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Brothers United Together, Inc.
(B.U.T., Inc.)
P.O. Box 554
Woodville, Florida 32362

**Articles of Incorporation
Brothers United Together, Inc.**

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Article I.

The **name** of the non-profit corporation shall be Brothers United Together, Inc. as designated and named by its President and Board of Directors. The principal **place of business** of this non-profit corporation shall be:

P.O. Box 552
Woodville, Florida 32362

The **mailing address** of this non-profit corporation shall also be:

P.O. Box 554
Woodville, Florida 32362

Article II.

The **period of this non-profit corporation** is perpetual, unless dissolved according to law. Corporate existence shall commence upon date of incorporation.

Article III.

Brothers United Together, Inc. is **organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes**, including, for such purposes the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of section 501(c)3 purposes. 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 distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, 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 section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue 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 a public purpose.

Article IV.

The overall **purpose** of the Brother's United Together, Inc. is to develop programs and activities for at-risk males ages ten (10) to eighteen (18) that will prevent them from entering the criminal justice system and/or imminent death.

Additionally, Brothers United Together, Inc. will sensitize and train law enforcement officers in the needs and concerns of the target population, as well as assist at-risk males in understanding the role and responsibility of law enforcement in the community.

Specific programs and activities include:

- A. Developing late hour programs to deter illegal activity and loitering after sports, fairs and other events.
- B. Providing transportation to at-risk males loitering after-hours.
- C. Providing weekly workshops that entail anger management, career counseling, setting goals, the role of law enforcement, homework assistance and tutoring, self-esteem enhancement and other topics as determined necessary through weekly evaluations.
- D. Providing strong male mentors from law enforcement and segments of the community for each participant to enhance their possibilities of success and strengthen the bond between community and law.
- E. This non-profit corporation will also acquire, buy, hold, own, sell, exchange, hypothecate, convey, or otherwise dispose of goods, chattels and merchandise, bequest, and/or acquire by gift, annuity, lands and chattels.

Article V.

The **Board of Directors** are initially and henceforth appointed by the President of the Board. The manner in which the Board of Directors is appointed shall be determined by the President and that determination is set forth herein to include:

- A. persons who are knowledgeable and/or in the field of law enforcement, social work, child and family care, education and the criminal justice system..
- B. individuals who are knowledgeable in grant writing and networking with state and federal government agencies.
- C. the appointment of no less than three and no more than five members to serve a term of two years on the Brothers United Together, Inc. Board.
- D. the appointment of members of the Board based on the individuals ability to contribute in terms of providing suggestions, information and other qualifications deemed necessary by the President.

- E. the appointment of each Board member to understand that their services are in an advisory capacity for the promotion, maintenance and sustaining of the corporation.
- F. the understanding that the decisions requested by the Board President will be made by a majority vote and provided to the President as a recommendation.
- G. the understanding that the President will hold the ultimate decision upon forwarding of recommendations to the President.

Article VI.

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

Nathaniel Maxwell

11 Bo Bo J Road,
Crawfordville Florida 32327

Article VII.

This non-profit corporation shall at all times be controlled by the President with a majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Brothers United Together, Inc. present at any regular or special meeting duly called.

Article VIII.

The **officers** of this non-profit corporation shall be a President, Vice President and Secretary. The names of the officers are as follows:

Nathaniel Maxwell, Jr. (President)
P.O. Box 554
Woodville, Florida 32362

Tawanna Maxwell (Vice President)
P.O. Box 554
Woodville, Florida 32362

Cedric D. Maxwell (Secretary)
13005 Oakmont Wood Court
Riverview, Florida 33569

Alphonso Craig
6035 Valley Green Road
Lithonia, Georgia 30058

Article IX.

The By-Laws of this non-profit corporation and any change in amendments to the Articles of Incorporation are to be made, altered or rescinded by a two-thirds vote of the qualified members of the Board of Directors of the corporation at a regular or special business meeting, providing a ten day written notice of the purpose has been sent to all known members by the United States mail at the last known address.

Article X.

This non-profit corporation is organized under a **non-stock** basis.

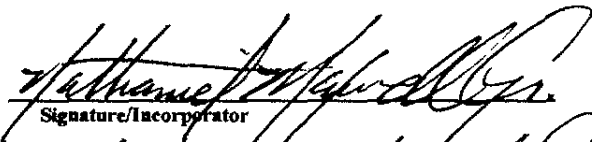
Article XI.

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)3 and 170 (c)2 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the Federal, State or local government for exclusive public purpose.

Article XII.

The **name and address** of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

Nathaniel Maxwell, Jr.
P.O. Box 554
Woodville, Florida 32362


Signature/Incorporator


Date


Signature/Initial Registered Agent


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