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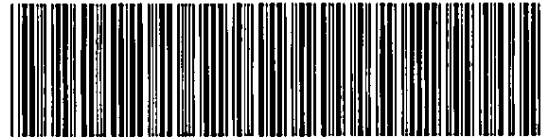
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MARIA FREEMAN  
PO BOX 14303  
FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33302

SUBJECT: 3RD STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC  
Ref. Number: W20000001601

We have received your document for 3RD STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of a voluntarily dissolved business entity. The name of a voluntarily dissolved business entity is not available for the assumption or use by another entity until 120 days after the effective date of dissolution unless the dissolved business entity provides the Department of State with an affidavit or letter, stating that they have no intention of revoking the dissolution, therefore, releasing the name for use to another entity.

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January 20, 2020

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Division of Corporations  
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Subject: 3<sup>RD</sup> STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC  
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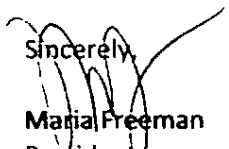
Please let this letter serve as notice that we have no intention of revoking the dissolution for 3<sup>RD</sup> STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC and therefore, release the name for use for the corporate filing of the above mentioned referenced number.

Attached also find a copy of the letter sent when we originally asked for the dissolution of 3<sup>RD</sup> STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC as a for-profit corporation and requested that a non-profit for the same name (3<sup>RD</sup> STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC) be filed simultaneously!! Both corporate filings and fees were sent in the same envelope.

We are requesting that the new non-profit filing date reflect the same date or next day date as the Articles of Dissolution of 3<sup>RD</sup> STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC filed on December 10, 2019 (Letter number: 919A00026257).

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 954-462-4599. Your prompt attention is appreciated in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Maria Freeman  
President

3400-A NW 9 AVE (POWERLINE RD)  
OAKLAND PARK, FL 33309  
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Division of Corporations

Subject: 3<sup>rd</sup> Step Recovery Group, Inc. Current Doc#:P10000003648

Dissolve for Profit Corporation and simultaneously file new non-profit corporation

To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that we want to dissolve the current for-profit corporation referenced above and simultaneously (immediately, thereafter) file a new non-profit corporation with the same name. It is our intent to cease as a for profit corporation and become a non-profit corporation.

We have enclosed a Dissolution of Corporation request form with fee and also a new Non-Profit Articles of Incorporation filing with fee.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 954-534-2220.

Sincerely,

Maria Freeman

President

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**FOR**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC**  
**(A Florida Not For Profit Corporation)**

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IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BROWARD  
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The undersigned persons, acting as Incorporators of a corporation not for profit under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of incorporation for such corporation.

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation: 3<sup>RD</sup> STEP RECOVERY GROUP, INC (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation").

**ARTICLE II**

The initial principal place of business of the Corporation is 3400 NW 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite A, Oakland Park, FL 33309. The mailing address is PO Box 14303, Ft Lauderdale, FL 33302.

**ARTICLE III**

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and social purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code or corresponding section of any future tax codes. 3rd Step Recovery Group, Inc will provide comprehensive primary and behavioral health services of the highest possible quality to the underserved population of Broward County, Florida. This will be accomplished utilizing the management and operation of an integrated health care system and the implementation of programs which promote the general health of the community.

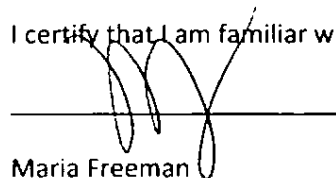
**ARTICLE IV**

The manner in which the Directors are elected or appointed as set forth in the Bylaws.

**ARTICLE V**

The name and the Florida street address of the Registered Agent is Maria Freeman whose address is 5079 N. Dixie Hwy, #323, Oakland Park, FL 33334.

I certify that I am familiar with and accept the responsibilities of Registered Agent.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Maria Freeman

#### **ARTICLE VI**

The name and address of the incorporator is Maria Freeman whose address is 5079 N. Dixie Hwy, #323, Oakland Park, FL 33334.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

The term for which this Corporation shall exist shall be perpetual.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

The Corporate powers of this Corporation are as provided in Section 617.0302, Florida Statutes.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

The powers of this Corporation shall be exercised, its property controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors. The number of Directors of the Corporation shall not be less than three: provided however, that such number may be increased from a minimum of three by changing the bylaw duly adopted pursuant to the Bylaws of this Corporation. The Directors named herein as the first Board of Directors shall hold office until the first election of Directors at the Corporation's first annual meeting of members. Directors elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for term of one year until the annual meeting of members following the election of Directors and until the qualification of successors in office. Annual meetings shall be held at the time and place designated by the Board of Directors. 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 shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents 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 action so taken 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 and Bylaws of this Corporation authorize the Directors to so act. Such statements shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The name and addresses of the persons who are to serve as initial Officers and/or Directors of the Corporation are:

Maria Freeman, President	5079 N Dixie Hwy, #323, Oakland Park, FL 33334
Barbara Gibson, Vice President/Treasurer	3400 NW 9 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite A, Oakland Park, FL 33309
Chenara Anderson, Secretary	3400 NW 9 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite A, Oakland Park, FL 33309

#### **ARTICLE X**

Subject to the limitations contained in the Bylaws 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 Bylaws of this Corporation may be made, altered,

rescinded, added to, or new Bylaws may be adopted, either by resolution of the Board of Directors or by the following procedures set forth in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE XI

No part of the net earnings or assets of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, director, or officer of the Corporation, or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation), and no member, trustee, officer of the Corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Corporation.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on other activities not permitted to be carried on by a Corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax, under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provisions of any subsequent or future United States Internal Revenue law.

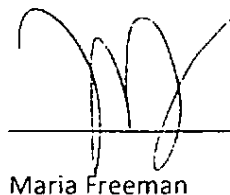
#### ARTICLE XII

Upon the dissolution 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 organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

#### ARTICLE XIII

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors and presented to the members for their vote at a time and place determined by the Board of Directors, upon sixty (60) days written notice to the members, setting forth the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be effected. Amendments may be adopted by a vote of the majority of members present.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 5th Day of December, 2019.



Maria Freeman