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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

HOUSING FIRST STEPS FORWARD, INC.

The undersigned incorporator hereby executes these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE 1

Name

The name of this corporation shall be:

HOUSING FIRST STEPS FORWARD, INC.

ARTICLE 2

Purposes

- (a) The purpose for which this corporation is organized is to address chronic homelessness, and to engage in any lawful purpose or purposes not for pecuniary profit.
- (b) This corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes. As means for the accomplishment of the foregoing, it shall be within the purposes of this corporation to make distributions of income to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any statute of similar import (the "Code"), and to take any other action which, from time to time, shall seem expedient to the Directors of this corporation and which shall further the said purposes.
- (c) No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any Director, officer of this corporation, or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for this corporation affecting one or more of its purposes), and no Director or officer of this corporation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of this corporation. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and this 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.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, this corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conduct-

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ed or carried on by an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or the regulations issued thereunder, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code and regulations issued thereunder.

(e) Upon the dissolution of this corporation or the winding up of its affairs, the assets of this corporation shall be distributed exclusively to charitable, scientific or educational organizations which then would qualify for the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and the regulations issued thereunder, and no Director, officer or private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the assets.

ARTICLE 3

Principal Office and Mailing Address

The address of the principal office and the mailing address of this corporation shall be:

1414 W. Swann Ave., Ste. 100 Tampa, FL 33606

ARTICLE 4

Powers

- (a) This corporation shall have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect any and all of the charitable, scientific and educational purposes for which this corporation is organized.
- (b) This corporation shall neither have nor exercise any power, nor shall it engage directly or indirectly in any activity that would invalidate its status:
 - (1) As a corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code; or
 - (2) As a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

ARTICLE 5

Members

This corporation shall have no members.

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ARTICLE 6

Duration

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE 7

Registered Office and Registered Agent

The initial registered office of this corporation shall be located at 2907 Bay to Bay Blvd., Ste. 201, Tampa, FL 33629, and the initial registered agent of this corporation at such office shall be Thomas P. McNamara. This corporation shall have the right to change such registered agent and such registered office from time to time, as provided by law.

ARTICLE 8

Incorporator

The name and street address of the incorporator making these Articles of Incorporation are:

Name

Address

Thomas P. McNamara

2907 Bay to Bay Blvd., Ste. 201 Tampa, FL 33629

ARTICLE 9

Officers and Directors

The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors who shall be elected by the Board of Directors, and by officers who shall be elected by the Board of Directors. The officers thus to be elected shall be a president, a secretary and a treasurer and such other officers as may be provided for in the bylaws of this corporation. The duties of the respective officers and the manner of filling vacancies in the offices of this corporation shall be as provided in the bylaws.

The number of Directors and the manner of filling vacancies in the Board of Directors shall be provided in the bylaws of this corporation. The number shall not be less than three, but may be any number in excess thereof. A quorum for the transaction of business shall be a majority of the Directors qualified and active, and the act of a

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majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Directors. Meetings of the Directors may be held within or without the State of FlorIda.

ARTICLE 10

Directors

The initial members of the Board of Directors of this corporation shall consist of five members, such members to hold office until their successors have been duly elected and qualify. The names and street addresses of the initial members of the Board of Directors are:

<u>Name</u>	Address
Kamela Corbett	777 N Ashley Drive, Unit 2312 Tampa, FL 33602
Guy King	4507 Bayshore Blvd Tampa, FL 33611
Todd Leiweke	401 Channelside Drive Tampa, FL 33602
Calvīn H. Reed	3301 Bayshore Boulevard, Unit #1706 Tampa, FL 33629
David H. Reed	1414 W. Swann Ave., Ste. 100 Tampa, FL 33606

ARTICLE 11

ByLaws

The power to adopt the bylaws of this corporation, to alter, amend or repeal the bylaws, or to adopt new bylaws, shall be vested in the Board of Directors of this corporation.

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ARTICLE 12

Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon the stockholders herein are subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation for the uses and purposes therein stated.

THOMAS P. MCNAMARA

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HOUSING FIRST STEPS FORWARD, INC. ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE AS REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned, Thomas P. McNamara, having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above-named corporation at the registered office designated in the Articles of Incorporation, hereby agrees and consents to act in that capacity. The undersigned is familiar with and accepts the duties and obligations of a registered agent under applicable law.

DATED this 25 day of June, 2013.

THOMAS P. MCNAMARA

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