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

Signs of Ch	nange,Inc.			
SUBJECT:	(PROPOSED CORPOR	RATE NAME – <u>MUST IN</u>	CLUDE SUFFIX)	
Enclosed is an original a	and one (1) copy of the Artic	les of Incorporation and	a check for:	
\$70.00 Filing Fee	☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	□\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	■ \$87.50 Filing Fee. Certified Copy & Certificate	
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FROM:	Jiri Hulor			
Name (Printed or typed) 1511 NW 38th Street				
		Address		
	Gainesville FL 32605	Address	-	

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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SIGNS OF CHANGE, INC.

### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be Signs of Change, Inc.

## ARTICLE II – PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

1511 NW 38th Street, Gainesville, Florida 32605.

#### **ARTICLE III - PURPOSES**

The Corporation is organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, exclusively for educational, scientific, and charitable purposes including:

- (1) to educate citizens about the current carbon-heavy lifestyle;
- (2) to encourage the switch to carbon-light technologies that are already available;
- (3) to support, inspire, energize, and grow the community of citizens living in Gainesville, Florida who enjoy living sustainable, informed, modern lives;
- (4) to provide information and educational communication about the climate crisis, helping citizens make the connection between carbon emissions, the increasingly frequent extreme weather, and economic and personal damage;
- (5) to solicit and receive funds, gifts, or donations to fund activities that further the purpose of the Corporation; and
- (6) to conduct any other charitable activities as provided for under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes and under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (7) The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific 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 the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. No part of the net earnings of the corporation 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 Article Third hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the 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 or in opposition to 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 federal income

tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) 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 IV - MEMBERS**

The Corporation may have one or more classes of members. The designation, terms, and the qualifications of such class or classes of members and the rights of each members of each class shall be provided for in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE V- INITIAL DIRECTORS

The initial directors shall be appointed by the incorporator at the first organizational meeting.

#### **ARTICLE VI – DIRECTORS**

The business, affairs, and all corporate powers of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of no less than three directors, who shall be elected and may be removed as provided for in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS

The officers of the Board of Directors shall include a Chair, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, and other officers as may be appointed or elected. All officers shall be appointed or elected pursuant to the methods provided for in the Bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS**

Any amendments of these articles may be adopted by approval of a majority of the Board of Directors.

#### <u>ARTICLE IX – DISSOLUTION</u>

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code or shall be distributed to another corporation qualified as a 501(e)(3) under the Internal Revenue Code for tax exempt purposes or the City of Gainesville, Florida or to Alachua County, Florida, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

# ARTICLE X - NAME AND STREET ADDRESS OF REGISTERED AGENT

Jiri Huler, 1511 NW 38th Street, Gainesville, Florida 32605

## ARTICLE XI - NAME AND STREET ADDRESS OF INCORPORATOR

Jiri Huler, 1511 NW 38th Street, Gainesville, Florida 32605

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

Required Signature of Registered Agent

0/08/2018

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.

Required Signature of Incorporator

<u>/ U8 / 201</u>2 Date