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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION SECULTIVAL OF STATE FOR FONDATION JACOUES STEPHEN ALEXIS, INAL AHASSEE, FLORIDA

Pursuant to and in compliance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, this Florida not for profit corporation adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

## ARTICLE I: NAME OF NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

The name of this corporation is Fondation Jacques Stephen Alexis, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The place in this state where the principal office of the corporation is to be located is:

1835 N.E. Miami Gardens Drive, Suite 404 North Miami Beach, Florida 33179

#### ARTICLE III: PURPOSE

Said corporation 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. Additionally, the corporation wants to further artistic, musical and cultural knowledge by fostering the availability of art, music and literary work to others. The corporation seeks to nurture awareness of Haitian culture through seminars and workshops and increase the availability of Haitian culture to young Haitians, Caribbean communities, and others in North America and the world. The corporation may engage in any other lawful business approved by its board of directors, and the corporation shall have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect its purpose.

#### ARTICLE IV: INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors or officers of the corporation are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	Address	<u>Title</u>
Jean-Jacques Stephen Alexis	1835 N.E. Miami Gardens Drive, Suite 404 North Miami Beach, Florida 33179	President
Andree Roumer	1835 N.E. Miami Gardens Drive, Suite 404 North Miami Beach, Florida 33179	Vice-President
Harry Toussaint	1835 N.E. Miami Gardens Drive, Suite 404 North Miami Beach, Florida 33179	Secretary
Klawdia Proia	1835 N.E. Miami Gardens Drive, Suite 404 North Miami Beach, Florida 33179	Treasurer

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#### ARTICLE V: MANNER OF ELECTION

The succeeding directors and officers of the corporation shall be elected in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the bylaws for the corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII: CORPORATE NET EARNINGS

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 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 the purposes set forth in Article III hereof. 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. 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.

#### ARTICLE SIX: DEDICATION OF ASSETS, DISTRIBUTION ON DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the 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. 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 VI. REGISTERED AGENT

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

Heather R. Schwarz, Esq. Rothstein Rosenfeldt Adler 100 North Tampa Street, Suite 3310 Tampa, Florida 33602

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## ARTICLE VII. INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing these Articles as Incorporator:

Heather R. Schwarz, Esq. Rothstein Rosenfeldt Adler 100 North Tampa Street, Suite 3310 Tampa, Florida 33602

The Incorporator shall not be liable, in any form or fashion, for any acts or omissions of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment hereto.

#### ARTICLE IX: EFFECTIVE DATE

The Effective Date of this corporation is the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2006.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 22nd day of April, 2006.

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

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.

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2006.

Registered Agent

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