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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF BROTHERS KEEPERS MINISTRIES, INC. (A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION)

The Undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is a natural person competent to contract and hereby form a non-profit Corporation under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

### **ARTICLE 1 – NAME**

The name of the Corporation is BROTHERS KEEPERS MINISTRIES, INC., (Hereinafter "Corporation").

# ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE OF CORPORATION

The mission is to render assistance to the socially and economically disadvantage members of the community such as the homeless, unemployed and low income families and individuals. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### **ARTICLE 3 – PROHIBITIONS**

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, 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 Second hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be 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. 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 4- OFFICERS**

The Directors shall be elected by a majority vote of the Members of this Corporation.

# **ARTICLE 5 - PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS**

The address and mailing address of the principal office of this Corporation is:

10645 NW 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Miami, Florida 33150

#### ARTICLE 6 - INITIAL INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator of this Corporation is:

Richard Nzeribe 160 NW 176 Street, Suite 200-4 Miami, Florida 33169

#### **ARTICLE 7 – DIRECTORS**

The initial director of this Corporation shall be:

President Segun Davis Vice President: Jocelyn Bergin Treasurer : Tennisha Bryan Financial Sec: Ayodele Adigun Secretary : Adela Watson Member : Richard Nzeribe Member : Falashade Davis Member : Verna Wray Member : Ezeiwu Azubuike Member Ayodele Michael Aina

#### **ARTICLE 8 – TERM OF EXISTENCE**

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### **ARTICLE 9 – CAPITAL STOCK**

This Corporation shall have no capital stock and shall be composed of members rather than shareholders.

# **ARTICLE 10 – QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP**

The categories of membership, qualifications for membership and the manner of admission shall be set forth in and regulated by the By Laws of this Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE 11 – VOTING RIGHTS**

Members of the Corporation will have such voting rights as are provided in the By Laws of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE 12 – REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The name and street address of initial registered agent of this Corporation is:

Richard Nzeribe 160 NW 176 Street, Suite 200-4 Miami, Florida 33169

#### **ARTICLE 13 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

These Articles of incorporation shall be effective immediately upon approval of the Secretary of State, State of Florida.

#### **ARTICLE 14 – AMENDMENT**

These Articles of incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law.

# **ARTICLE 15 - DISSOLUTION**

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, asset shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to the state of local government for public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by 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 determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, acknowledged and filed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation under the laws of the State of Florida, this

204 day of September 2011

# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED IN ARTICLES OF **INCORPORATION**

Richard Nzeribe, residing in the State of Florida identical with the registered agent of the Corporation named above, and having been designated as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under the applicable provisions of the Florida Statutes.