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Lignum Vitae Community Inc. Articles of Incorporation

LIGNUM VITAE COMMUNITY INC.

A Florida Not for profit Corporation

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ARTICLE I NAME

The Name of the corporation shall be **Lignum Vitae Community Inc.** a Non-profit Florida Corporation.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Principal street address:

390 SW 5th Ave. Boca Raton, FL 33432

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ARTICLE III PURPOSE

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes as specified in Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is to raise and disburse funds in order to support Bahamian organizations that provide opportunities and programs to the Bahamian community. These include youth development programs, adult learning programs and vocational projects that promote life skills and financial independence. Youth programs include, but are not limited to, youth development programs such as 4-H, which are known to enable young people to develop the knowledge, attitudes and skills they need to become competent, caring citizens. Vocational and adult projects are focused on strengthening financial situations and empowering single women to build careers for themselves. The overarching focus is to build strong communities that provide a safe, stable and positive environment for youth and those around them.

The corporation shall seek grants from other funding sources and donations from the public in order to support its primary activities. Its fundraising activities will allow it to provide much needed resources and support to other entities worldwide that are achieving social and educational objectives with children and adults alike. It is intent on promoting any charitable purpose particularly the advancement of education and promotion of vocational programs. It seeks to support, subsidize, grant financial or material assistance to, or assist in the promotion, support or sustenance of any charitable, scientific or educational body, organization, institution or purpose anywhere in the world.

The corporation shall accept gifts, donations and endowments, and make gifts, donations and endowments for or to any charitable, scientific or educational undertaking, organization, institution or purpose anywhere in the world that meets the tax-exempt requirements of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

To maximize our impact on efforts to support those most in need in Bahamian communities, the corporation may seek to collaborate with other non-profit organizations which qualify under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are operated exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes.

The corporation may, at some point in the future, establish its own programs and services within or without the United States, fulfilling the above stated missions directly and in keeping with its commitment to function as a charitable entity falling under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE IV NON-PROFIT NATURE

Lignum Vitae Community Inc. is organized exclusively for charitable, scientific, and educational purposes including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code. No part of the net earnings of Lignum Vitae Community Inc. shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, 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 in the purpose clause hereof.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by any organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Lignum Vitae Community Inc. is not organized and shall not be operated for the private gain of any person. The property of the corporation is irrevocably dedicated to its educational, scientific and charitable purposes. No part of the assets, receipts, or net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to any individual. The corporation may, however, pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make other payments and distributions consistent with these Articles.

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ARTICLE V MANNER OF ELECTION

Directors shall be appointed or elected as indicated in the bylaws of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI INITIAL OFFICERS AND/OR DIRECTORS

Name and Title:

Name and Title:

Shelagh Pritchard – President and Director 390 SW 5th Ave.

Boca Raton, FL 33432

Shirley Georgann Cartwright - Treasurer P.O. Box SS 6993 and Director

Nassau, Bahamas

Dr. Norma Samuel - Secretary and Director

10624 SW 38th Ave Ocala, FL 34476 Jill Patterson - Director 727 Forsyth Street Boca Raton, FL 33487

ARTICLE V REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

Name:

InCorp Services, Inc.

Address:

17888 67th Court North Loxahatchee, FL 33470

County: Palm Beach

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Name:

Kirsten Stevens

Address:

151 NC Highway 9, Ste B #172

Black Mountain, NC 28711

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Having been named as a registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated at this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity

InCorp. Services, Inc.

Required Signature of Registered Agent

Date

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.

Kirsten Stevens

Required Signature of Incorporator

Date