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

Re: Communities of Everglades Disaster Recovery, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation, as well as a check made payable to the Department of State in the following amount:

□ \$70.00 Filing Fee □ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status

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Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

AnnaMarijka Tilleman 3420 Tamiami Trail E Naples, Florida 34112 Telephone: (210) 218-5417 E-mail: cedrvoad@gmail.com

Thank you for your attention to, and assistance with, this matter.

Regards.

AnnaMarijka Tilleman, Incorporator

#### COMMUNITIES OF EVERGLADES DISASTER RECOVERY, INC.

Pursuant to the applicable provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, the undersigned, desiring to form a Florida not for profit corporation, hereby certifies and files the following Articles of Incorporation of Communities of Everglades Disaster Recovery, Inc. (hereinafter the "Corporation"):

## ARTICLE I CORPORATION NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be Communities of Everglades Disaster Recovery, Inc.

## ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS

The street address of the Corporation's initial principal office is:

102 Copeland Avenue N Everglades City, Florida 34139

## ARTICLE III MAILING ADDRESS

The Corporation's mailing address is:

102 Copeland Avenue N P.O. Box 189 Everglades City, Florida 34139

## ARTICLE IV REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE

The street address of the Corporation's initial registered office and the name of the Corporation's initial registered agent at that address is:

Tammie Pernas 102 Copeland Avenue N Everglades City. Florida 34139

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.

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## ARTICLE V DURATION AND MEMBERSHIP

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence. The qualification for members, if any, and the manner of their admission shall be stated in the Corporation's Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VI DIRECTORS

The number of Directors and the method of election of Directors shall be stated in the Corporation's Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

AnnaMarijka Tilleman 3420 Tamiami Trail E Naples, Florida 34112

## ARTICLE VIII CORPORATE PURPOSES

The purposes for which this Corporation is formed are exclusively charitable and educational and consist of the following:

- 1. This Corporation is formed exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 2. To establish and maintain a network within and on behalf of the faith communities and secular agencies, which will provide a coordinated response to the residents of the Greater Everglades Communities (Chokoloskee, Copeland, Everglades City, Plantation etc.); and, in general, to exercise any and all powers which a not for profit corporation organized under the laws of Florida for the foregoing purposes can be authorized to exercise.
- 3. To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for

charitable, religious, scientific or educational purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

- 4. To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering or attaining 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 bureaus, departments or agencies.
- 5. All of the foregoing purposes shall be exercised exclusively in a charitable and educational manner, such that the Corporation qualifies as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE IX 501(c)(3) LIMITATIONS

- 1. <u>CORPORATE PURPOSES</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, this 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.
- 2. <u>EXCLUSIVITY</u>. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.
- 3. NO PRIVATE INUREMENT. The Corporation is not organized nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. The property, assets, profits, and net income of the Corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes, no part of which shall inure to the benefit of any private person or individual. The Corporation shall not distribute any gains, profits, or dividends to the Directors, Officers, members or trustees thereof, or to any other private persons or individuals, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered in carrying out, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of, the purposes set forth in these Articles of Incorporation.
- 4. <u>LOBBYING AND POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS</u>. 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.

5. <u>DISSOLUTION</u>. Upon winding up and dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of all debts and liabilities shall be distributed to an organization recognized as exempt within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the 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. 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. If the Corporation holds any assets in trust, such assets shall be disposed of in such a manner as may be directed by decree of a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, upon petition thereof by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.

### ARTICLE X AMENDMENT

The method for amending these Articles of Incorporation shall be stated? Corporation's Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE XI EFFECTIVE DATE

The Effective Date of these Articles of Incorporation shall be the date of filing with Department of State.

These Articles of Incorporation are hereby executed by the incorporator on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_. 2019.

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.

Anna Marijka Tileman, Incorporator