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July 17, 2009

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The Florida Statutes require an entity to designate a street address for its principal office address. A post office box is not acceptable for the principal office address. The entity may, however, designate a separate mailing address. The mailing address may be a post office box.

The registered agent and street address must be consistent wherever it appears in your document.

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

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FRIENDS OF EVERGREEN, INC.

In compliance with the laws of the State of Florida, the undersigned do hereby voluntarily associate for the purpose of forming a corporation not-for-profit for the purposes and with powers set forth herein.

ARTICLE I - NAME

FRIENDS OF EVERGREEN, INC., hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation."

ARTICLE II - REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the Registered Agent of the Association and the Principal office address are:

JOHNNY M. BROWN 107 S. 9TH STREET PALATKA, FLORIDA 32177

ARTICLE III - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation shall be in Putnam County, Florida; but the Corporation may maintain offices and transact business in any other county in the State of Florida, as may from time to time be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV - PURPOSE AND POWERS

The purposes of which this Corporation is formed are exclusively charitable, historical, educational, literary and scientific. This organization is organized exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. And will consist of the following:

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To create a bond of unity between the Black Family Community throughout the County, within the Churches and Organizations in the Local community with the ultimate goal of benefiting the community.

To provide a complete and comprehensive range of services and resources for Families and Individuals striving for a Higher Sense of Freedom and Liberty. To also teach the required Responsibilities and Values that will help the Families and Individuals rebuild self-respect, self-esteem, self-image, Understanding and Character to enable them to meet the demands of modern life.

To incorporate new and innovative Moral Themes that can be duplicated and demonstrated in the lives of individuals and families that have been victims of Debilitating Myths, Misinformation, Beliefs of Limitation, Ignorance, Superstition and Unproductive Lives formatted in a Pro-Active and Interactive design

To replace longstanding Myths and Fables that created confusion and disunity with documented Facts. Said results will impress the consciousness with the paramount need of Unity and Obedience to the Moral and Divine Rules for living, when adhered to continually will naturally produce Spiritual Understanding, Enlightenment, the proper sense of Honesty, Justice, Success and Enrichment in one's experience.

To encourage each and every person within the Sphere of Influence of the unlimited possibilities of a destiny with extraordinary achievement as a Divine Birthright is real and obtainable.

To develop an expansive fund-raising system, having a multi-faceted and self-sufficient design, enabling the corporation to effectively address the critical issues that deprive the Black Community of its Economic and Moral Potential.

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- (1) To raise the spiritual, moral, economic, educational and social levels of the targeted group, including members of moderate, low, and very low income community, who are substantially unemployed, underemployed, or whose income is below federal poverty guidelines, to foster and promote community-wide interest and concern for the problems of said group to the end that (a) educational and economic opportunities may be expanded; (b) sickness, poverty, crime, and environmental degradation may be lessened; and (c) racial tensions, prejudice, and discrimination, economic and otherwise, may be eliminated; and (d) expound the need for establishing and fostering the Unity and Growth of the targeted communities.
- (2) It is this purpose of the Corporation thereby to relieve the poor, distressed, underprivileged and indigent by enabling them to secure the basic spiritual and human needs and to lessen the burdens of government and promote their social welfare.
- (3) To expand opportunities available to said families and individuals to interact with other Families and Individuals who are sincere about their Commitment and concern for the welfare and benefit of others on the same **Journey for Unity.**
- (4) To aid, support and assist through fellowship, gifts, contributions, and with other groups operated exclusively for charitable, educational and historical purposes. No part of the net earnings of which endures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is for carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.
- (5) To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attaining of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly, and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organization of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments or agencies.

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In furtherance, but not in limitation, of the foregoing charitable, educational historical purposes, the Corporation shall have the following powers:

(1) To solicit, collect and receive money and other assets, and to administer funds and contributions received by grant, gift, deed, bequest or devise, and otherwise to acquire money, securities, property, rights and services of every kind and description, and to hold, invest, expend, contribute, use, sell or otherwise dispose of any money, securities, property, rights or services so acquired for the purpose above mentioned.

