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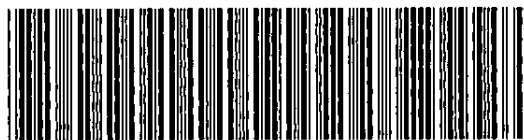
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**THE CORPORATION FOR COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
UNITED, INC.
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

- A Non-profit Corporation -

ARTICLE I -NAME

The name of the corporation is the Corporation for Community and Economic Development United, *Inc.*

ARTICLE II -PRINCIPLE OFFICE

The principal office and mailing address of the corporation is 1925 Vineland Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32317-7920.

ARTICLE III -PURPOSES

Corporation for Community and Economic Development United, Inc

Section 1: The ~~CEEDU~~ is founded as a national corporation not for profit organization to support community economic development and empowerment, foster leadership, champion diversity, invest in education, create economic opportunities, and achieve sustainable and 'healthy' communities. The purposes shall include, but not limited to, the following:

- A. To develop comprehensive community development strategies and partnerships that Address the social, education and economic challenges facing the Nation's highly impoverished and distressed communities and neighborhoods;
- B. To collect, evaluate and disseminate pertinent empirical data that influence the Equitable allocation and stewardship of federal, state, local, and private financial Resources targeted for improving the quality of life for the Nation's poorest Communities;
- C. To assist with the planning, development and capacity building of non-profit Organizations and government organizations;
- D. To pursue basic and applied research on economic development issues confronting The Nation's poorest areas and neighborhoods;
- E. To train a diverse population of community leaders interested in strengthening Communities and neighborhoods;
- F. To bring visibility to and to address the social and economic plight of disadvantaged Residents living in the Nation without regards to racial, ethnic, religious, or gender Distinction;
- G. To serve in an advocacy role that assist the Nation's leaders in developing

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Initiatives and strategies with the expressed intent of preventing civil unrest, and Social disorganization;

- H. To provide assistance and support services to youth and young adults through academic, career exploration and personal development;
- I. To preserve the historic significance of minority neighborhoods and communities through the restoration of homes, commercial buildings, and continuing the legacy of annual cultural events;
- J. To advocate for healthy families and neighborhoods through the access to physical activity facilities and green spaces; and,
- K. The Corporation shall establish Affiliates in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia.

Section 2: All the assets and earnings of the corporation shall be used exclusively for the exempt purposes set forth above, including the payment of expenses incidental thereto. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any individual, and no substantial part of its activities shall be for the carrying out of a program of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provisions of any subsequent revenue laws). The corporation shall have no capital stock, pay no dividends, distribute no part of the income to its members, directors, or officers, and the private property of the subscribers, members, directors, and officers shall not be liable for the debts of the corporation.

ARTICLE IV

MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Section 1: Initial Board of Directors

A. Board of Directors, each of whom shall be members of the corporation, shall govern the corporation. The initial board shall be appointed by the organizer and ratified by members of the through an oral vote. Subsequent elections shall be by a majority vote of the board by ballot as specified in the bylaws. There shall be three (3) directors on the initial Board of Directors. The number of directors may be increased or decreased, but shall never be less than three (3) and more than nine (9).

Section 2: Qualifications, Terms, Duties and Dismissal of Officers

The qualifications, terms of office, duties and the removal of officers shall be set forth as follows:

General The officers of the corporation will consist of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Terms Each Officer shall be elected to serve an uninterrupted two-year term. No officer shall be elected to serve more than two consecutive terms. In addition, at no time, shall more than two (2) Officers from the same organization serve, during the same term.

Removal Any officer may be removed from office with just cause by a vote of two-thirds of the eligible board members. Failures by any Officer, to attend 75% of official business meetings of the Board within a 12-month period, shall be deemed just cause for removal and such officer to a vote for removal by the board.

Officers Duties The general duties for the officers are described as follow:

President: Presides at all meetings and conducts the meeting under the Robert Rules of Order. The President will appoint chairpersons to serve on committees necessary to support the mission of the Corporation.

Vice President: Executes the duties of the President in his/her absence and serve in specific duties as defined by the President.

Secretary: Manages all written correspondence for the Corporation. This includes the proper handling of all official minutes, notices and announcements.

Treasurer: Manages all financial affairs of the corporation. This entails the collection, depositing and distribution of the corporation funds, including serving as the Chairperson of the finance committee. Ensure that financial records are available at each meeting.

Section 3: The names of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors of the corporation and who shall be subject to all the provisions of the purpose relating to the directors are as follows:

Name	Title	Address
Patricia W. McGill, Ph.D.	Chair	1925 Vineland Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32317
Delaitre J. Hollinger	Member	501 Alpha Avenue, Tallahassee, FL 32305
Patsy Gardner	Member	7916 Elderberry Circle North Charleston, SC 29418

ARTICLE V

LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS

The corporation shall have any and all powers to do any and all things necessary or expedient to carry out the purposes and objectives of a Corporation, subject to these article of incorporation and by-laws, and shall possess all rights, privileges and immunities and enjoy all benefits granted corporations under the State of

Florida, but limited only to such powers that are in furtherance of tax exempt purposes.

**ARTICLE VI
INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

In accordance with Section 617.0501 and 607.0505 Florida Statutes, Patricia W. McGill is hereby designated as the registered agent for services of process within the State of Florida at 1925 Vineland Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32317.

Patricia W. McGill

ARTICLE VII - LIMITATIONS

Corporate Purpose *The Corporation For Community And Economic Development United, Inc.*
The ~~CCEDU Corporation~~ is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes including those that qualify as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE VIII - TERM OF EXISTENCE

The corporation shall have perpetual existence. Corporate existence shall commence on the date of the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Florida Division of Corporations.

ARTICLE IX - DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code for a public purpose.

Incorporator:

Patricia W. McGill

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