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RE: Initial Corporate Filing-Center of Hope Community Development Corporation

To whom it may concern,

Please find enclosed the articles of incorporation and the appropriate filing fee, for the Center of Hope Community Development Corporation. Please refer all questions and return documents (certified articles and certificate of corporate status) to the contact listed below:

Bernard C. Yates  
201 West Leonard Street  
Pensacola, Florida 32501

Sincerely,



Bernard C. Yates

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**Of**

**Center of Hope Community Development Corporation, Incorporated**

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**Article 1. Name.** The name of the corporation is the Center of Hope Community Development Corporation, Inc.

**Article 2. Duration.** The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

**Article 3. Purposes.** The purpose of the Corporation is as follows: To enhance the communities well being and quality of life through charitable assistance, financial literacy, personal development, education assistance, counseling, social development, assistance to victims of natural disasters, economic empowerment of community residents.

A. This corporation is a not-for-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. It is not organized for the private gain of any person. The specific purposes of this corporation are: to exist as a community development corporation that operates programs that serve to enhance the community's quality of life.

B. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon nonprofit corporations.

C. To receive and maintain a fund or funds of real and personal property, or both, and subject to the restrictions and limitations hereinafter set forth, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal thereof.

D. This Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, literary, or educational purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

E. Provided, however, that the corporation shall not engage in any action which is not permitted to be carried on by a nonprofit corporation under the Internal Revenue Code and no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to its members, directors, or officers; but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation to these people for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its stated purposes.

F. Upon dissolution of this not-for-profit organization, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment of all debts and liabilities of this ministry shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Such distribution shall be made in accordance with the applicable provisions of the laws of this state.

**Article 4. Indemnification.** The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless the officers, members of the board of directors, and members of the organization whether volunteer or

temporary, it's agents or assignees against any all actions resulting from the sponsored activities of the corporation.

**Article 5. Members.** The Corporation shall have Voting Members, who shall be elected (and may be removed) by Voting Members, and who shall have all the rights and privileges of members of the Corporation. The Bylaws may provide for Nonvoting Members or one or more classes, who shall be admitted in such manner and who shall have such rights and privileges as are set forth in the Bylaws, but who shall not have the right to vote. The name and address of each initial Voting Member is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	
Bernard C. Yates	1258 Soaring Blvd.	Pensacola, Florida 32533
Grover C. Brown, Jr.	801 West Desoto Street	Pensacola, Florida 32501
Eddie B. Smith	7810 Herrington Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32514
Elizabeth P. Perkins	117 Altamont Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32504
Steve Chaney	56 Pen Haven Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32506
Margaret Jones	704 Boxwood Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32503
Keith Harris	2012 Joshua Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32533

**Article 5. Initial Registered Agent and Office.** The initial registered agent is Grover Brown and the initial registered office is located at 201 W. Leonard Street, Pensacola, FL 32501.

**Article 6. Initial Board of Directors.** The initial Board of Directors shall have 7 members whose name and addresses are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	
Bernard C. Yates	1258 Soaring Blvd.	Pensacola, Florida 32533
Grover C. Brown, Jr.	801 West Desoto Street	Pensacola, Florida 32501
Eddie B. Smith	7810 Herrington Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32514
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Keith Harris	2012 Joshua Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32533

The Bylaws shall provide the method of election of all Directors, and the number of Directors may be raised or lowered by amendment of the bylaws but shall in not case be less than three.

**Article 7. Officers.** The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Other officers may be provided for in the Bylaws. Each Officer shall be elected by the Board of Directors (and may be removed by the Board of Directors) at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the Bylaws. The name and address of each initial Officer of the Corporation is as follows:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	
Chairman	Bernard C. Yates	1258 Soaring Blvd.	Pensacola, Florida 32533
Treasurer	Grover C. Brown, Jr.	801 West Desoto Street	Pensacola, Florida 32501
Secretary	Eddie B. Smith	7810 Herrington Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32514

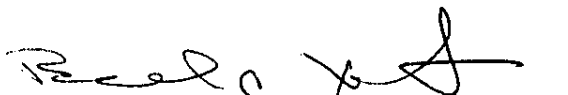
**Article 8. Incorporators.** The names and addresses of the incorporators of this corporation are:

Bernard C. Yates	1258 Soaring Blvd.	Pensacola, Florida 32533
Grover C. Brown, Jr.	1611 East Anderson Street	Pensacola, Florida 32503
Eddie B. Smith	7810 Herrington Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32514
Elizabeth P. Perkins	117 Altamont Drive	Pensacola, Florida 32504
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**Article 9. Nonstock Basis.** The Corporation is organized (and shall be operated) on a non-stock basis within the meaning of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and shall not have the power to issue shares of any type or class of stock, but may issue membership certificates if so provided in the bylaws.

**Article 10. Corporation Address.** The street address of the Corporation's initial principal office is and, the Corporation's mailing address is: 201 West Leonard Street, Pensacola, Florida 32501.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned have signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 3rd day of January, 2010.

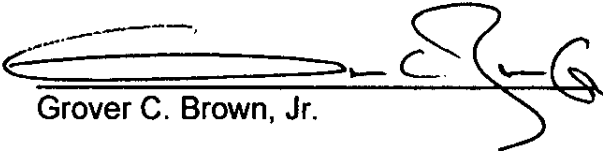
  
Bernard C. Yates  
(Signatures of Incorporator)

**ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT**

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as Registered Agent of the Center of Hope Ministries, which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation. Pursuant to section 607.0501(3), Florida Statutes (1991), I hereby state that I am familiar with and accept the duties, obligation and responsibilities as Registered Agent for said corporation.

DATED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2010.

I accept designation as registered agent:

  
Grover C. Brown, Jr.

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