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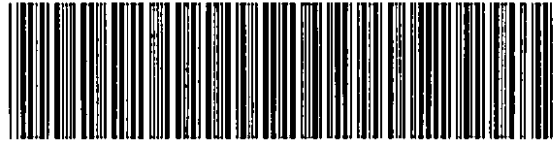
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TO: Amendment Section  
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NAME OF CORPORATION: THE EMPOWERMENT CENTER OF THE GLADES INC

DOCUMENT NUMBER: N20000002181

The enclosed *Articles of Amendment* and fee are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

JARED E. HINES

(Name of Contact Person)

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**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT**  
to  
**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
for  
**THE EMPOWERMENT CENTER OF THE GLADES, INC.**  
(Florida Non-Profit Corporation)  
Document Number: N20000002181

**STATE OF FLORIDA**

THE UNDERSIGNED, each with the capacity to contract, hereby submits, executes and acknowledges, these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a corporation in compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not For Profit).

**ARTICLE 3. PURPOSE**

Said organization is organized, exclusively for charitable, religious, 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**ARTICLE 4. MANNER OF ELECTION**

Election of Board members shall occur at each annual meeting of the Board of Directors. The terms of directors shall be staggered. Initial Board members shall serve staggered terms of [one and two years, or one, two, and three years]. Thereafter, Board members shall serve two-year terms with approximately one-third of the Directors elected at each annual meeting. Each director shall hold office until the annual meeting when his/her term expires and until his/her successor has been elected and qualified.

**ARTICLE 8. BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors shall manage the activities and affairs of the Corporation. The number of directors, which shall constitute the whole board, shall be from time to time fixed by or in the manner provided in the Bylaws, but in no case shall the number be less than three. The Bylaws of the corporation shall have and may exercise all the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the activities and affairs of the Corporation. However, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized to make, alter, or repeal the Bylaws of this corporation. The Corporation may in its Bylaws confer power upon its Board of Directors.

Directors of the Corporation shall not be liable to either the corporation or its members for monetary damages for a breach of fiduciary duties. No member of the Board of Directors can be sued individually for monetary damage as a result of the corporation's business.

**ARTICLE 9. MEETING**

Meeting of members may be held outside of the State of Florida, if the Bylaws so provide. The books of the Corporation may be kept (subject to any provisions contained in the statutes) outside of the State of Florida at such places as may be from time to time designated by the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE 10. BY LAWS**

The first Bylaws of the Corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be amended, altered or rescinded by the Board of Directors in the manner provided by such Bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE 11. NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

This corporation is a non-profit corporation. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, 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 4. 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 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 Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, or (b) by a Corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Laws.

#### **ARTICLE 12. DISSOLUTION**

Upon 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 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 disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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.

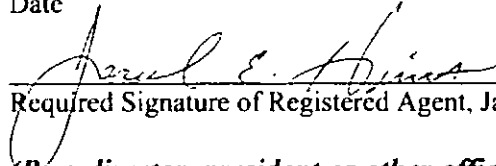
#### **ARTICLE 13. AMENDMENTS**

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provisions contained in this certificate of incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by the statute, and all rights conferred upon members herein are granted subject to their reservations.

***The amendments were adopted by the board of directors without members action and members action was not required.***

25-MAR-2021

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Date

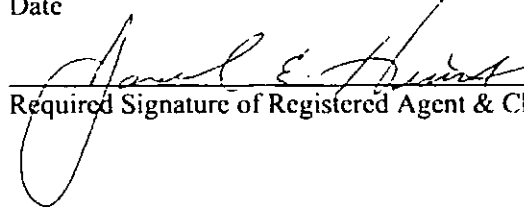


Required Signature of Registered Agent, Jared Hines

***(By a director, president or other officer – if directors or officers have not been selected, by an incorporator – if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary by that fiduciary).***

25-MAR-2021

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Date



Required Signature of Registered Agent & Chief Executive Officer