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## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

March 12, 2021

DEBRA PETERSON MINORITY EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORPORAT 1511 SE 23RD AVENUE UNIT 1A POMPANO BEACH, FL 33062

SUBJECT: MINORITY EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

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YOU MUST SUBMIT EITHER THE DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT FORM OR YOUR OWN FORM ENTITLED AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BUT NOT BOTH. IT SHOULD BE ENTITLED AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR MINORITY EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION. WE WILL ATTACH THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS FORM TO THIS DOCUMENT.

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#### **COVER LETTER**

**TO:** Amendment Section Division of Corporations

MINORITY EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION NAME OF CORPORATION:
N17000001366 DOCUMENT NUMBER:
The enclosed Articles of Amendment and fee are submitted for filing.
Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:
DEBRA PETERSON
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MINORITY EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION
(Firm/ Company)
1511 SE 23RD AVENUE UNIT 1A
(Address)
POMPANO BEACH, FL 33062
(City/ State and Zip Code)
DEBRAPETERSON@HSYSTEMSCORP.ORG
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)
For further information concerning this matter, please call:
DEBRA PETERSON 954 214-6332
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Division of Corporations
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#### AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Articles of Incorporation

Minority Educational

Technology Corporation

ARTICLE I — NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

### **Container Housing Systems Corporation**

ARTICLE II- PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be

1511 SE 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Suite 1A Pompano Beach, FL 33062

ARTICLE III — PURPOSE

The perpetual purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

This is a perpetual corporation Container Housing Systems Corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law or successor statue ("Code"). Consistent with and subject to its qualification under Section 501 (C) (3) of the Code, the corporation is organized and operated as a non-profit.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided in Section 501 (h) of the Code.) The corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statement any political campaign on behalf of (or in Opposition to) any candidate for public office, all within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3).

The Corporation is formed solely for charitable and educational purposes. The Corporation is not organized, nor shall it be operated for, the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit and it will not distribute any gains, profits, or dividends to the Members thereof or to any 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 its specific and primary purposes. The property, assets, profits, and net income of the Corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes and no part of the profits or net income of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any Director, Officer, or Member thereof or to the benefit of any individual.

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#### ARTICLE IV - MANNER OF ELECTION

The way the directors are elected or appointed:

The Parliamentary procedure is used for election or appointment of officers for the voting rights of self-perpetuating board to continue to re-elect its members to consecutive terms.

#### ARTICLE V — CORPORATION POWERS

The corporation shall have all the powers granted by law necessary and proper to carry out its above stated purposes, consist with its qualification under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Code. The perpetual powers:

- (A) The specific and primary purposes are: (1) To create a safe, clean, self-governed communities and provide decent and affordable housing for the low moderate income families and individuals who live in our domestic states including the residents of the State of Florida who are in distress. Create both rental and housing units for sale to low- and moderate-income individuals and families and all others that can obtain a mortgage.
- (2) To promote community wide interest and concern for homeless and other economically distressed residents of the State of Florida, to the end that: (a) their quality of life may be improved, (b) their educational and economic opportunities may be improved, (c) sickness, poverty and crime may be lessened, (d) all constitutional and human rights of all people are respected and protected, (e) mutual interdependence of all people may be recognized, and (f) the mutual aid among, by and for poor people may be facilitated.
- (3) To provide basic living facilities for otherwise homeless, low to moderate income individuals, using temporary and/or semipermanent structures, and to engage in alternative, sustainable, earth-friendly housing development and production and related activities in order to improve the living conditions and economic well-being of individuals.
- (4) To create a social environment of non-violence, self-determination and cooperation that encourages economically distressed residents to pursue their life goals and aspirations, especially regarding adequate housing and employment, with a sense of self-respect and dignity
- (5) To provide community-based living facilities and related peer-based support services to said residents to assist them in the pursuit and actualization of their life goals and aspirations regarding housing and work, and to enter into collaborative partnerships with certain private businesses, nonprofit organizations and/or government agencies for such purposes.
- (6) To expand the opportunities available to said residents to own, manage, and operate and develop worker-owned and democratically operated enterprises, and to assist said residents in developing entrepreneurial and management skills for the successful operation of such enterprises.

- (7) To do all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attainment of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental agencies, bureaus or departments.
- (B) In furtherance, but not in limitation, of the foregoing charitable and educational purposes, the Corporation shall have the following powers:
- (1) To solicit, collect, and receive money and other assets, and to administer funds and contributions received by grant, gift, deed, or bequest, and otherwise to acquire money, securities, property, rights, and services of every kind and description, and to hold, invest, expend, contribute, use, sell or otherwise dispose of any of the aforementioned assets so acquired for the purposes above mentioned.
- (2) To borrow money and to make, accept, endorse, execute, and issue bonds, promissory notes, and other corporate obligations, for moneys borrowed or in payment for property acquired or for any of the purposes of the Corporation and to secure payment of any such obligation by mortgage, pledge, deed, indenture, agreement, or other instrument of trust, or by another lien upon, assignment of, or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property, rights, or privileges of the Corporation.
- (3) To invest and reinvest its funds in such mortgages, bonds, shares of preferred and common stock, and any other securities of any kind whatsoever, and property, real, personal, or mixed, tangible or intangible, all as the Corporation's Board members shall seem advisable and as may be permitted by law.
- (4) To provide consulting and advisory services related to all of the Corporations charitable and educational purposes to private businesses, non-profit organizations and government agencies on a fee basis.
- (5) To engage in the activity of operating worker-owned and democratically operated community-wealth business ventures for the purposes of: (a) providing job training, employment, and managerial development opportunities to economically distressed or disadvantaged individuals, (b) incubating such enterprises during start-up stages until such time as they may opt to incorporate as a private corporation, and (c) furthering sustainable economic development in the community.
- (6) To engage in all other activities which will directly or indirectly improve the welfare and economic conditions of said residents and groups.
- (7) To exercise all other rights and powers conferred upon corporations under the Florida Nonprofit Corporation Law; provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in any activities or exercise any powers, including those specifically mentioned herein, that are not in furtherance of the specific and primary charitable and educational purposes of the Corporation.
- (8) To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect any of or all the purposes of which the Corporation is organized.

