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nclosed is an original a	and one (1) copy of the Arti	cles of Incorporation and	a check for:
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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF HOPE VILLAGE COMMUNITY, INC.

A Corporation Not-for-Profit)

The undersigned natural persons of a legal age, acting as incorporators for the purpose of creating a corporation not-for-profit under the laws of the State of Florida as provided in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### ARTICLE I Name and Address

The name and address of this corporation shall be: Hope Village Community, Inc., 2795 South Street, Leesburg, Florida 34748.

ARTICLE II <u>Duration</u> The corporation shall have perpetual existence.	£.	17 AUG 2	
ARTICLE III  Purpose	67 7. 1 1. 1 1. 1 1. 1	5 BR 43	

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. These purposes are:

- (a) To transact any and all lawful business for which nonprofit corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida, to the extent that such business may be conducted by organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future federal revenue Law, hereinafter referred to as the "Code."
- (b) To do everything necessary, proper, advisable and convenient for the accomplishment of the purposes set forth herein, and to do all other things incidental thereto or connected therewith which are not forbidden by the laws of the State of Florida or by these Articles of Incorporation.
- (c) To provide for the relief of the poor and the distressed and the underprivileged, the promotion of social welfare and the lessening of the burdens of government by fostering the availability of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing for persons of low and moderate income through the Corporation's participation, directly and indirectly, in the creating, providing, operating and management of such housing.
- (d) To acquire land and interests in land; to retain and covey interests in such land so as to provide access to land and decent and affordable housing for persons of low and moderate income and to preserve the affordability of such housing in perpetuity; to retain for the community any unearned increment in the market value of such land; and to combat community deterioration in economically disadvantaged neighborhoods by

promoting the development, rehabilitation and maintenance of decent and affordable housing in these neighborhoods, by promoting economic opportunities for low and moderate income residents of these neighborhoods by making land available for projects and activities that improve the quality of life in these neighborhoods and by assisting residents of these neighborhoods in improving the safety and well-being of their community.

- (e) To acquire by purchase, gift, devise, bequeath, lease or otherwise to own, hold, use, maintain, improve, operate, sell, lease and otherwise dispose of real and personal property and to do everything necessary and proper to conduct for such purposes, including the power to borrow funds, to mortgage, and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue bonds, debentures and promissory notes.
- (f) To accept gifts and money, securities and personal and real property from any firm, person, corporation, trust, association, organization or agency, of any kind and nature, public governmental or private, to invest and reinvest the funds of the Corporation, to borrow money and issue evidences of indebtedness therefore, and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge or otherwise.
- In general, to perform and do, either directly or indirectly and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with other persons and organizations of every kind and nature all acts and things incidental to or in furtherance of the accomplishment of the purposes of the Corporation, and to use and exercise all powers and rights conferred from time to time by the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE IV Powers

This corporation shall have all the powers granted by law to not-for-profit corporations subject to the following limitations and restrictions:

- No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be (a) distributable to its members, directors, 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 purpose set forth in Article III hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Feral Income Tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- (b) No member, director, officer, or private individual, shall be entitled to share in the

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distribution of any corporate assets upon dissolution of the corporation. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making the provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of the residual assets of the corporation to one or more organizations which themselves qualify as exempt organization described in Section 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or to a Federal, State, or local government for exclusive public purpose, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

(c) The corporation shall not engage in any prohibited activity defined in the Florida Statue Section 617.0835, or as subsequently amended.

#### ARTICLE V Membership

The corporation shall have no capital stock, and shall be composed of Members rather than stockholders. The membership of the corporation shall consist of the individuals consisting of the Board of Directors hereinafter provided, and their successors in office.

#### ARTICLE VI Incorporator

The name and address of the original subscriber is: Dannie L. Williams, 2795 South Street, Leesburg, Florida 34748.

#### ARTICLE VII Officers

The officers of the corporation shall consist of a President, Secretary, and a Treasurer and such other officers and assistant officers as the Board of Directors shall provide for in the Bylaws of the corporation. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. Vacancies shall be filled by the Board of Directors at any regular or specially called meeting. The names of the first officers who shall manage the affairs of the corporation until their successors are elected or appointed and are duly qualified are:

President: Dannie L. Williams Secretary: James Presley Treasurer: Anita Dorn

## **ARTICLE VIII**Board of Directors

Control of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors consisting of not less than three (3) Directors, who shall be elected on an annual basis, but the term of the office of any member of the Board of Directors may be for a period of more than one (1) year in the Bylaws. The number of Directors may be increased or decreased, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of

Directors, but shall never be less than three (3) Directors. The initial Board of Directors shall be composed of three (3) Directors. The Board of Directors shall be elected by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by a two thirds (2/3) vote of the remaining members of the Board. Any members of the Board of Directors elected by the Board of Directors to fill a vacancy shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors. Each member of the Board of Directors need not to be a member of the corporation as a condition precedent to election or appointment to the Board. The board of Directors may be organized into one(1) or more separate categories of Directors as provided by the Bylaws. The names and addresses of the first members of the Board of Directors who shall serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified are:

<u>Name</u>	Address		
Dannie L. Williams	2795 South Street Leesburg, Florida 34748		
Anita Dorn	2795 South Street Leesburg, Florida 34748		
James Presley	2795 South Street Leesburg, Florida 34748		

## ARTICLE IX Officers

To the extent permitted by law, any action required to be taken at any annual or special meeting of the Board of Directors, or any action that may be taken at any annual or special meeting of such Board, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the Directors.

## ARTICLE X Amendment of Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation

The Bylaws of Articles of Incorporation may be amended or replaced by the Board of Directors by an eighty percent (80%) vote at any regular or specialty meeting of the Board of Directors. All proposed Amendments shall be submitted to each member of the Board of Directors at least ten (10) days to the meeting.

## ARTICLE XI Registered Office and Agent

The registered office of the corporation shall be 2795 South Street, Leesburg, Florida 34748.

The registered agent shall be Dannie L. Williams.

The registered office and registered agent provided for herein may be changed from time to time in the manner provided by law.

IN WITNESS WHEROF, the undersigned, being the incorporator certifies to the truth of the facts herein stated,

Dannie L. Williams

#### **ACCEPTANCE**

I hereby accept	appointment	as Registered	agent Hope	Village Cor	nmunity, In	C
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Dated: 8/18/17

Dannie L. Williams

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