees previously approved by the **Executive Committee** of the Board, those members receiving the highest number of votes as there are vacancies.

ARTICLE VI

ELECTION AND TERM

Annually, during the month of December, the membership shall elect, from among those nominees previously approved by the **Executive Committee** of the Board, those members receiving the highest number of votes as there are vacancies. Each elected Director shall serve a term of office for a period of three (3) years. Any elected Director may be re-elected for an additional three (3) year term.

ARTICLE VII

The street address of the registered office of this corporation is:

11704 NW 1st Avenue, Miami, Florida 33168

ARTICLE VII

This corporation shall have as directors those persons designated in this Article below. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than seven (7) nor, more than twenty one (21). The names and addresses of the directors of this corporation are:

NAME

ADDRESS

Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon, President	11704 NW 1 st Avenue, Miami, Florida 33168
Sadrac Laguerre, 1 st Vice President	6333 SW 20 th Court, Hollywood, Florida 33023
Dr. Edith Content, 2 nd Vice President	46, Rue des Casernes, Port-au-Prince, Haiti
Jean Claude Charles, Secretary	11701 SW 177th Ter. Miami, Florida 33177
Reginald Artus, Ass't Secretary	Paquot, Rue 4, No. 57, Port-au-Prince, Haiti
Emmanuel Pierre, Treasurer	3333 NW 38 th Street, Miami, Florida 33269
Dr. Batravail, Ass't Treasurer	Rue Brun Ricot No. 31, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

ARTICLE VIII

The names and addresses of the officers who are to conduct the business of this corporation until those elected at the first election are as follows:

NAME

ADDRESS

Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon, President	11704 NW 1 st Avenue, Miami, Florida 33168
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ARTICLE IX

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 © (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. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation 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.

The name and address of the person signing these Articles is:

NAME

ADDRESS

Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon, President 11704 NW 1st Avenue, Miami, Florida 33168

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 11th day of October, 2005.


Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon, President

ARTICLE X

In compliance with section 48.091, Florida statutes, the following is submitted:

FONDATION HAITIENNE DE SECOURS MUTUEL, INC., desiring to organize or qualify under the laws of the state of Florida with its principal place of business at:

11704 NW 1st Avenue, Miami, Florida 33168

has named:

Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon, as its agent to accept service of process within Florida.

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of duties.


Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 11th day of October, 2005


Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon, President

STATE OF FLORIDA)
) ss:
COUNTY OF DADE)

BEFORE ME, a notary public authorized to take acknowledgments in this state and county set forth above, personally appeared: **Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon**, known to me and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed these Articles of Incorporation.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 11th day of October, 2005, by **Dr. Fedna Jean Colignon**, President, who is personally known to me or who has produced his passport as identification.

Roger E. Biambry
Notary Signature

ROGER E. BIAMBRY
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: 06-27-06

