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#### **COVER LETTER**

TO: Amendment Section

**Division of Corporations** Giving in Earnest, Inc. The enclosed Articles of Amendment and fee are submitted for filing. Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following: Michael J Faehner (Name of Contact Person) M Faehner Esq LLC (Firm/ Company) 600 Bypass Drive, Suite 208 (Address) Clearwater, FL 33764 (City/ State and Zip Code) mfaehner@mfaehner.com E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification) For further information concerning this matter, please call: Michael J Faehner (Name of Contact Person) Enclosed is a check for the following amount made payable to the Florida Department of State: ■ \$35 Filing Fee □\$43.75 Filing Fee & □\$43.75 Filing Fee & □\$52.50 Filing Fee Certificate of Status Certified Copy Certificate of Status (Additional copy is Certified Copy (Additional Copy is enclosed) Enclosed) **Mailing Address** Street Address

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Tallahassee, FL 32314

#### Articles of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of

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If amending the Officers and/or Directors, enter the title and name of each officer/director being removed and title, name, and address of each Officer and/or Director being added:

(Attach additional sheets, if necessary)

Please note the officer/director title by the first letter of the office title:

P = President; V = Vice President; T = Treasurer; S = Secretary; D = Director; TR = Trustee; C = Chairman or Clerk; CEO = Chief Executive Officer; CFO = Chief Financial Officer. If an officer/director holds more than one title, list the first letter of each office held. President, Treasurer, Director would be PTD.

Changes should be noted in the following manner. Currently John Doe is listed as the PST and Mike Jones is listed as the V. There is a change, Mike Jones leaves the corporation, Sally Smith is named the V and S. These should be noted as John Doe, PT as a Change, Mike Jones, V as Remove, and Sally Smith, SV as an Add.

Example: X Change	<u>PT</u>	John Do	<u>&gt;e</u>	
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E. If amending or adding additional Articles, enter change(s) here: (attach additional sheets, if necessary). (Be specific)  See attached amended articles of incorporation.				

## ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR GIVING IN EARNEST INC.

#### **ARTICLE I**

Name of Corporation

The name of this not-for-profit corporation shall be GIVING IN EARNEST INC.

### ARTICLE II Principal Office

The principal office and mailing address of the corporation is located at 5107 29th Avenue South, Gulfport, FL 33707.

#### **ARTICLE III**

Purposes

The corporation shall be organized as a not-for-profit corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, incorporated on a non-stock basis. The corporation is to be formed exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law. Specifically, the corporation is to create and focus on social, cultural and literary awareness programs that directly impact the health and well-being development of our youth on the basis of social justice, economic equity and human dignity. In furtherance of these purposes, the corporation may engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

Duration

The corporation shall have perpetual duration.

#### ARTICLE V

Powers

This corporation shall have all of the corporate powers enumerated as it may be amended from time to time and set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes provided, however, that none of the powers granted to this corporation shall be used in any manner

whatsoever in contravention of the purpose or purposes for which the corporation has been formed as set in Article III.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### Prohibited Acts and Restrictions

This corporation shall operate exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, in the course of which operation:

- A. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, 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 herein.
- B. 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 publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.
- C. 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.
- D. The corporation will distribute its income for each tax year at a time and in a manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- E. The corporation will not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- F. The corporation will not retain any excess business holdings as defined in section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

- G. The corporation will not make any investments in any manner as to subject it to tax under section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- H. The corporation will not make any taxable expenditure as defined in section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### Dissolution

The corporation may be dissolved with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than two thirds (2/3) of the voting membership. Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future Internal Revenue Code), or shall be distributed 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 determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### Board of Directors and Officers

The management of the affairs of this corporation is vested in its Board of Directors which shall consist of not less than three (3) members. All members of the Board shall be elected or appointed in the manner and for the terms prescribed in the Bylaws of the corporation, and shall hold office until their respective successors are duly elected or appointed. The Board of Directors, at its annual meeting, shall elect a President, Vice President, Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers and Directors as may, in the opinion of the Board, from time to time be necessary to adequately administer the affairs of the corporation, such officers to hold office at the pleasure of the Board or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The officers of the corporation shall have such duties as may be specified by the Board or by the Bylaws of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

#### Initial Board of Directors and Officers

The initial Board of Directors and its officers shall be comprised of the following individuals, each of whom is to hold office until the first election to be held under the provisions of the Articles or the provisions of the Bylaws:

President:

Earnest Graham Jr.

16909 LeClare Estates Pl., Lutz, FL 33558

Vice-President:

Karen St. Jean

5107 29th Avenue South, Gulfport, FL 33707

Treasurer:

Alicia Graham

16909 LeClare Estates Pl., Lutz, FL 33558

Secretary:

Corris L. McIntosh, Jr.

503 Hibiscus Avenue, Lehigh Acres, FL 33972

#### **ARTICLE X**

**Bylaws** 

The Bylaws of the corporation shall be adopted by the initial Board of Directors, as constituted under Article IX above, at the organizational meeting of the Board, and said Bylaws may thereafter be amended, by the affirmative vote of at least two thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors present and voting.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

#### Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by the affirmative vote of at least two thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors of this corporation, present and voting, at any meeting of the Board of Directors called specifically for that purpose.

#### **ARTICLE XII**

Registered Agent

The name of the initial registered agent of this corporation is

Michael J. Faehner, Esquire 600 Bypass Drive, Suite 208 Clearwater, Florida 33764

#### **ARTICLE XIII**

Indemnification

The corporation shall indemnify any officer or Director, or any former officer or Director, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

#### **ARTICLE XIV**

#### Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Earnest Graham Jr. 16909 LeClare Estates Pl., Lutz, FL 33558

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2012.

Earnest Graham, Incorporator

In the Presence Of:

## ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION AS REGISTERED AGENT

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Having been named to accept service of process for GIVING IN EARNEST INC. at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept and agree to act in said capacity and agree to comply with the provisions of the Florida Corporation Act relative to keeping open said office.

Michael J Faehner, Registered Agent

In the Presence Of:

The	e date of each amendment(s) adoption: June 2012					
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	(no more than 90 days after amendment file date)					
Ado	option of Amendment(s) ( <u>CHECK ONE</u> )					
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	Dated June 282012					
	Signature  (By the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer-if directors have not been selected, by an incorporator – if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary by that fiduciary)					
	Earnest Graham, Jr.					
	(Typed or printed name of person signing)					
	President					
	(Title of person signing)					