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September 27, 2007

Secretary of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Voices for Justice, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am enclosing herewith the following items regarding the incorporation of the above referenced corporation, to wit:

- 1. Articles of Incorporation
- 2. A check payable to the Secretary of State in the amount of \$87.50 For Filing Fees \$35.00, Registered Agent Designation \$35.00, Certificate of Status \$8.75 and Certified Copy \$8.75.

Please file these documents on our behalf and remit the Certificate of Incorporation to the undersigned.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Iram Octave Grandoit

Cc: Voices for Justice, Inc.



October 2, 2007

HIRAM OCTAVE GRANDOIT 4690 LIPSCOMB ST SUITE 6F PALM BAY, FL 33905

SUBJECT: VOICES FOR JUSTICE, INC.

Ref. Number: W07000048775

We have received your document for VOICES FOR JUSTICE, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

You must list the corporation's principal street address and/or a mailing address in the document. A post office box is not acceptable for the principal address.

The registered agent must have a Florida street address. A post office box is not acceptable.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6933.

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#### **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION** Of **VOICES FOR JUSTICE**

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A Florida "Not for Profit" Corporation In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a Corporation under Chapter 617 of AFI or Ida STATE Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### Article I. Name of Corporation

The name of the Corporation shall be: Voices for Justice, Inc.

#### Article II. **Principal Office**

The principal place of business and mailing address of this Corporation shall be: 1804 Shayne Lane NE, Palm Bay, FL 32905

#### Article III. Purpose

The purposes for which this Corporation is formed are exclusively religious, charitable and educational and consist of the following:

To advocate for the voiceless populations in our midst by,

- Establishing relationships and trust with the voiceless;
- Educating all people regarding human and civil rights and responsibilities; social and economic issues; and community resources;
- Building relationships and finding common ground in order to achieve just and humane solutions to challenging social issues and mobilizing the community to take action;
- Collaborating with other people and justice organizations to identify and make better use of resources.

All the foregoing purposes shall be exercised exclusively as a faith based, charitable and educational corporation in such a manner that the Corporation will qualify as an exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

#### Article IV. Restrictions

#### A. CORPORATE PURPOSES:

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal and state income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

- B. EXCLUSIVITY: The Corporation is organized exclusively as a faith based organization for charitable and educational purposes.
- C. NO PRIVATE INUREMENT: The Corporation is not organized nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. The Corporation shall not distribute any gains, profits or dividends to the Directors, Officers, or Members thereof, or to any individual, except as reasonable compensation for services actually performed in carrying out the Corporation's charitable and educational purposes. The property, assets, profits and net income of the Corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes no part of which shall inure to the benefit of any individual.
- D. LOBBYING AND POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS: No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

#### Article V. Initial Registered Officer and Registered Agent

The name and address of the registered agent of this Corporation is Hiram O Grandoit located at 4690 Lipscomb St NE Suite 6F, Palm Bay, Florida 32905.

#### Article VI. Initial Directors are flected

- A. <u>Number</u>. The Directors of the Corporation shall consist of no fewer than three (3) Directors and no more than the maximum number determined by the by-laws of the corporation as amended from time to time. The initial Board of Directors is as follows:
  - B. Initial Directors. The initial Board of Directors is as follows:

Kathy Fox, 1812 Amberwood Drive SE, Palm Bay, FL 32909

Hiram O. Grandoit, 4690 Lipscomb St NE Suite 6F, Palm Bay, FL 32905

Martha Lushman-Zayas, 1804 Shayne Lane NE, Palm Bay, FL 32905

- C. <u>Powers</u>. The Board of Directors shall govern the Corporation, and shall have all the rights and powers of a board of directors under the laws of the State of Florida and of the United States, as well as such other rights and authority as are herein granted. Such rights and powers shall include, but not be limited to, the power to adopt and amend the by-laws and other corporate governing documents (except these Articles of Incorporation), by a majority vote, in any way not inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation, the laws of the State of Florida, or the laws of the United States.
- D. <u>Term</u>. The term of each member on the Board of Directors shall be as established in the by-laws.
- E. <u>Amendment</u>. The Board of Directors shall have the power to amend these Articles of Incorporation by a majority vote of the Directors then in office, in any way not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Florida or of the United States.

#### Article VII. Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Martha Lushman-Zayas, 1804 Shayne Lane NE, Palm Bay, FL 32905

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#### Article VIII. Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of all debts and liabilities shall be distributed to an organization recognized as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to be used exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. If the Corporation holds any assets in trust, such assets shall be disposed of in such a manner as may be directed by decree of the Circuit Court of the district in which the Corporation's principal office is located, upon petition thereof by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.

The undersigned incorporator has made and subscribed these Articles for Incorporation this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2007.

Martha Lushman-Zayas, Incorporator

#### **ACCEPTANCE AS REGISTERED AGENT**

Having been named as registered agent for the above mentioned Corporation, at the place designated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, I hereby accept such designation and agree to act in such capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties as registered agent. I am familiar with, and accept the duties and obligations of, £ 607.0505 of Florida Statutes.

Done this 27th day of Septembe 27, 2007

Hiram O Grandoit, Registered Agent