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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
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SUBJECT: Girls Empowering Minds and Souls, Inc
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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FROM: Lakita Spann
Name (Printed or typed)

893 Bunker Hill Blvd
Address

Jacksonville, FL 32208
City, State & Zip

904 613-1825
Daytime Telephone number

lakita@ilovegems.org
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

Articles of Incorporation

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, do hereby make and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I.

Name

The name of the corporation shall be Girls Empowering Minds and Souls, Inc.

ARTICLE II.

Principal Office

The mailing address for the corporation is 846 N. Poydras Lane, Jacksonville, FL 32218.

ARTICLE III.

Purpose

The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations under said section 501(c)(3), or corresponding section of any future tax code. Within these purposes, its primary mission shall be to provide training and outreach opportunities to youth. Any earnings are to be devoted to related charitable and educational purposes. The corporation may exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon nonprofit corporations that are not inconsistent with its charitable and educational purposes including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the powers to acquire by devise, gift, purchase, lease or otherwise any property of any sort or nature without limitation as to amount or value, and to hold, invest, reinvest, manage, use, apply, employ, sell, expend, disburse, lease, mortgage, convey, option, donate or otherwise dispose of such property and the income, principal and proceeds of such

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property, for the purposes set forth herein, and the corporation may do such other things as are incidental to the purposes of the corporation or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish them. This organization's activities will include but are not limited to:

- a. To engage in a charitable program of donating clothing, toys, games, school supplies and other required material needs to underprivileged youth and their families.
- b. To open, operate and maintain self development and academic camps for underprivileged youth.
- c. To organize, operate, and maintain self development, self image, and hygiene and etiquette classes and conferences for underprivileged youth.
- d. To organize, operate, and maintain financial preparation and entrepreneurship classes and conferences for underprivileged youth. These classes will be conducted in public discussion groups, forums, panels, lectures, etc.
- e. To organize, operate, and maintain college preparation classes and seminars for underprivileged youth. These classes will be conducted in public discussion groups, forums, panels, lectures, etc.
- f. To organize, operate, and maintain yearly back to school rallies for underprivileged youth.
- g. To organize, operate, and maintain quarterly career seminars for underprivileged youth. These classes will be conducted in public discussion groups, forums, panels, lectures, etc.

- h. To organize, operate, and maintain teen pregnancy education and prevention programs. These classes will be conducted in public discussion groups, forums, panels, lectures, etc.

ARTICLE IV.

Manner of Election

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is three (3). The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three (3) or more than ten (10). The method of election of the Directors shall be stated in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V.

Initial Officers and/or Directors

The management of the corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors. The names and street addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors who, subject to the provisions of the By-Laws and these Articles of Incorporation, shall hold office for the first year of the corporation's existence or until their successors are elected and have qualified, are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Street Address</u>
Mikki Evans	12672 Daylight Trail Jacksonville, FL 32218
Stephanie Forde	846 N. Poydras Lane Jacksonville, FL 32218
Lakita Spann	893 Bunker Hill Blvd Jacksonville, FL 32208

ARTICLE VI.

Registered Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation in Florida shall be 893 Bunker Hill Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32208 and its initial registered agent at that address shall be Lakita M. Spann. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, change the registered office and registered agent of the corporation upon notification to the proper authorities.

ARTICLE VII.

Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Street Address</u>
Lakita Spann	893 Bunker Hill Blvd Jacksonville, FL 32208

ARTICLE VIII.

Not for Profit

This corporation is a corporation not for profit within the meaning of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. The corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit.

ARTICLE IX.

Duration

The duration of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE X.

Limitation

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors or officers, 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 III hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities 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, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE XI.

Members

The Bylaws of this corporation may (but shall not be required to) provide for one or more classes of members of the corporation. The nature of the membership, classes of membership and the rights and privileges appurtenant to such classes shall be provided in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE XII.

Bylaws

The Bylaws of the corporation are to be made and adopted by the Board of Directors, and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the Board of Directors. The provisions of Section 617.0206, Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time, shall govern the Bylaws.

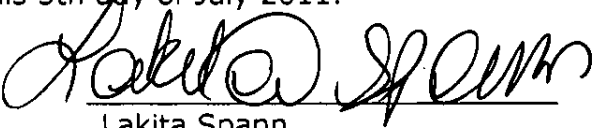
ARTICLE XIII.

Dissolution of Liquidation

Upon the dissolution or liquidation of this corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, all of its funds and other assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of dissolution or liquidation shall be distributed and paid over entirely and exclusively to an organization or organizations which has or have qualified for exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall In witness whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names this 5th Day of July, 2011.

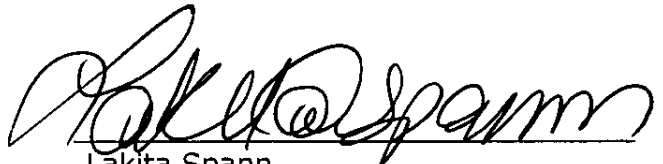
ACCEPTANCE OF INCORPORATOR

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned subscribing incorporator, have hereunto set our hands and seals for the purpose of forming this corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, and we hereby make, subscribe, acknowledge and file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation and certify that the facts herein stated are true, all on this 5th day of July 2011.


Lakita Spann

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept the service of process for Girls Empowering Minds and Souls, Inc., a Florida corporation not for profit, at the place designated in the Articles of Incorporation of said corporation, I hereby accept such appointment and agree and act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of law relating to keeping said office open. I further acknowledge that I am familiar with, and accept, the obligations imposed upon registered agents, including the obligations imposed by section 607.0505 and 617.0503, Florida Statutes.


Lakita Spann

