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EAST TAMPA CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.

In Compliance with Chapter 617.F.S. (Not For Profit)

The undersigned Incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to Section 617.0202 of the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, does hereby certify as follows:

- 1. The name of the Corporation is: East Tampa Charter School, Inc. (the "Corporation").
- 2. The principal office and mailing address of the Corporation is c/o Curtis Stokes, 6211 Greenwich Drive, Tampa Palms, FL 33647.
- 3. The purpose of the Corporation is to provide and operate a high quality charter school for an underserved population, as well as the education of charter school students.
- 4. The 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 of 1986 as amended (the "Code"), or corresponding provisions of any subsequent or other federal tax laws.
- 5. 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 Section 3 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 Code, or by a Corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

- 6. In any taxable year in which the Corporation is a private foundation as defined under Section 509 of the Code:
 - A. The Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as shall not subject it to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Code or corresponding provisions of any subsequent or other federal tax laws.
 - B. The Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Code or corresponding provisions of any subsequent or other federal tax laws.
 - C. The Corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Code or corresponding provisions of any subsequent or other federal tax laws.
 - D. The Corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under section 4944 of the Code or corresponding provisions of any subsequent or other federal tax laws.
- 7. Upon the dissolution of the Corporation or the winding up of its affairs, the assets of the Corporation shall be distributed exclusively to charitable, religious, scientific or educational organizations which would then qualify under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and the regulations or corresponding provisions of any subsequent or federal tax laws.
- 8. The manner in which Directors are elected and appointed are by vote of the voting members of the Corporation.

9. The names and addresses of the persons constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be:

NAME	ADDRESS
Stanley Simmons	110 LaSalle Drive Kenmore, NY 14217
Curtis Stokes	6211 Greenwich Drive Tampa Palms, FL 33647
Margaret Bicz	275 Bayshore Blvd. Tampa, FL 33606-2328

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

NRAI Services, Inc. 2731 Executive Drive Suite 4 Westen, FL 33331

- 11. The Corporation shall be perpetual unless sooner dissolved.
- 12. The incorporator is of eighteen (18) years of age and over and name and address is as follows:

Jonathan D. Schechter, Esq. Gross, Shuman, Brizdle & Gilfillan, P.C. 465 Main Street, Suite 600 Buffalo, NY 14203

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles on this 27th day of July, 2007.

Jonathan D. Schechter

Incorporator

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the 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: July <u>30</u>, 2007

REGISTERED AGENT

By: Earison, Assistant Secretary

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