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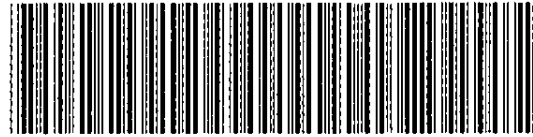
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
DERRICK C. GILLIS, SR. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

A Florida "Not for Profit" Corporation

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a corporation under Chapter 617 of Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE 1 - NAME OF CORPORATION:

The name of the corporation is DERRICK C. GILLIS, SR. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ("the Corporation").

ARTICLE 2 - PRINCIPAL OFFICE/ MAILING ADDRESS:

The principal and mailing office of the corporation is located at 6500 W Sunrise Blvd, Suite 2, Plantation, FL 33313

ARTICLE 3 - REGISTERED AGENT:

The name of the registered agent of the corporation is Angela Moss Poole LLC. The address of this registered agent is 118 Salem Court, Tallahassee, FL 32301

ARTICLE 4 - DURATION/MEMBERSHIP:

The period of duration is perpetual. The qualification for members, if any, and the manner of their admission shall be regulated by the bylaws.

ARTICLE 5 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The method of selection of the Board of Directors and number of directors shall be stated in the bylaws. The initial officers serving as the Board of Directors shall be as follows:

Dr. Lena Gillis, 667 West Dayton Circle, Plantation FL 33312, President/Chairperson
Betty Jenkins, 5317 NW 66 Avenue, Lauderhill, FL 33319, Secretary/Treasurer
Councilman Warren A. Jones, 117 Duval St, Suite 425, Jacksonville, FL 32202, Director
Derrick C. Gillis, Jr, 667 Dayton Circle, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312, Director/Vice Chairperson
Joel Steiner, 1122 SE 4 St, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301, Director
Jack Tralongo, 6500 W Sunrise Blvd, Plantation FL 33313, Director
Fred Rutledge, 6881 NW 44th Court, Lauderhill, FL 33313, Director

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ARTICLE 6 - INCORPORATORS:

The name and address of the incorporator is: Dr. Lena Gillis, 6500 W Sunrise Blvd, Suite 2, Plantation, FL 33313.

ARTICLE 7 - CORPORATE PURPOSES: The purposes for which this corporation is formed are exclusively charitable, educational and scientific and consist of the following:

1. To engage in community development activities (which may include economic development activities) that are intended to support and extend the community reach of Zoe Life Christian Center in memoriam to its Founding Pastor Derrick C. Gillis, Sr. to impact and lead to an improvement of the physical, economic or social environment of the Ft. Lauderdale, Lauderdale, Plantation, Broward County Area in Florida by addressing one or more of the critical problems of the area with attention to the needs of persons with low, and moderate income. These activities shall be undertaken primarily, but not exclusively, in the Corporation's geographic area of operation. Nothing in this paragraph shall allow this organization to carry on any activities not permitted to by an organization exempt from Federal and state income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

2. To lessen the burdens of government, lessen neighborhood tensions, eliminate prejudice, eliminate discrimination, and combat community deterioration.

3. To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise, Zoe Life Christian Center and other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

4. To provide jobs and job training and skills in a suitable environment for low and moderate income members of the community that are unable to do so on their own through business incubation programs.

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 organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, association, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments or agencies.

6. All of the foregoing purposes shall be exercised in such a manner that the Corporation will qualify as an exempt organization under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

ARTICLE 8 - 501(c)(3) LIMITATIONS -

1. CORPORATE PURPOSES: Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal and state income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

2. EXCLUSIVITY: The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.

3. NO PRIVATE INUREMENT: The Corporation is not organized nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. The Corporation shall not distribute any gains, profits or dividends to the Directors, Officers, or Members thereof, or to any individual, except as reasonable compensation for services actually performed in carrying out the Corporation's charitable and educational purposes. The property, assets, profits and net income of the Corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes no part of which shall inure to the benefit of any individual.

4. LOBBYING AND POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS: No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

5. DISSOLUTION: Upon winding up and dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of all debts and liabilities shall be distributed to Zoe Life Christian Center or an organization recognized as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to be used exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. If the Corporation holds any assets in trust, such assets shall be disposed of in such a manner as may be directed by decree of the Circuit Court of the district in which the Corporation's principal office is located, upon petition thereof by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.

ARTICLE 9 - INDEMNIFICATION

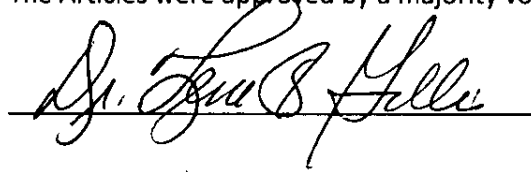
Any person (and the heirs, executors and administrators of such person) made or threatened to be made a party to any action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that he is or was a Director or Officer of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against any and all liability and the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and disbursements, incurred by him (or by his heirs, executors or administrators) in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appearance therein, except in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding that such Director or Officer is liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duties.

ARTICLE 10 – MODIFICATIONS/AMENDMENTS

Modifications and/or amendments may be made to these Articles with majority approval of the Board of Directors. Majority is defined in the corporate bylaws.

Signed:

The Articles were approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors on December 1, 2009.



President, Dr. Lena Gillis 12/1/2009

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