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February 27, 2019

Secretary of State of Florida Corporations Division Clifton Building 2661 Executive Center Circle Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: James Lee Coon, Jr. Memorial Foundation, Inc. (A Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation)

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed for filing are the Articles of Incorporation for the above new Florida nonprofit corporation. Also enclosed is our law firm \$87.50 check for the required filing fee, registered agent designation, certified copy and certificate of status. After the articles have been filed, will you please send me a certified copy in the enclosed stamped, self-addressed envelope?

Thank you very much, and please call me at 904-387-5400 if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Douglas J. Milne

cc:

Sharon W. Coon swcoon@comcast.net

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Articles of Incorporation JAMES LEE COON JR. MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, INC. a Florida Not For Profit Corporation

The undersigned person, acting as incorporator of a corporation not for profit under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for the corporation.

ARTICLE I

<u>Name</u>

The name of the corporation is James Lee Coon Jr. Memorial Foundation, Inc.

ARTICLE II

<u>Term</u>

The corporation shall have perpetual duration.

ARTICLE III

Duration

The corporation is a not for profit corporation. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are to operate generally f or the advancement of learning and educational achievement opportunities for students of all races and cultures, and other charitable purposed permitted under the laws of Florida and he United State; and, more specifically, to honor the memory of James Lee Coon, Jr. (1975-1995) who established the Duval County (Florida) African American History Brain Brawl, by continuing and implementing this academic history and educational competition. See Exhibit "A". It is a motivational force in transmitting skills, and culture. The competition helps prepare students hurdle the obstacles in life and inspire them to be their best. The competition give great boost to self-awareness, respect, honesty, confidence, and to student academic proficiency.

Anything in these articles of incorporation to the contrary notwithstanding, the purposes for which this corporation is organized are limited to those that will qualify it as an exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code § 501(c)(3), including for those purposes, the making of distribution to organizations that qualify as tax statutes and organizations under the Internal Revenue Code.

This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation. This corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidates for public office.

No part of the net earnings, properties or assets of this corporation, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of any private person or individual or any member or director of this corporation. On the liquidation or dissolution all properties and assets of this corporation remaining after paying or providing for all debts and obligations shall be distributed and paid over into a fund, foundation or corporation organized and operated for charitable or religion purposes designated by the board of directors, which shall at the time qualify as a tax-exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code § 501(c)(3), or as that statute may be amended.

ARTICLE IV

Members.

The directors of the corporation shall also be its members.

ARTICLE V

Address.

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 101 W. 27th Street, Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida 32206. The name of the initial registered agent is the undersigned, Douglas J. Milne.

ARTICLE VI

Powers.

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its property controlled, and its affairs conducted by its board of directors. The number of directors of the corporation shall not be less than three.

The directors shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all the members of the board individually or collectively consent in writing to the action. Written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board, and any action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law that relates to actions taken in this manner shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the board of directors without a meeting and that the articles of incorporation of this corporation authorize the directors to act in this manner. The statements shall be prima facie evidence of the directors' authority.

The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors are:

Sharon W. Coon 101 W, 27th Street, Jax, FL 32206

Pauline Drake 501 W. Adams Street Suite 7169, Jax, FL 32201

Albert Lee Buckner, III 114 East Union Street, Jax. FL 32206

Frances McWilliams Buckner 1114 East Union Street, Jax, FL 32206

Jeanette Ali 3416 Mecca Street, Jax. FL 32209

Glendia Cooper 91 James Road, Louisville, MS 39339

Samuel Newby 220 Riverside Ace, Unit 404, Jax, FL 32202

ARTICLE VII

Incorporator.

The incorporator of this corporation is Douglas J. Milne, 1912 Hamilton Street, Jacksonville. Florida. Immediately upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation, he shall immediately assign any and all interest he has in the corporation, as incorporator or otherwise, to the corporation. Thereupon, the corporation and all its activities will be under the direct control and custody of its board of directors.

ARTICLE VIII

Officers.

The board of directors shall elect the following officers: president, one or more vice presidents, treasurer, and secretary, as well as any other officers which the bylaws of this corporation authorize the directors to elect. The officers shall hold office until their successors are selected and qualified. An officer does not necessarily have to be a director of the corporation.

The initial officers of the corporation are:

| Name | | Address |
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| Chairman: | Sharon W. Coon | 101 West 27th Street, Jax. FL 32206 |
| President: | Samuel Newby | 220 Riverside Ave, Unit 404, Jax, FL 32202 |
| Secretary: | Albert Lee Buckner | 1114 East Union Street, Jax, FL 32206 |

Treasuer: Jeanette Ali 3416 Mecca Street, Jax, FL 32209

ARTICLE IX

Bv-Laws.

Subject to the limitations contained in the by-laws and any limitations set forth in the Not For Profit Corporation Act of Florida described above, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members of the corporation, the by-laws of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new by-laws may be adopted, either by resolution of the board of directors, or following procedures otherwise set forth in the bylaws.

ARTICLE X

Property.

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member, or to the benefit of any prior individual.

ARTICLE XI

Dissolution: Winding Up.

On the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed to a not for profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

ARTICLE XII

Amendments.

Amendments to these articles of incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the board of directors. Amendments may be adopted by vote of the majority of the directors.

ARTICLE XIII

Effective Date

The effective date of the Corporation is the date the Articles of Incorporation are received by the Division of Corporations.

The undersigned, being the incorporator of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this not for profit charitable corporation under the Laws of Florida is executing these articles of incorporation on February 27. 2019. He also agrees to serve as resident agent, and acknowledges that he is aware of the duties thereof.

Douglas J. Milne Incorporator

State of Florida County of Duval

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Douglas J. Milne, who acknowledged to me that (a) he is a personal friend and admirer of Sharon Coon, mother of James L. Coon, Jr., who died in 1975, at age 20; that he executed these Articles for the purpose of officially creating this organization as a not-for-profit Florida corporation, in memory of James Lee Coon, Jr., whose loves included music, education, and care for fellow man; and (c) for these reasons, this corporation is being formed.

Jacksonville, Florida February 24, 2019.

Notary Public
State of Florida – at – large

