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Division of Corporations  
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SUBJECT: Opportunity Plus for Minority Students Success, Inc.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

FROM:

Bobby Bowden

Name (Printed or typed)

1024 Vista Cay Court

Address

Brandon, FL 33511

City, State & Zip

(813) 671-8483 or (727) 742-6941

Daytime Telephone number

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



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

June 23, 2008

BOBBY L. BOWDEN  
POST OFFICE BOX 3318  
APOLLO BEACH, FL 33572

SUBJECT: OPPORTUNITY PLUS, INC.  
Ref. Number: W08000030164

We have received your document for OPPORTUNITY PLUS, 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):

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
OPPORTUNITY PLUS FOR MINORITY STUDENT SUCCESS, INC.**

Pursuant to Section 617.1007, Florida Statutes, Opportunity Plus for Minority Student Success, Inc. (the "Corporation"), a Florida not for profit corporation incorporated in the State of Florida on June 16, 2008, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation (the "Articles").

**ARTICLE I - Name**

The name of this Corporation shall be: Opportunity Plus for Minority Student Success, Inc.

**ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal street address of this Corporation shall be: 1024 Vista Cay Court, Brandon, FL 33511; and the mailing address is P.O. Box 3318, Apollo Beach, FL 33572 or such other address within the State of Florida as the Board may from time to time designate.

**ARTICLE III - PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS**

The corporation commenced business on June 16, 2008 and shall have perpetual existence. The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and/or scientific purposes under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

- (A) (1) The specific purposes for which this corporation is exclusively organized and operated are: to provide scholarships and other educational assistance to under privileged students in the Tampa Bay/Hillsborough County area.
- (2) This Corporation shall receive and maintain funds of real and/or personal property and, subjected to the restriction, limitations hereinafter set forth shall use the whole or any part of the income there from, and the principal for its charitable and educational purposes as provided herein.
- (B) No part of the net earnings of the organization shall insure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, trustees, officers or other private persons except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distribution in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence Legislation and the 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. 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

contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

- (C) Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed 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, another non profit organization or local government for public purpose.

#### **ARTICLE IV- Powers and Limitations**

This Corporation shall have and exercise all powers provided by the laws of the State of Florida pertaining to corporations not for profit including, but not limited to Chapter 617 Florida Statutes, and future amendments thereto, or succeeding statutes pertaining to Corporations not for profit in the State of Florida that are necessary or convenient to effect any and all of the charitable and educational purposes for which the Corporations organized subject, however, to the following:

- (A) This Corporation shall be to operate exclusively for, and shall only have the power to perform activities exclusively within the meaning, requirements and effect of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended heretofore or hereafter.
- (B) This Corporation shall not engage in any prohibited transaction as defined in Section 503 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

#### **ARTICLE V – MEMBERS**

The members of this Corporation shall consist of any person including an individual or entity, admitted to membership by or in accordance with the provisions of the by-laws of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VI – MANNER OF ELECTION**

An Executive Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of this Corporation.

- (A) The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by the members of the corporation but may never be less than three.
- (B) The manner of filling vacancies on the Executive Board of Directors shall be as provided in the by-laws of the corporation. A quorum for the transaction of business shall be a simple majority.

## **ARTICLE VII – INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS**

The officers shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Advisor, and such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of the Corporation. The duties of the respective officers and the manner of filling vacancies in the offices of the corporation shall be as provided in the by-laws.

Bobby Bowden	1024 Vista Cay Court Brandon, FL 33511	President
John Blue	1111 – 69 <sup>th</sup> Street Tampa, FL 33619	Secretary
Kredelle Petway	7611 Nottingham Sky Drive Apollo Beach, FL 33572	Treasurer
Richard Smiley	P. O Box 291368 Temple Terrace, FL 33687	Assistant Treasurer
Larry Williams	803 – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW Largo, FL 33770	Parliamentarian
Margaret Petway	7611 Nottingham Sky Drive Apollo Beach, FL 33572	Advisor

## **ARTICLE VIII –BY-LAWS**

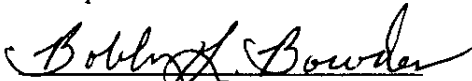
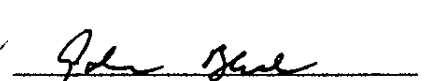
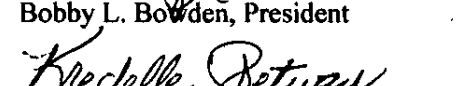

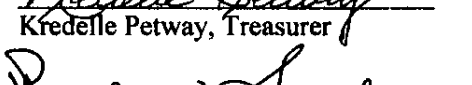
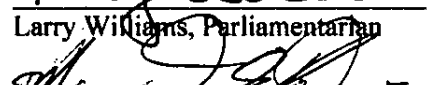
The bylaws of the corporation may be made, altered, or rescinded from time to time in whole or in part by a simple majority vote of the members of this corporation present at any meeting of the Board of Directors at which a quorum is present and notice of the proposed action respect to the by-laws has been waived by two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors or mailed by the secretary of this corporation to all of the members of the Board of Directors at least three (3) days before the meeting.

## **ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

These articles may be amended resolutions adopted by a simple majority vote of the members of the corporation present at any meeting duly convened at which a quorum is present, provided, however, that notice of this proposed action, with quorum present, provided, however that notice of the proposed action, with respect to the Articles of Incorporation shall have been waived by a majority of the members of the corporation or

ten (10) days advance notice of the amendment or amendments to be considered at such meeting shall have been given in writing personally or by mail to each member of the corporation prior to such meeting. All actions, including but not limited to Amendment(s) of Articles of Incorporation, required to be taken at any meeting may be taken by written consent as provided in Florida Statutes, as now amended, or as same may be amended in the future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed these, Articles of Incorporation:

 Bobby L. Bowden, President	 John Blue, Secretary
 Kredelle Petway, Treasurer	 Larry Williams, Parliamentarian
 Richard Smiley, Asst. Treasurer	 Margaret E. Petway, Advisor

#### **ARTICLE X - REGISTERED OFFICER AND REGISTERED AGENT**

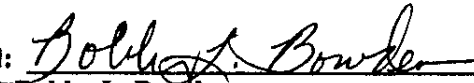
The name of the corporation's current registered agent is:

Bobby L. Bowden  
1024 Vista Cay Court  
Brandon, FL 33511

Signed:   
Bobby L. Bowden

The Corporation shall keep the Department of State of the State of Florida informed of the current city, town, village and street address of said registered office together with the name of the registered agent.

#### **ARTICLE XI - NAME AND ADDRESS OF INCORPORATOR**

Signed:   
Bobby L. Bowden

Address: 1024 Vista Cay Court  
Brandon, FL 33511

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