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February 11, 2008

Corporate Records Bureau Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Brooklyn Community Development Foundation, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed herewith for processing are the original and one copy of the proposed Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced corporation, together with a check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the necessary charges.

If further information or monies are required, please contact our office. We would appreciate your returning to this firm a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL S. SMITH

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## BROOKLYN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, STORY

The undersigned, acting as the incorporator for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation, pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

## ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the Corporation is BROOKLYN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

## ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The initial mailing address of the principal place of business of this corporation in the State of Florida is: Post Office Box 789, Perry, Florida 32348 and the physical address is 10255, F.A. Ash Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32311.

## ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are as follows:

- A. To receive and administer funds and to operate exclusively for religious, charitable, literary or educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or comparable provisions of subsequent legislation (the "Code").
- B. To acquire, own, purchase, lease, dispose of and deal with real and personal property and interest, either absolutely or in trust therein and to apply gifts, grants, bequests, and devises and the proceeds thereof in furtherance of the purposes of the corporation.
- C. To do such things and to perform such acts to accomplish its purposes as the Board of Trustees may determine to be appropriate as are not forbidden by Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, with

all the power conferred on nonprofit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE IV TERM

Corporate existence shall commence upon filing these Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State and the term of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

#### ARTICLE V POWERS

The Corporation shall have all of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida that are not in conflict with the terms of these Articles; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on an activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

### ARTICLE VI LIMITATIONS

The Corporation shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes as a nonprofit corporation. No individual trustee or member of the corporation shall have any title to or interest in the corporate property or earnings in his or her individual or private capacity and no part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any director, trustee, officer, member or any private shareholder or individual. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation, nor shall the corporation participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

## ARTICLE VII MEMBERS

Qualification for membership in the Corporation, the manner of members' admission and

membership voting rights shall be provided for in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE VIII TRUSTEES

- (a) Powers: All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Trustees.
- (b) Number: The number of trustees shall be determined from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three trustees, and, in the absence of any such determination, shall be three trustees.
- (c) Election; Removal: Trustees shall be elected or removed in accordance with the procedure provided in the Bylaws.
- (d) Initial Officers: The names and address of the initial officers to hold office until the first annual meeting of members and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified are as follows:

President

#### NAME AND ADDRESS

REVEREND DONALD L. McBRIDE 10255 F.A. Ash Way

Tallahassee, Florida 32311

SARAH E. JONES Secretary

101 West Armstrong Street Perry, Florida 32348

ESTIC S. ROLLINGS Treasurer

906 West Short Street Perry, Florida 32348

## ARTICLE IX REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The street address of the registered office of the Corporation in the State of Florida is 10255 F.A. Ash Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32311, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address shall be REVEREND DONALD L. McBRIDE. The mailing address of the corporation is Post Office Box 789,

Perry, Florida 32348.

## ARTICLE X INCORPORATOR

The name and post office address of the incorporator signing these Articles of Incorporation is: REVEREND DONALD L. McBRIDE, 10255 F.A. Ash Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32311.

#### ARTICLE XI BYLAWS

The Bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the Board of Trustees and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the Board of Trustees.

## ARTICLE XII AMENDMENT

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and all rights and privileges conferred upon the Members, Trustees and Officers are subject to this reservation. The Articles of Incorporation may be amended in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida, as amended from time to time, unless more specific provisions for amendments are adopted by the Corporation pursuant to law.

## ARTICLE XIII DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the Corporation shall be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt from federal income tax as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, or to the federal, state or local government for exclusively public purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation this day of December, 2007.

Donald L. M. Bride (SEAL REVEREND DONALD L. MCBRIDE

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF Leon,

Before me, personally appeared REVEREND DONALD L. McBRIDE, the person described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and she acknowledged to and before me that she executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 9th day of December, 2008.

Notary Public - State of Florida

[ | personally known to me

] produced \_\_\_\_\_as identification.

Ethel L. Bell
Commission # DD433432
Expires May 24, 2009

### ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as Registered Agent of BROOKLYN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC. which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

Dated this 9th day of December, 2008.

REVEREND DONALD L. McBRIDE

Registered Agent

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