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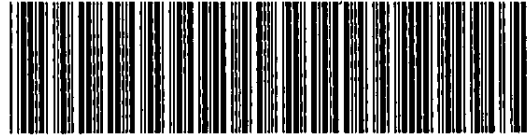
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EPHESUS COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL CENTER INC
1400 PALM BEACH LAKES BLVD
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33401

SUBJECT: EPHESUS COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL CENTER INC
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We have received your document for EPHESUS COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL CENTER INC and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
EPHESUS COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL CENTER INC.
1400 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401
561-727-6137

(Florida not-for-profit corporation)

The undersigned, acting as the incorporator of the Ephesus Community Educational Center 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 2011 approved by a majority of the Corporation's Board of Directors at its October 6, 2011, meeting, hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for the Corporation:

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be: Ephesus Community Educational Center 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: 1400 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

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 educational activities that will address health care and prevention education, substance abuse and public safety prevention, mentoring and career development training and opportunities to underserved communities. Our programs are designed to provide support that will build, uplift, motivate and enhance programs that serve to allow individuals to become better educated and prepared to become self sufficient. Our programs will be geared to address public safety, substance abuse prevention education, HIV/AIDS and teen pregnancy prevention, parenting skills, mentoring and counseling, vocational training , housing and career guidance and development. The Corporation's target goal will be to reach the general population.

ARTICLE IV: MANNER OF ELECTIONS

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:

The Board of directors shall be appointed by the corporate officer. The board shall meet at least twice a year, unless special sessions are needed and shall serve no longer than a two year term, after which time the new board members will be elected.

ARTICLE V: INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

The Board of Directors shall consist of seven (7) 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 three (3) 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.

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The Board of Directors consists of:

President – William C. Byrd, Pastor
18794 NW 24th Court
Pembroke Pines, FL 33029
954-436-7006

Vice President– Sylvester York
1400 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd
West Palm Beach, Fl 33401

Secretary – Charmaine Gutzmore
14388 64th Court
Loxahatchee, Florida 33470

Treasurer - Freddy Bivens
4011 Northshore Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33407

Board Member - Maxine Bowers
1416 13th Street
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Board Member - Pearlline Gibson
4114 Waverly Drive
West Palm Beach, FL 33407

Board Member – Suzette Haynes
1400 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd
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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

Sharon Browne
1400 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401
561- 727-6137

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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 registered office shall be:
1400 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Sharon Browne shall be the registered agent of the Corporation at that address.



SHARON BROWNE – REGISTERED AGENT

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ARTICLE VII

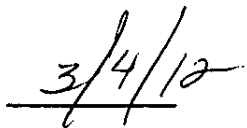
The name and address of the incorporator is:

SHARON BROWNE
1400 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of state constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.



Required Signature of Incorporator


Date

ARTICLE VIII: 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 IX: OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall be a Secretary, Treasurer, President 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 X: 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 intent to submit amendments shall have been given as provided by the By – Laws.

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ARTICLE XI: 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.

ARTICLE XII: 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 agreement of three quarters of the board vote.
2. Each member must disclose 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 must agree to these general principles and disclose any potential conflict.

ARTICLE XIII: MEMBERSHIP

The corporation shall be non-membership.