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NOTE: FILING ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC.

EIN: 27-2787786

Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC.

1. Enclosed are an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check

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Name:

Betty J. Gilmore

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Enclosed are the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Florida nonprofit corporation adopts the following articles of incorporation:

Article I:

Name of the Corporation

The name of the corporation shall be BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC.

Article II:

Principal Office

The place of business shall be: 10155 West Sunrise Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33322

Article III:

The mailing address shall be:

10155 West Sunrise Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33322

Article IV Purpose

BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC. is a multifaceted community outreach and mentoring program enhancing the lives of young men and women between the ages of 10 to 24, by promoting leadership, education, health and nutrition, self awareness, self-esteem, critical thinking and community service. The program is dedicated to young men and women of all races, creed and cultures, providing an outlet that will mold young men and women to become productive, stable, dependable and loyal to them selves, family and communities while recognizing their innate leadership, civic and community abilities that will develop them into productive adults.

The purpose upon which BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC. is founded, designed and developed is exclusively for charitable, educational, and religious purposes within the meaning of Section 501(C) (3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1986, as amended.

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- 1. BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC. shall join in collaborative efforts that further the provision of health, education, human services, advocacy and empowerment to young men, women and children.
- 2. BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC. will provide networking services with other community organizations that address the need to provide mentoring, emotional, social, financial and supportive services to young men and women and children of all races, ethnicities, and culture.
- 3. BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC, will provide services that assist in providing restoration to the unity of families of participants of its programs as well as providing services to single young men and women who may become pregnant or father a child while participants in its programs.
- 4. BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC. will seek to compete in the financial market arena for State, County and Federal funding opportunities.
- 5. BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC. will seek Federal and Private Funding for support, intervention and counseling for young men and women facing emotional and domestic abuse or violence in their home and communities.
- 6. BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC, will assist in obtaining and providing a safe haven for young men and women facing the threat of evictions or homelessness or temporary separation from family.

Article V

Registered Agent and Registered Office

The name and address of the Registered Agent and Registered Office are:

Betty J. Gilmore

811 South West 28th Ave.

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312

<u>Article VI</u>

Indemnification and Limitation of Liability:

1. The Corporation shall indemnify any officer or President or any former officer of the corporation, fully permitted by law. The private property of the member or officer, or president shall not unless other wise provided by law, be subject to the payment of the corporate debts to any extent whatsoever.

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- 2. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its member, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in Furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article IV hereof.
- 3. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.
- 4. BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC., will not carry on or perform any activities, that are not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code; or (b) by a corporation, to which contributions are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 5. This Corporation shall not discriminate in it's delivery of services based on Race, Creed. Ethnicity, Culture, Sexual orientation, Financial or Economic Class or religious background or beliefs.

Article VII

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Dissolution and Division of Assets

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets will be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to other non-profit corporations 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 the court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for non-profit purposes.

Article VIII

Manner of Election

Appointment of Officers: The President appoints Members of the Board of Directors and determines the number of directors that shall sit on the Board. Vacancies arising

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Due to a terminating event shall remain unfilled until the next annual meeting with duties assumed by other members. Full control of the affairs of the Corporation shall be vested with the President and the Board of Directors.

Term of Office: No maximum tenure for any one office on the Board of Directors exists.

Removal from office: the President may remove a member of the Board of Directors for just cause.

Article IX

Membership

The membership shall represent young men and women, youth, neighborhood-based agencies, recipient neighborhoods and the community at large. Any non-profit charitable, scientific, health and educational agency may become a member with no voting rights as well as churches enjoined to the programs provided by the corporation.

Article X

Officers

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of the following: Chair of the Board of Directors, Executive Director, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as the President or the Board of Directors may designate from time to time.

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Article XI

Duration of Existence

The corporation is organized on a non-stock basis and shall be considered established and in existence as of the date of the prepared filing and is specified effective as of the date stamped by the office of Corporations. This corporation shall exist as a perpetual entity unless designated otherwise by the President or Board of Directors of the corporation.

Article XII

Amendments

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the members, partners or officers are subject to this reservation.

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Article XIII

Bylaws

This Corporation shall abide by the operating guidelines provided by the bylaws adopted by BIG BROTHERS UNITED INC. The Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed by the President/Founder. The Board of Directors may amend or repeal any bylaws as directed by the President/Founder.

Article XIII

Initial Officers /Directors

President/Founder Stanley McClover 10155 West Sunrise Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33322

Vice-President Angela Burns 3251 West Inverrary Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33319

Treasurer Deanna Bryant 2095 North West 65TH Ave. Margate, Florida 33063

Secretary: Tracye Wilkerson 232 East Acre Drive Plantation, Florida 33317

Board Members RONNIE BROWN 1275 HAWKS VISTA ST PLANTATION FL 33322.

NATE SALLEY 8526 SUTTONVIEW DRIVE CHARLOTTE NC 28269

EBONY ONEAL 262 SW 1ST TERR DEERFIELD FL 33441

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XIV Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is:
Stanley McClover
10155 West Sunrise Blvd.

Fort Lauderdate

Language

Incorporator

The foregoing Articles were adopted and approved on this the state of January, 201 in witness whereof, the undersigned, being the President, of this Corporation, signs and execute these Articles of Incorporation and state that they shall be effective 5 days prior to receipt by the Office of Corporations.

President: Stanley McClover

Date

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent, and agree to act in this capacity.

Registered Agont: Betty J. Gilmore

Date

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