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Coalition for Black Student Excellence of the Palm Beach, Inc. SUBJECT:				
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – <u>MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX</u>)				
Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :				
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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

ARTICLE I NAME

1.01 Name

The name of this corporation shall be Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc.

1.02 Physical & Mailing Address

2620 North Australian Avenue Suite 100-S West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

ARTICLE II DURATION

2.01 Duration

The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

3.01 Purpose

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is: This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, literary, educational, and scientific purposes, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The Corporation may receive and administer funds for charitable, religious, literary, educational, or scientific purposes, with the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to aid anyone that needs assistance in achieving a life of self-sufficiency. To the extent consistent with the above general purposes, the specific purposes of the organization will consist of but not limited to:

- **3.02** To receive property by gift, devise or bequest subject to the laws relating to the transfer of property by gift or will;
- **3.03** To act as Trustee under any trust incidental to the principal objects of the corporation and to receive, hold, administer and expend funds and property subject to such trust;

- **3.04** 'To take, purchase or otherwise acquire; to own, hold, occupy, use; manage, improve, develop and work; to grant, sell, exchange, let, demise and otherwise dispose of real estate, buildings, and improvements and every right, interest, and estate therein without limit as to the amount thereof and wheresoever's the same may be situated; to erect, construct, alter and repair buildings; to assume any and every kind of contract, agreement and obligation by or with any person, firm, corporation, or association, or any Federal, State, or other government for the erection, construction, alteration, repair, renewal, equipment, improvement, development, use, leasing, management or control of any buildings, improvements or structures of any kind wherever the same may be situated;
- **3.05** To enter into, make, perform, and carry out contracts of every kind for any lawful purpose without limit as to amount and with any person, firm, association or corporation; to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, issue, and execute promissory notes, warrants, and other negotiable or transferrable interests;
- **3.06** To purchase or otherwise acquire, to own, hold, use, to sell, assign and transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, deal in or deal with personal property of every kind and description without limit as to the amount thereof, and affairs and attainment of the exempt purposes of the corporation and to have and exercise all the powers now or hereafter conferred by the laws of the State;

3.07 Public Benefit

Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. is designated as a public benefit corporation.

ARTICLE IV NON-PROFIT NATURE

4.01 Non-profit Nature

Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. is organized exclusively for charitable 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 federal tax code. No part of the net earnings of

Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, 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.

Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, 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 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.

4.02 Personal Liability

No officer or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property or assets of the officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

4.03 Dissolution

Upon termination or dissolution of the Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. any assets lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed to one (1) or more qualifying organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or described in any corresponding provision of any successor statute) which organization or organizations have a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the terminating or dissolving corporation.

The organization to receive the assets of the Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. hereunder shall be selected by the discretion of a majority of the managing body of the Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. and if its members cannot so agree, then the recipient organization shall be selected pursuant to a verified petition

in equity filed in a court of proper jurisdiction against the Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. by one (1) or more of its managing body which verified petition shall contain such statements as reasonably indicate the applicability of this section. The court upon a finding that this section is applicable shall select the qualifying organization or organizations to receive the assets to be distributed, giving preference if practicable to organizations located within the State of Florida.

In the event that the court shall find that this section is applicable but that there is no qualifying organization known to it which has a charitable purpose, which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to this corporation, then the court shall direct the distribution of its assets lawfully available for distribution to the Treasurer of the State of Florida to be added to the general fund.

4.04 Prohibited Distributions

No part of the net earnings or properties of this corporation, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers or other private person or individual, 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 Article III, Section 3.01.

4.05 Restricted Activities

No substantial part of the corporation's activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

4.06 Prohibited Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (I) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (II) 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.

ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.01 Governance

Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. shall be governed by its board of directors.

5.02 Initial Directors

The initial directors of the corporation shall be:

Deandre Poole 2216 22nd Way Jackie Calloway 11270 Mainsail Court Wellington, FL 33449 Latanzia Jackson P.O. Box 22475 Claudia Jones 1106 4th Street

West Palm Beach, FL 33407 West Palm Beach, FL 33416 Lake Park, Florida 33403

Chair Vice-Chairman Treasurer Secretary

The manner in which the officers and directors are elected or appointed are provided for in the bylaws:

ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

6.01 Membership

Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. shall have no members. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined in the corporation's bylaws.

ARTICLE VII **AMENDMENTS**

7.01 Amendments

Any amendment to the Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the board of directors.

ARTICLE VIII APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT

9.01 Registered Agent

The registered agent of the corporation shall be:

Deandre Poole 2216 22nd Way West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

ARTICLE IX INCORPORATOR

The incorporators of the corporation are as follow:

Deandre Poole 2216 22nd Way West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above stated Articles of Incorporation of Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc. were approved by the board of directors on <u>03/23/2016</u> and constitute a complete copy of Articles of Incorporation of the Coalition for Black Student Excellence of Palm Beach County, Inc.

Deandre Poole 2216 22nd Way West Palm Beach, FL 33407

Jackie Calloway 11270 Mainsail Court Wellington, FL 33449

Latanzia Jackson P.O. Box 22475 West Palm Beach, FL 33416

Claudia Jones 1106 4th Street Lake Park, Florida 33403

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

Signature/Registered Agent

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.

Signature/Incorporator