- (2) To borrow money, and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue bonds, debentures, promissory notes, and other corporate obligations for monies borrowed, or in payment for property acquired, services rendered or for any other purposes of the Corporation, and to secure payment of any such obligation by mortgage, pledge, deed indenture agreement or other instrument or trust, or by other lien upon, assignment of or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property, rights or privileges of the Corporation.
- (3) To invest and reinvest its funds in such mortgages, bonds, notes, debentures, shares and any other securities of any kind whatsoever, including property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, all as the Corporation's Board of Directors shall deem advisable and as may be permitted by law.
- (4) To engage in activity of operation business ventures for the purposes of providing job training, employment services, and managerial development opportunities to said families and individuals for the charitable purpose of furthering the development of **Brotherhood** in the community.
- (5) To hire and fire employees and to contract for outside services at the will of the Corporation.
- (6) To engage in any and all activities which will directly or indirectly improve the **Spiritual** welfare and **Mental** conditions of said families and individuals.
- (7) To exercise all rights and powers conferred upon corporations formed under the General Nonprofit Corporation Law of the state of Florida provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in any activities or exercise any powers, including those specifically mentioned herein, that are not in furtherance of the specific and primarily moral, charitable and educational purposes of the Corporation.
 - (8) The operation of said Corporation shall also include the concerns of:
- A. YOUTH-Understanding the enslavement of Immoral Words and Actions

 Through the development of a "Think Tank" and "Youth
 Summits"
 - B. Real Property Preservation
 - C. Family Counseling- Covenant-based and Unity format
 - D. Interactive Family Enrichment and Resource Centers

E. Business Incubators and Community Development Financial Systems

F. Criminal Justice Council

D. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax as an organization described in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future federal tax code).

ARTICLE V - MEMBERSHIP

- a. Any person, over the age of eighteen shall have the right to be a Member of the Corporation's Board of Directors.
- b. The authorized number, if any, and qualifications of Members of the Corporation, the different class of memberships, if any, all assets, voting and other rights privileges of Members shall be as set forth in the By-laws
- c. At least one-third of the members are persons chosen in accordance with democratic selection procedures adequate to ensure that they are representatives of the poor in the area served.

ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The number of Directors shall not be less than three (3) provided however that the Board of Directors may, from time to time increase or decrease the number of Directors, so long as the number of directors is divisible by three (3). The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the initial capacity of Directors until the selection and qualification of their successors are:

- President/Chairman

Mary Lawson Brown 107 S. 9th Street Palatka, Florida 32177

- Secretary

Johnny M. Brown 107 S. 9th Street Palatka, Florida 32177

- Treasurer (Finance Committee Chairman)

Theodore A. Brown 107 S. 9th Street Palatka, Florida 32177

The board of directors is elected at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VII – OFFICERS

The names of the initial officers of this Corporation are identical with the Board of Directors with the addition of

ARTICLE VIII – INCORPORATOR

The name and mailing address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation

Johnny M. Brown 107 S. 9th Street Palatka, Florida 32177

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PUTNAM

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the state and county named above to take acknowledgements, personally appeared JOHNNY M. BROWN, to me known to be the person described as Incorporator in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation.

Johnny M. Brown

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the state and county named above

this

29 th day of July 2009

1 (10) Notarv Commission # DD533981 Expires March 28, 2010 Bonded Troy Fam - Insurance, Inc. 800-385-7019

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE. NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statues, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

First, That Friends of Evergreen, Inc., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, in the City of Palatka, County of Putnam, and State of Florida, has named JOHNNY M. BROWN as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping upon said office.

Johnny Brown

Registered Agent

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority vote at the annual meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of and winding up of this organization, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the organization, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which are organized and operated exclusively for the purposes specified in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and has established its tax-exempt status, or shall be distributed to the Federal Government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for the purposes specified in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.