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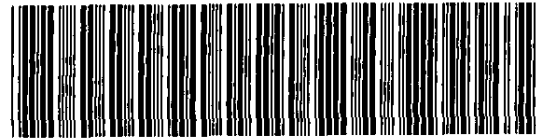
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SUBJECT: THURSTON FAMILY FOUNDATION INC.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed are an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

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☐ \$78.75  
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☐ \$87.50  
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**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

FROM: KENNETH R. THURSTON

Name (Printed or typed)

4360 WEST OAKLAND PARK BLVD

Address

LAUDERDALE LAKES, FL 33313

City, State & Zip

954-640-6100 X 111

Daytime Telephone number

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
THURSTON FAMILY FOUNDATION, INC.  
A FLORIDA NON PROFIT CORPORATION

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ARTICLE I  
Corporate Name

The name of this corporation shall be THURSTON FAMILY FOUNDATION, INC. Its principal address shall be 4360 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Lauderdale Lakes, Florida 33313.

ARTICLE II  
Corporate Nature

This is a nonprofit corporation, organized solely for general educational and charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not For Profit law set forth in Section 617 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE III  
Duration

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV  
General and Specific Purposes

The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are:

- a) for the advancement of education and any other related or corresponding charitable purposes by the distribution of its funds for such purposes.
- b) To provide scholarships to students.
- c) to operate exclusively in any other manner for such educational purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, (or the corresponding provision of any other applicable Internal Revenue Law) as amended, or under any corresponding provision of any subsequent federal tax laws, covering the distributions to organizations qualified as tax exempt organizations under the Internal Revenue Code, including private foundations and private operating foundations.

ARTICLE V  
Management of Corporate Affairs

a) Board of Trustees. The power of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Trustees. The number of Trustees of the corporation shall be thirteen (13), however, that number may be changed by a bylaw duly adopted by the members.

The Trustees named herein as the first Board of Trustees shall hold office until the first meeting of members at which time an election of Trustees shall be held.

Trustees elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one (1) year until the annual meeting of members following the election of Trustees and until the qualification of the successors in office. Annual meetings shall be held at Lauderdale Lakes, Florida on the fourth Friday of June of each year at 4:00 P.M., or at such other times or places as the Board of Trustees may designate from time to time by resolution.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Trustees under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board, and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the Trustees. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Trustees without a meeting, and that the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of this corporation authorize the Trustees to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The names and addresses of such initial members of the Board of Trustees are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Kenneth R. Thurston Board Chair	4360 W, Oakland Pk Blvd Lauderdale Lakes, Fl 33313
Perry E. Thurston, Sr. Board Vice-Chair	2510 N W 4 <sup>th</sup> Street Pompano Beach, Fl 33069
Antoine Thurston Secretary	2569 7 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Apt 19J New York, NY 10039
Leona T. Sumpter	820 W. Crawford Street Quincy, Fl 32351

Alfred Ernest Thurston	700 N W 18 <sup>th</sup> Street Pompano Beach, Fl 33060
Rosetta Griffith Branch	718 Carroll Street Brooklyn, NY 11215
Theodus Thurston	1531 N W 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street Pompano Beach, Fl 33060
Henry V. Thurston, Sr.	1074 Cato Street Atlanta, GA 30318
Margaret T. Ricks	640 N W 16 <sup>th</sup> Street Pompano Beach, Fl 33060
Joyce T. McGirt	124 N W 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Pompano Beach, Fl 33060
Darlene A. Thurston	5141 Ridgewood Road Jackson, MS 34211
Larry B. Thurston	3431 Sahara Springs Blvd Pompano Beach, Fl 33069

b) Corporate Officers. The Board of Trustees shall elect the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as the bylaws of this corporation may authorize the Trustees to elect from time to time, initially, such officers shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the Board of Trustees.

#### ARTICLE VI Earnings and Activities of Corporation

a) 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 IV hereof.

b) 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.

c) 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 of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

d) Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII Distribution of Assets

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Trustees shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Trustees shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as such Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

#### ARTICLE VIII Subscribers

The names and residence addresses of the Subscribers of this corporation are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Kenneth R. Thurston Board Chair	4360 W, Oakland Pk Blvd Lauderdale Lakes, Fl 33313
Perry E. Thurston, Sr. Board Vice-Chair	2510 N W 4 <sup>th</sup> Street Pompano Beach, Fl 33069

ARTICLE IX  
Amendment of Bylaws

Subject to the limitations contained in the Bylaws, and any limitations set forth in the Corporations Not For Profit law of the State of Florida, concerning corporate action that much be authorized or approved by the trustees of the corporation, Bylaws of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new Bylaws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the Board of Trustees, or by following the procedure set forth therefore in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE X  
Declaration of Assets

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to educational and charitable purposes, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any trustee or officer thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

ARTICLE XI  
Registered Agent and Office

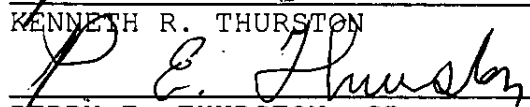
The address of the corporation's registered office shall be 4360 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Lauderdale Lakes, Florida 33313, and the name of its registered agent at said office shall be KENNETH R. THURSTON.

ARTICLE XII  
Amendment of Articles

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees and presented to a quorum of members for their vote.

We, the undersigned, being the subscribers and incorporators of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 23 day of June, 2006.

  
KENNETH R. THURSTON

  
PERRY E. THURSTON, SR.

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF BROWARD

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared and KENNETH R. THURSTON, and PERRY E. THURSTON, SR., personally known to me to be the persons who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and they acknowledged to and before me that they executed such instrument.

23 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day of June, 2006.

Notary Stamped



Patricia Shytle  
My Commission DD294084  
Expires June 10, 2006

Patricia Shytle  
Notary Public

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE  
FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE  
NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM SERVICE MAY BE SERVED

Pursuant to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act.

First: That THURSTON FAMILY FOUNDATION, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at Lauderdale Lakes, Florida, and KENNETH R. THURSTON, 4360 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Lauderdale Lakes, Florida 33313, as its agent to accept service of process within this state,

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

Kenneth R. Thurston  
Kenneth R. THURSTON  
Registered Agent