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SUBJECT: The American Foundation For Financial Investment & Savings Eduational Training, Inc.				
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Enclosed is an origin	nal and one (1) copy of the	e Articles of Incorporation	and a check for :	
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FR		Clifton H. Rodriquez, CPA, CIA, MPA  Name (Printed or typed)		
		3146 NW 68th Street		
	Address			
	For	Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309-1206 City, State & Zip		
		(954)557-9038		
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crodzzz@bellsouth.net

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)



### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

November 18, 2013

CLIFTON H. RODRIGUEZ 3146 NW 68TH STREET FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309-1206

SUBJECT: AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR FINANCIAL INVESTMENT &

SAVING EDUCATIONAL TRAINING, INC.

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We have received your document for AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR FINANCIAL INVESTMENT & SAVING EDUCATIONAL TRAINING, 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):

Entities may file using only the entity's name. Please delete any reference to the "doing business as name" in your document. If you wish to register your fictitious name, you may do so by filing an application and submitting the appropriate fees to this office.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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The American Foundation for Financial Investment & Savings Educational Training, Inc.

THE UNDERSIGNED Clifton H. Rodriquez, CPA, CIA, MPA, Executive Director/CEO/Chairman of the Board of Directors/Trustees of <a href="mailto:the American Foundation">the American Foundation</a> for Financial Investment & Savings Educational Training, Inc., the proposed Florida not-for-profit corporation does hereby file these articles of incorporation on behalf of said corporation.

Article No. 1: The name of the Corporation shall be the American Foundation for Financial Investment & Savings Educational Training, Inc.

Article No. 2: The Purpose of the Entity.

The American Foundation For Financial Investment & Savings Educational Training, Inc. is established for educational, charitable and spiritual edification purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the *Internal Revenue Code* of 1986 (or the corresponding Section of any future U.S. Internal Revenue Law), including the making of distribution to organizations that qualify as exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future U.S. Internal Revenue Law).

The primary purpose for which this corporation is to function is as a community-based entity through its charitable, educational, and computer literacy programs which will attempt to improve the lives of those who are economically disadvantaged by providing an avenue for a more prosperous and successful life. The entity shall function under the auspices of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The purpose for which corporation is organized shall be limited to those which are strictly outlined above. In no event shall this corporation engage in any activity which would be contrary to the purposes and activities: (1) permitted to be engaged in by any organization the activities of which are exempted from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; or (3) of a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as hereafter amended, and the applicable rules and regulations there under.

The corporation shall not engage, nor shall any of its funds, property, or income be used in carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall AFIT participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, nor shall the AFIT engage in subversive activities.

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# The American Foundation for Financial Investment & Savings Educational Training, Inc.

#### Article No. 3- Powers of the Corporation.

The corporation shall have all the powers granted to not-for-profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida which are necessary or convenient to effect any and all purposes for which the Foundation is organized. In the event, however, shall the corporation have or exercise any power which would cause it not to qualify as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) or Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as hereafter amended, and the applicable rules and regulations there under, nor shall AFIT engage directly or indirectly in any activity which would cause the loss of such qualification. No part of the assets or the net earnings, current or accumulated, of the AFIT shall inure to the benefits of any private individual.

#### Article No.4-Term of Existence

The American Foundation For Financial Investment & Savings Educational Training, Inc. will be an ongoing or perpetual in its nature.

## Article No.5-Officers, Trustees/Directors of the Corporation.

The officers/trustees/directors were elected to serve on the board in accordance with the Bylaws of the Organization. The following officers/trustees have been initially appointed to serve:

	Name of Officer	Position
1.	Clifton H. Rodriquez, CPA	Executive Director/CEO/Chairman
2.	Cedric Yapp	Executive Vice President/Trustee/Director
3.	Bishop Lipton McKenzie	Trustee/Director/Chaplain
4.	Terri B. Rodriquez	Trustee/Director
5.	Robb Sawyer	Trustee/Director
6.	Georgia Marion Rodriquez	Trustee/Director
7.	Cora Hutchinson	Trustee/Director

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#### Article No.6-The Executive Board of the Entity

The officers/trustees of corporation shall make up the Executive Board. The Executive Board shall function as senior management of the Foundation. Members of the Executive Board will be appointed in accordance with the Bylaws. The Executive Board is the body charged with the management and responsibility for running the organization. The Board shall establish the objective of the organization and determine the policy for the development of said objectives. The Executive Board shall promote the organization, organize new chapters and serve as advisors for new chapter. When necessary this board shall duly transact business for the success of the organization.

#### Article No.7-The By-laws of this Entity.

The By-Laws of this corporation shall be initially approved by a majority vote of the Executive Board and thereafter may be altered or rescinded by a majority vote of the Executive Board, or a majority vote of the members at the annual meeting of the Executive Board or the members, or at a duly called meeting of the Executive Board or members in accordance with the By-Laws.

#### **Article No.8-Dissolution of this Entity**

Upon the liquidation or dissolution of this corporation, its assets, if any, remains after the payment of all liabilities of this corporation, shall be distributed to organizations that are organized and operated exclusively for educational and charitable purposes and is tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and the applicable rules and regulations there under. The organizations to which the net assets will be distributed will be selected by AFIT, or competent court in the county where the organization is located. No parts of the assets or net earnings, current or accumulated, of Foundation or any of its subsidiaries shall inure to the benefit of any persons or group of individuals.

#### Article No. 9-Unrelated Executive Board Members

As soon as it is feasible, and if it becomes necessary, The corporation's directors/trustees shall appoint outside members to serve on the Executive Board. The outside Board members must be U.S. residents and/or citizen and members of the local community who qualify to be appointed to the positions, and shall govern in accordance with the bylaws of this corporation.

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# Article No. 10-The Corporation's Mailing Address & Principal Office

The principal address of the corporation shall be the following: 3146 NW 68<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite No.1, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309. The mailing address shall be the same.

#### Article No. 11-Prohibition Against Unauthorized Activities

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private person, except the Foundation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in the preceding articles hereof. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

#### Article No. 12-Conflict of Interest Issues

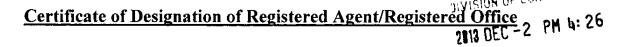
Any conflict of interest issues arising during the life of the corporation shall be resolved in accordance with the specified guidelines outlined in the Bylaws of the entity. Any member of the board of trustees/directors shall refrain from voting on any matters in which there is a direct, perceived, implied or explicit conflict of interest involving them. This would be evident whenever any compensation package is voted upon by the Board of Trustees/directors for the Executive Director, or any officer of the organization.

#### Article No. 13-Incorporator(s) of Subscriber (s) to these Articles

The undersigned incorporator(s) has executed these articles of incorporation on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013.

(Clifton H. Rodriquez, CPA MPA)

3146 NW 68<sup>th</sup> Street, Ste.1 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309



PURSUANT TO THE PROVISION OF SECTION 607.0501 OR 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

- 1. The name of the Corporation is the American Foundation For Financial Investment & Savings Educational Training, Inc.
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office are as follows:

Clifton H. Rodriquez, CPA, CIA, MPA 3146 NW 68<sup>th</sup> Street Suite No. 1 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service for the above state 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 obligation of my position as registered agent.

(Signature of Registered Agent