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COVER LETTER

Department of State **Division of Corporations** P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: EPEC <u>EDUCATION</u> INITATIVE NC. (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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 OF EPEC Education Initiative, INC.

The undersigned associate for the purpose of becoming a **not for profit corporation** under Chapter 617. laws of the State of Florida, providing for the formation, liability, rights, privileges and immunities of a not for profit corporation.

ARTICLE I

<u>NAME</u>

The name of the not for profit corporation shall be EPEC EDUCATION INITIATIVE, INC

ARTICLE II

PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The address of the initial principal place of business shall be: 8411 Southside Blvd, Suite 100 Jacksonville, FL 32256

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ARTICLE III

<u>PURPOSE</u>

This not for profit is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1996 or the successor provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. The purposes of the organization shall be to provide educational support to students, parents, teachers and educational institutions.

We will achieve these objectives through mentoring, hands-on training and partnership with community organizations and businesses to provide access to alternative educational programs and vocational experiences.

To the end that the forgoing objectives and purposes and any related charitable and educational purposes may be carried out, performed and accomplished, this corporation shall have the power to engage only in such activities as shall not constitute business related to its charitable and educational purposes. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1996 or the successor provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. Subject to the foregoing limitations, this corporation shall have all of the rights and powers set forth in Section 617.0302, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE IV

MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The method or manner of the election of the Board of Directors shall be stated in the corporate by-laws.

ARTICLE V

INITIAL REGISTERED_AGENT

The name and address of the initial registered agent for this corporation is

PowerHouse Anchor Management Consulting, Inc.

3577 Cardinal Point Drive Jacksonville, FL 32257

ARTICLE VI

INCORPORATOR

The initial incorporator of the corporation is

Grace Huxtable-Mount

8411 Southside Blvd, Suite 100 Jacksonville, FL 32256

ARTICLE VII

DURATION

This corporation shall exist perpetually. Corporate existence shall commence on the date these Articles are filed.

ARTICLE VIII

DISTRIBUTION

No part of the net earnings of the nonprofit shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the nonprofit 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 thereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the nonprofit 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 this document, the organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a nonprofit organization exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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.

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, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

ARTICLE X

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INITIAL DIRECTORS/ OFFICERS

Grace Huxtable-Mount (President)

8411 Southside Blvd, Suite 100 Jacksonville, FL 32256

Arthur Jenkins - (V. President)

8411 Southside Blvd, Suite 100 Jacksonville, FL 32256

Jason Mount (SECRETARY)

8411 Southside Blvd, Suite 100 Jacksonville, FL 32256

Sonia Thompson (TREASURER)

8411 Southside Blvd, Suite 100 Jacksonville, FL 32256

Jacobie Ricard –Board Member

8411 Southside Blvd. Suite 100 Jacksonville, FL 32256

ARTICLE XI

<u>BY-LAWS</u>

The initial by-laws of this corporation shall be adopted by the directors. By-laws shall be adopted, altered, amended or repealed from time to time by either the member or the board of directors, but the board of directors shall not alter, amend or repeal any by-laws adopted by the members if the members specifically provide that such by-law is not subject to amendment or repeal by the directors.

HAVING BEEN NAMED, as Registered Agent for this Corporation at the Registered officer designated in the forgoing Articles of Incorporation, the undersigned accepts the designation.

June 2018 day of Dated on . Grace Huxtable-Mount, Incorporator

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PowerHouse Anchor Management Consulting. Inc.-- Registered Agent