- (C) To furnish money, aid and assistance, or lend money with or without interest, secured or unsecured, to school associations to assist in acquiring sites, buildings, or equipment; in erecting, improving, or school buildings, the enlarging of exempt organizations: or and to assist with loans at interest for down payment to secure a residence; or in extreme cases, to lend the full amount needed to secure a residence; Also to underwrite and/or guarantee the payments of obligations of property acquired through sales and acquisitions.
- (D). To make and adopt by majority vote of its delegates in regular meeting assembled, Bylaws for the government of this corporation and its Board of Directors;
- (E). To adopt and secure a corporate seal
- (F). To receive and disburse monies for the work of the nonprofit's vision. To receive foundation grants, institutional funding, and advance fundraising events. Federal financial aid and student loans, including scholarship awards.
- (G). To receive, acquire, hold, manage, and control by purchase, lease, gift, grant, devise, bequest, or otherwise, property of every kind and description, real, personal, or mixed, to be used for the religious, educational, and charitable purposes;
- (H). To hold, manage, control, and use such property and the proceeds and income thereof, and deal with or dispose of any or all such property by sale, exchange, or gift when necessary or expedient to carry out the objects and purposes of the corporation
- (I). To have, receive, maintain, and administer, endowments, legacies, and such other general or trust funds as may be expedient for the operation of said corporation and the accomplishment of its purposes, provided that all said property shall be acquired, dealt with or disposed of in a manner not in conflict with the laws of the State of Florida or the laws of any country in which said property is located;
- (J) All of the foregoing purposes and powers shall be exercised exclusively for charitable and educational purposes in such manner that the Corporation shall qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as it is currently and shall thereafter be in force and effect.

#### ARTICLE VI — OFFICER LIABILITY

An Officer of the corporation shall not be personally liable, and thereby indemnified, for any monetary damages as such for any action taken, or any failure to take action when acting on behalf of the corporation. The organization may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, including all appeals (other than an action by or in the right of the organization) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a, officer, employee, or agent of the organization, against expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the action, suit, or proceeding; and if that person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the organization

and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

The termination of any action, suit, or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or on a plea of *nolo contendere* or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner that he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the organization and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

#### ARTICLE VII- DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of, or provision of payment of, all debts and liabilities of the Corporation, shall be used exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, or to such organization of organizations which are organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes and which shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Container Housing Systems Corporation (Board of Directors) and membership shall determine its property and net assets shall be distributed and disbursed for purposes and objects set forth in these Articles of Incorporation to any exempt organization or organizations selected by the directors which are qualified as exempt and or under the provisions of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Code.

#### ARTICLE VIII ~ AMENDMENTS

The organization reserves the right to alter, amend, change or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statue. These Articles may be amended at any annual meeting of the members or any special meeting thereof if notice thereof is contained in the notice of such special meeting, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members entitled to vote thereat, or by the Board of Directors, at any regular /meeting of the Board of Directors, or at any special meeting of the Board of Directors, if notice thereof is contained in the notice of such special meeting.

#### ARTICLE IX—BYLAWS

Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation shall be set forth in the Bylaws, which are subject to the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation. The authority to make Bylaws for the corporation is hereby vested in the Board of Directors and they may change and amend such Bylaws so long as they do not conflict with the provisions of these Articles.

#### ARTICLE X— MEMBERS

This corporation shall have one or more classes of members, as set forth in the Bylaws.

# ARTICLE XI INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

List name(s), address(es) and specific title(s):

Title PRES
PETERSON, DEBRA
1511 SE 23RD AVENUE
Suite 1A
POMPANO BEACH, FL 33062-0000

Title VP DASSAN, SIMS 1511 SE 23RD AVENUE Suite 1A POMPANO BEACH, FL 33062-0000

Title SECR WILDER, NORGIE 525 AUGUSTINE ST ROCHESTER, NY 14613

Title TREA MCCRARY, LEANNE 9455 103RD ST #1727 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32210

ARTICLE XII— INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

DEBRA PETERSON 1511 SE 23RD AVENUE Suite 1A POMPANO BEACH, FL 33062-0000

ARTICLE XIII- INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

# DEBRA PETERSON 1511 SE 23RD AVENUE Suite 1A POMPANO BEACH, FL 33062-0000

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 and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Debra Peterson

Signature/Incorporator

<u>Debra Peterson</u> Signature/Registered Agent Date 01/25/2021

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The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval.

There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment(s). The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the board of directors.
Signature  (By the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer-if directors have not been selected, by an incorporator – if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary by that fiduciary)
DEBRA PETERSON
(Typed or printed name of person signing)
CEO & FOUNDER

(Title of person signing)