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

SUBJECT: Youth an	d Community Empowern	nent Services, Inc. (YES, inc)	
	(PROPOSED CORPORATE	E NAME – <u>MUST INCLU</u>	DE SUFFIX)	
Enclosed is an original a	and one(1) copy of the Article	es of Incorporation and s	a check for ·	
\$70.00 Filing Fee	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate	
		ADDITIONAL CO	PY REQUIRED	
FROM:	Olive S. Wedderburn Name (Prin	ated or typed)	-	
P.O. Box 5634 Address			-	
Ft. Pierce, FL 34954 City, State & Zip				
	772-940-4992			

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

Daytime Telephone number

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

Youth and Community Empowerment Services, Inc.

YES, Inc. is an acronym for Youth and Community Empowerment Services, In

ATRICLE II PRINCIPLE OFFICE

The Principle place of business and mailing address of the corporation shall be:

Principle place of business: 2903 Langston Drive, Ft. Pierce, FL 34946

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 5634 Ft. Pierce, FL 34954

ATRICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

The specific and primary purpose for which this corporation is formed is to operate for the furtherance of the common good and general welfare of the community, and for other charitable purposes, by distribution of its funds for such purposes, but not limited to:

- Provide assistance to young people and the overall community suffering from HIV/AIDS.
 Promote healthy life styles among community youth and provide educational endeavors.
 The efforts will focus on social change, mental health, community support and human development (substance abuse, relationship issues, domestic violence, sex/sexuality, family, spirituality, development and vocational issues included).
- 2) To provide leadership, direction and support to ensure that all youth have an equal opportunity to succeed and become an asset to the community. We will provide whatever is needed to adapt, empower and strengthen the youth of our community as a model for other communities to follow.
- 3) Provide and assist in fair housing, outreach and counseling program revitalization.
- 4) Create and implement projects providing interventions, prevention/education and research efforts for a diverse community.
- 5) To provide opportunities for career training, guaranteed employment and/or small business/management ownership. Create various support services to individuals currently viewed as economically disadvantaged and "unemployable", to own, manage and operate businesses that develop entrepreneurial and management skills. Support services will include, but not limited to childcare and transportation. Assisting the "unemployable" to move from unemployment to a working class from dependent to independent.
- 6) Utilizing local, state and federal funding, donations, investors, loans and grant to provide Academic assistance, housing, community and Economic Development for the poor and homeless, youth building and mentorship and drug elimination.
- 7) Said organization 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 8) No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the

- organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for series rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof.
- 9) No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and organization 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.
- 10) Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 11) Upon the dissolution of the organization, the Board shall after paying and making provisions for payment of all liabilities of the organization, shall distribute all assets for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for public purposes. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Plea of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:

The initial members of the Board of Directors and Officers were appointed and accepted their positions by mutual and unanimous decision. Members of the Board of Directors and Officers will be elected by three-fourths majority vote of the current Officers. The term of membership for the Officers will be lifetime; but Officers can resign at any time. The general Board of Directors will have a term of five years, and will be limited to ten members. A general member of the Board of Directors can be removed by a unanimous decision of the Officers. All nominees to the Board of Directors will be submitted by the Officers.

<u>ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS</u>

List name(s), address (es) and specific title(s):

Officers

Olive Wedderburn, CEO/Founder, PO Box 5634, Ft. Pierce, FL 34954 Ruth Davis, President, 517 North 15th Street, Ft. Pierce, FL 34950 Narciss Plummer, 1st Vice President, 2703 Avenue J, Ft. Pierce, FL 34947 Monique O Mays, 2nd Vice President, 13923 Sorrel Grove Court, Houston, TX 77047 Arnold Wedderburn, Treasure, PO Box 5634, Ft. Pierce, FL 34954 April Wedderburn, Secretary, 3241 Mura Drive, Ft. Pierce, FL 34982

General Board Members

Derrell Mays, Director, 13923 Sorrel Grove Court, Houston, TX 77047 Alazia Woodard, Youth, 3241 Mura Drive, Ft. Pierce, FL 34954 Dr. Michael Sears, 1545 Talbrook Court, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952 Peggy Harris, 2702 Avenue I, Ft. Pierce, FL 34947 Nathaniel Wells, 609 North 23rd Street, Ft. Pierce, FL 34950 Marvin Grimsley, 618 Dundas Court, Ft. Pierce, FL 34950



ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address (P.O. Box NOT acceptable) of the registered agent is:

Olive S. Wedderburn, 2903 Langston Drive, Ft. Pierce, FL 34946

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is: Olive S. Wedderburn, P.O. Box 5634 Ft. Pierce, FL 34954

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for 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.

Ölive S. Wedderburn

Signature/Registered Agent

1/29/UC Date

Olive S. Wedderburn

Signature/Incorporator