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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF TWENTY PEARLS FOUNDATION, INC.

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The undersigned hereby associate together for the purpose of becoming a corporation most of FLORIDA profit under Chapter 617, Laws of the State of Florida, providing for the formation, liability, rights, privileges and immunities of a corporation not for profit.

#### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be Twenty Pearls Foundation, Inc. a charitable and educational arm of Mu Upsilon Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

## ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The Corporation's initial place of business is 5808 S.W. 49<sup>th</sup> Street, Gainesville, FL 32608 and mailing address is P.O. Box 140562, Gainesville, FL 32614-0562

#### ARTICLE III CORPORATE NATURE

This nonprofit corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes, within the meaning of Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted, or hereafter amended, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding sections of any future federal tax code; including but not limited to stimulated programs of service activities which shall ensure that the entire community will benefit, pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not For Profit Law, set forth in section 617, Florida Statutes or the corresponding provision of future Florida Law.

#### ARTICLE IV DURATION

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual, unless dissolved by law.

#### ARTICLE V GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PURPOSES

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

- A. To raise the economic, educational and social levels of the residents of the community who are in need of educational, financial and moral support.
- B. To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

- C. To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering or attaining of the foregoing purposes, whether directly or indirectly and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others being persons, or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, associations, trusts, institutions, foundations or governmental bureaus, departments or agencies.
- D. The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### ARTICLE VI LIMITATIONS

At all times the following shall govern to restrict the operations and activities of the corporation:

- 1. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of and be distributable to any member of the corporation not qualifying as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, nor to any Director or officer of the corporation, nor to any other private persons, excepting solely such reasonable compensation that the corporation shall pay for services actually rendered to the corporation, or allowed by the corporation as a reasonable allowance for authorized expenditures incurred on behalf of the corporation.
- 2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation to the extent as would result in the loss of its exemption from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the code, or any initiative or referendum before the public, except as otherwise provided in section 501(h) of the Code, and its expenditures to influence legislation shall not exceed the permissible limits of sections 501(h) and 4911 of the Code, to the extent applicable, and shall not be of the type or magnitude which would subject the corporation to tax under section 4911 of the Code, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended or which would subject it to tax under section 4955 of the Code.
- 4. The corporation shall not lend any of its assets to any officer, director, or member of this corporation or guarantee to any person the payment of a loan by an officer or director of this corporation.

### ARTICLE VII MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

A. Board of Directors. The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, it properties controlled, and it affairs conducted by a Board of Directors, consisting of not less than nine (9) persons.

The directors named herein as the first Board of Directors shall hold office until the first meeting, at which time the elected Directors shall be named.

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

LaKay A. Banks 1335 S.E. 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Gainesville, FL 32641

Florida Bridgewater-Alford 581 S.W. 33<sup>rd</sup> Place Gainesville, FL 32601

Cynthia N. Batts 7824 N.W. 53<sup>rd</sup> Way Gainesville, FL 32653

Cynthia M. Chestnut 911 N.E. Blvd. Gainesville, FL 32601

Joyce L. Daniels 1414 S.W. 112nd Street Gainesville, FL 32607 Sharla D. Head-Jones 3631 N.E. 156<sup>th</sup> Avenue Gainesville, FL 32609

Dlyonne L. McGraw 4331 N.W. 21<sup>st</sup> Terrace Gainesville, FL 32605

Telisha S. Martin 4425 N.W. 44<sup>th</sup> Place Gainesville, FL 32606

Yvonne C. Rawls 5808 S.W. 49<sup>th</sup> Street Gainesville, FL 32608

B. Corporate Officers. The Board of Directors shall include the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as the by-laws of this corporation may authorize. Initially, such officers shall be elected at the first meeting of the Board of Directors. Until such election is held, the following persons shall serve as corporate officers:

Yvonne C. Rawls - President 5808 S.W. 49<sup>th</sup> Street Gainesville, FL 32608

Florida Bridgewater-Alford – Vice President 581 S.W. 33<sup>rd</sup> Place Gainesville, FL 32601

Sharla D. Head-Jones - Secretary 3631 N.E. 156<sup>th</sup> Avenue Gainesville, FL 32609

Telisha S. Martin - Treasurer 4425 N.W. 44<sup>th</sup> Place Gainesville, FL 32606

#### ARTICLE VIII MEMBERSHIP

The qualification for members and the manner of their admission shall be regulated by the bylaws of this corporation.

## ARTICLE IX 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 a qualified 501(c)(3) organization as under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code, 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 organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes or is a qualified 501(c)(3) organization as under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code

## ARTICLE X CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A Board Member (Director) or any other business or person, having a conflict of interest or a conflict of responsibility on any matter involving the Corporation, shall refrain from voting on such matter. No Board member or officer or employee of the Organization shall use his or her position as a trustee or officer or employee of the organization for his/her own direct or indirect financial gain.

## ARTICLE XI INCORPORATOR

The incorporator of this corporation is Yvonne C. Rawls.

The undersigned	incorporator	certifies	that she	executes	theses.	Articles	tor the	purpose	nerei
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#### CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered agent, in the State of Florida.

- 1. The name of the corporation is Twenty Pearls Foundation, Inc.
- The name and address of the registered agent and office is Yvonne C. Rawls
   5808 S.W. 49<sup>th</sup> Street
   Gainesville, Florida 32608

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. I further agree to comply with the provision of all statues relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and obligations of my position as registered agent.

Yvonne C. Rawls

Name of Registered Agent

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Signature of Registered Agent Dat

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