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SUBJECT: Melvin D. Smith Memorial Scholarship Foundation, 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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MELVIN D. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC.

In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 617.01 et., seq., of Florida Statutes, the undersigned desiring to incorporate a nonprofit corporation, hereby states that:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is: Melvin D. Smith Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

ARTICLE II

The address of the corporation's initial principal office is: 14155 North Miami Avenue, Miami, FL 33168

ARTICLE III

The corporation is incorporated exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes permitted within the scope of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, including but not limited to, equipping young people to accomplish educational goals..

ARTICLE IV

The corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit, incidental or otherwise.

ARTICLE V

The corporation is organized upon a nonstock basis.

ARTICLE VI

The corporation shall have no voting member other than the members of the board of directors.

ARTICLE VII

The corporation will have a minimum of five (5) but no more than fifteen (15) directors. Any vacancies on the board of directors shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining directors.

ARTICLE VIII

<u>Section 8.1</u>. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to the corporation's officers, directors or private individual, but the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for service rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof,

<u>Section 8.2</u>. No officer or director of the corporation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation.

<u>Section 8.3</u>. 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 or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Section 8.4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall not carry on other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Sections 501 (c)(3) and 509(a)(1), (2) or (3) of the Code, or by a corporation contributions of which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Code.

ARTICLE IX

The names, addresses and titles of the initial Officer/Directors and Directors are:

President

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Bernice R. Smith 14155 N. Miami Ave. Miami, FL 33168

Vice President

Buena Dudley 17073 NW 23rd Street Pembroke Pines, FL 33028

Treasurer

Alice Bostic 17211 NW 22nd Avenue Miami, FL 33056 Secretary

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Patricia Daniels

17240 NW 17th Avenue Miami Gardens, FL 33056

Chaplin

Alexander Bostic, Jr. 17211 NW 22nd Ave. Miami, FL 33056

Financial Secretary

Alma G. Brown 301 NW 51st St. Miami, FL 33127

Director

Clarnece Mitchell 525 Zulema St. Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Director

Tayon Mitchell 525 Zulema St. Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Director

Lawrence Moncrief 9425 Peabody Court Boca Raton, FL 33496

Director

Cheryl Nowell 6346 NW 170th Terrace Hialeah, FL 33015

Director

Gloria Oswald 9535 SW 24th St. Miami, FL 33165

Director

Michael Robinson 7301 SW 5th Street Plantation, FL 33317

Director

Norbert C. Williams 5400 NW 64th Terrace Lauderhill, FL 33319

ARTICLE X

The name and address of the Registered Agent is:

Norbert C. Williams 5400 NW 64th Terrace Lauderhill, FL 33319

ARTICLE XI

It is intended that the corporation shall have the status of a corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(a) of the Code and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. These Articles shall be construed accordingly, and all powers and activities of the corporation shall be limited accordingly.

ARTICLE XII

The term of existence of the corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE XIII

Upon dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for public purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction 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.

ARTICLE XIV

Any person (and the heirs, executors and administrators of such person) made or threatened to be made a party to any action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of the corporation shall be indemnified by the corporation against any and all liability and the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and disbursements, incurred by him or her (or by his or her heirs, executors, or administrators) in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appearance therein, except in relation to matters as to which it shall he adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding that such director or officer is liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his or her duties. Such right on indemnification shall not be deemed

exclusive of any other rights to which such director or officer (or such heirs, executors or administrators) may be entitled apart from this Article.

ARTICLE XV

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation are as follows:

Bernice R. Smith 14155 N. Miami Ave. Miami, FL 33168

ARTICLE XVI

The name and address of the Registered Agent is:

Norbert C. Williams 5400 NW 64th Terrace Lauderhill, FL 33319

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the incorporator has signed and sealed these Articles of Incorporation of the corporation this $\frac{\sum_{i} s_{i}}{\sum_{j} s_{i}}$ day of $\frac{\text{November}}{\text{November}}$, 2005.

Bernice R. Smith

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.

Accepted \

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