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The enclosed Articles of Amendment and fe	ee are submitted for filing.
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Articles of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of

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Empowering Our Community Inc.

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(Name of corporation as currently filed with the Florida Dept. of FATE AHASSEE, FLORIDA

(Document number of corporation (if known) Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, this *Florida Not For Profit* **Corporation** adopts the following amendment(s) to its Articles of Incorporation: **NEW CORPORATE NAME (if changing):** (must contain the word "corporation," "incorporated," or the abbreviation "corp." or "inc." or words of like import in language; "Company" or "Co." may not be used in the name of a not for profit corporation) AMENDMENTS ADOPTED- (OTHER THAN NAME CHANGE) Indicate Article Number(s) and/or Article Title(s) being amended, added or deleted: (BE SPECIFIC) Article III- Purpose. The Corporation is organized, and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes, including but not limited to, engaging in activities that will raise the standards of civil awareness and community welfare through educational means, and to disseminate knowledge which may be useful for its members and the community in their work and home life; and as a result, to make them more proficient in their activities as citizens and residents of Florida. In addition, the organization is organized to include such purposes as, 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

The date of each amendment(s) adoption: September 1, 2008		
Effective date if applicable:		
	(no more than 90 days after amendment file date)	
Adoption of Amendment(s)	(CHECK ONE)	
The amendment(s) was/we was/were sufficient for app	ere adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment(s) proval.	
There are no members or adopted by the board of di	members entitled to vote on the amendment(s). The amendment(s) was/were rectors.	
Signature <u>(</u> (By \he	the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer-if directors on the been selected, by an incorporator – if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, of the court appointed fiduciary by that fiduciary)	
	Katina Johnson (Typed or printed name of person signing)	
,	President/CEO	
	(Title of person signing)	

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION For EMPOWERING OUR COMMUNITY, INC.

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit Corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Florida Statutes, Chapter 617, makes and adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE 1 Name

The name of the Corporation is as follows: Empowering Our Community, Inc.

ARTICLE II Principal Office

The address of the principal office of the Corporation is 7989 Talley Ann Court, Tallahassee, FL 32311.

ARTICLE III Purposes

The Corporation is organized, and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes, including but not limited to, engaging in activities that will raise the standards of civil awareness and community welfare through educational means, and to disseminate knowledge which may be useful for its members and the community in their work and home life; and as a result, to make them more proficient in their activities as citizens and residents of Florida. In addition, the organization is organized to include such purposes as, 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.

ARTICLE IV Members

The Corporation shall have no members. The Board of Directors serves in advisory capacity as stated in bylaws.

ARTICLE V Advisory Board of Directors and Officers

The Corporation shall have a minimum of 5 directors initially who will serve in an advisory capacity. The number of directors may either be increased or diminished from time to time, as provided in the Bylaws, but will never be less than three (3). The method of election or appointment of the directors shall be as provided by the bylaws.

In the event of election, each director shall be elected by majority vote of the members in the manner and at the times set forth in the bylaws. Any director may be removed by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the board of directors.

ARTICLE VI Initial Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is 7989 Talley Ann Court, Tallahassee, FL 32311. The name of its initial registered agent is Katina Johnson.

ARTICLE VII Incorporators

The name and street address of the initial incorporator is as follows:

Katina Johnson 7879 Talley Ann Court Tallahassee, FL 32311

ARTICLE VIII Not For Profit

The Corporation is a not for profit Corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit. No part of the income or assets of the Corporation is distributable to or for the benefit of its directors or officers, except to the extent permissible under these articles, under law and under 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(c)(3) (referred to below as "code"). No member shall have any vested right, interest or privilege in or to the assets, income or property of the Corporation and no part of the income or assets of the Corporation shall be distributable to or for the benefit of its members, except to the extent permissible under these Articles, under law and under 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(c)(3).

ARTICLE IX Duration

The duration (term) of the Corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE X Powers

Solely for the above purposes, the Corporation shall have the following powers:

- A. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida on nonprofit Corporations, including, but not limited to, those set forth in Florida Statutes Chapter 617 and the following powers: to acquire by bequest, devise, gift, grant, donation, contribution, purchase, lease or otherwise any property of any sort or nature without limitation as to its amount or value, and to hold, invest, reinvest, manage, use, apply, employ, sell, expend, disburse, lease, mortgage, convey, option, donate or otherwise dispose of the property and the income, principal and proceeds of the property.
- B. To engage in and transact any other lawful activity, solely in furtherance of the above purposes, for which nonprofit Corporations may be incorporated under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and any successor or amendment to the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.
- C. To do any other things as are incidental to the powers of the Corporation or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish the purposes of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI Limitation

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure directly or indirectly to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors or officers, but 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 Article VII (Purposes) of these Articles.

ARTICLE XII Tax Exempt Status

It is intended that the Corporation shall have and continue to have the status of a Corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(a) as an organization described in 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(c)(3) and which is other than a private foundation as defined in 26 U.S.C.A. § 509. These articles shall be construed accordingly, and all powers and activities of the Corporation shall be limited accordingly. The Corporation shall not carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation to such an extent as would result in the loss of exemption under 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(c)(3). All references in these articles to sections of the Internal Revenue Code shall be considered references to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as from time to time amended, and to the corresponding provisions of any similar law subsequently enacted.

ARTICLE XIII Dissolution

• On the dissolution of the Corporation, the board of directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for charitable, scientific or educational purposes in such manner and to such qualified organization or organizations as the board of directors shall determine. Any of the assets not so distributed shall be distributed in accordance with the direction of any court having jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for the above purposes of the Corporation or to a qualified organization or organizations as the court shall determine. For purposes of this article, an organization is a "qualified organization" only if, at the time of receiving the assets, it is operated exclusively for the purposes described in 26 U.S.C.A. § 170(c)(1) and is described in 26 U.S.C.A. § 509(a)(1), (2) or (3).

ARTICLE XIIII Officers

The officers of the Corporation may consist of a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and any other officers and assistant officers as may be provided for in the bylaws or by resolution of the board of directors. Each officer shall be elected by majority vote of the board of directors (and may be removed by majority vote of the board of directors) at such a time and in such a manner as may be prescribed by the bylaws or by law.

ARTICLE XV Bylaws

The bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the board of directors, and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the board of directors.

ARTICLE XVI Amendment

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these articles of incorporation or any amendment to them.

ARTICLE XVII Indemnification and Civil Liability Immunity

The Corporation shall indemnify each director and officer, including former directors and officers, to the fullest extent allowed by law, including but not limited to Florida Statutes Chapter 617. It is intended that the Corporation be an organization the officers and directors of which are immune from civil liability to the extent provided under Florida Statutes Chapter 617 and other similar laws.