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#### <u> OF</u>

# St. Ruth Human Services Corporation, Inc.

145 NW 5th Avenue Dania Beach, Florida 33004 Phone: 954-922-2529

February 19, 2010

Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6397 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

#### SUBJECT: ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION APPLICATION

Dear Sir/Madame:

Attached are one original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for St. Ruth Human Services Corporation, Inc.

Included is a money order in the amount of \$78.75 for filing fee and Certified Copy fee.

It is my prayer that this application is in compliance with the filing requirements.

Sincerely,

Ernest Jone Registered Agent

Cc: Bishop Victor Curry - President

Eric Willis- Treasurer Wardell Lee- Secretary

<u>OF</u>

St. Ruth Human Services Corporation, Inc.

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#### (Florida not-for-profit corporation)

The undersigned, acting as the incorporator of St. Ruth Human Services' Corporation, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as set forth in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, as amended, (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") and as President of the Corporation, by virtue of the authority granted in Resolution 2009 approved by a majority of the Corporation's Board of Directors at it's December 21<sup>st</sup> 2009, meeting, hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for the Corporation:

#### **ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be: St. Ruth Human Services Corporation, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation."

#### ARTICLE II: OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The address of the principal office and the mailing address of the Corporation is: 145 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Dania Beach, FL, 33004.

#### ARTICLE III: PURPOSES

The Corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (i) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any future corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law; or (ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any future corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

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The primary purpose of this organization is to provide mentoring, employment training, education and tutoring, financial literacy, affordable housing, housing assistance, health education, job placement and other related services to youth and adults in underserved communities in Dania Beach, Florida. Our programs will be geared to address public safety, life skills and employment readiness training, job placement, health care services and will provide academic support and career guidance for this target population. The Corporation's target goal will be to reach the general population.

#### ARTICLE IV: RESTRICTIONS ON ACTIVITIES

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall this corporation participate in, or intervene in, any political campaign or candidacy for public office.

ARTICLE V: MEMBERSHIP

The Corporation shall be non-membership.

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#### ARTICLE VI: REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

#### INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent is:

**Ernest Jones** 1940 NW 12th Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311 954-260-2283

Having been named as the registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

The Corporation's

office shall be:

145 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Dania Beach, FL 33004

Ernest Jones shall be the registered agent of the Corporation at that address.

DATE: Feb. 18, 2010
ST JONES – REGISTERED AGENT

OF

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#### ARTICLE VII: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall consist of nine (9) persons. The number may be increased or decreased from time to time by an amendment to the Corporation By-Laws. However, there shall never be less than five (5) persons on the Board of Directors. All members of the Board of Directors shall be selected as provided for in the Corporation By-Laws. No member of the Board of Directors will be entitled to or shall receive any compensation for participation on the board. Board members will be required to agree to all Conflict of Interest guidelines established by the corporation and noted in the By-laws.

The Board of Directors consists of:

Bishop Victor T. Curry, President 145 NW Fifth Avenue Dania Beach, FL 33004 954-922-2479 Pastor

Wardell Lee, Secretary 733 SW Fourth St Dania Beach, FL 33004 954-925-1686 Retired Educator

Eric Willis, Treasurer 1291 NW 32nd Ave Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311-4904 (954) 584-7008 Restaurant Manager

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#### ARTICLE VIII: OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Relations Officer and such other officers as may be provided by the By-Laws. No member of the Board of Directors will be entitled to or shall receive any compensation for participation on the board. Board members will be required to agree to all Conflict of Interest guidelines established by the corporation and noted in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a majority vote of those present, provided that notice of the intent to submit amendments shall have been given as provided by the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE X: DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

The property of the Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes and no part of the net income or assets of the Corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. Upon dissolution or winding up of the Corporation its assets remaining after payment or provision for payment of all debts and liabilities of the Corporation shall be distributed to a not-for-profit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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#### ARTICLE XI: CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 1. No member of the Board of Directors shall derive any personal profit or gain for themselves, their relatives or friends, directly or indirectly by reason of his or her participation within the corporation, except by agreed to by three quarters of the board vote.
- 2. Each member must disclose any personal any personal interest that he or she may have in any matter pending before the board and shall refrain from any discussion on that matter. A conflicting board member will not be counted in quorum in matters where there is a conflict of interest.
- 3. Each board member must submit an annual statement agreeing to these general principles and disclose any potential conflict.

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The incorporator of the Corporation is: IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Ernest Jones, Registered Agent, St. Ruth Human Services Corporation, Inc., have affixed our signature thereto on February 15, 2010, to the Articles of Incorporation.

SIGN: K

DATE: 2 / 18/10

STATE OF FLORIDA

(COUNTY OF BROWARD)

The foregoing instrument was sworn to me this May of truct Jones, who personally appeared before me at the time of

notarization, and who is personally known to me or have produced a Florida

Driver's License as identification.

**NOTARY** 

COMMISSION # DD 526613 EXPIRES: April 6, 2010