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SUBJECT: The Mount Zion Community Development Corporation, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – <u>MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX</u>)

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

THE MOUNT ZION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, INC.

ARTICLE I - LOCATION

The name of this corporation is: The Mount Zion Community Development Corporation, which shall be located at 549 North Palmetto Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043.

ARTICLE II - PERIOD OF EXISTENCE

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

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE AND NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Mount Zion Community Development Corporation, Inc., is organized for charitable, financial literacy, literary, technical, scientific, and educational purposes to enhance the community well-being for families, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any federal code.

The general nature of business operations to be transacted by said corporation shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. To raise the economic, education, social, technical and communal levels of the residents, including at-risk youths and their families of Green Cove Springs community in Clay County, Florida;
- B. To foster, support and engage in activities relative to socio-economic development, progress and ideals including any and all activities which are lawful and appropriate in accordance with the laws of the United States of America, its territories, districts, and possessions, and any activity permitted under the laws of the State of Florida, and to have, exercise, and enjoy the powers and privileges granted to corporations not-for-profit pursuant to Florida Statutes;
- C. To provide either directly or by accepting donations, gifts, grants, contributions, guarantees, scholarships or fellowships, or subsidies to program participants and scholarship applicants according to the purposes for which HOPE² Education Foundation, Inc. is organized;
- D. To do all and everything necessary, suitable, useful, or proper, for the furtherance and accomplishment of any of the forgoing purposes of the attainment of any of the objectives, or for the furtherance of the powers herein set forth, either alone or in association with other corporations, firms, or individuals, and to do every other act or acts, thing or things, incidental or appurtenant to or growing out of or connected with the aforesaid business of powers, or any part thereof; provided that the same be not inconsistent with the laws under which this corporation is organized.

ARTICLE IV - CHARITABLE DISPOSITION

All the purposes carried out by this corporation not-for-profit. 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 person(s), except that the corporation not-for-profit authorized or empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose article or clause herein. 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 not-for-profit 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 this document, the corporation-not-for-profit shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by any organization or corporation not-for-profit exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) defined by the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE V - MEMBERS

Members shall qualify for admission, and shall be admitted as members, in accordance with the bylaws of this corporation not-for-profit. A two-third vote of the membership shall be required for the election of new directors or the removal of current directors. Annually during the month of December, or as provided by the bylaws of this corporation not-for-profit, the membership shall elect officers from among nominees approved by an Executive Committee of the Board. Elected officers are those members receiving the highest number of votes as there are vacancies according to the bylaws.

ARTICLE VI - DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have as directors those person designated according to the bylaws of The Mount Zion Community Development Corporation, Inc. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time according to the bylaws, but shall never be less than five (5), nor more than nine (9). The original directors of this corporation shall be:

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE
James Pernell, Sr.	1170 East 17th Street	Jacksonville, FL 32206
Dr. Denise Armstrong	1817 Denmark Dr.	Fleming Island, 32003
Cheryl King	7539 Mishkie Dr.	Jacksonville, Fl 32244
Domonique Jackson	3045 Russell Road	Green Cove Springs, Fl 32043
Cheryl Gonzalez	2151 Bartram Road	Jacksonville, FL 32207

The names, titles, and addresses of the officers who are to conduct the business of this corporation until those elected at the first election are as follows:

NAME	TITLE	ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE
James Pernell, Sr.	President/CEO	1170 East 17th Street	Jacksonville, FL 32206
Dr. Denise Armstrong	Treasurer	1817 Denmark Dr.	Fleming Island, 32003
Cheryl King	Vice President	7539 Mishkie Dr.	Jacksonville, Fl 32244
Domonique Jackson	Secretary	3045 Russell Road	Green Cove Springs, F1 32043
Cheryl Gonzalez	Parliamentarian	2151 Bartram Road	Jacksonville, FL 32207

ARTICLE VIII - DISSOLUTION OF ASSETS

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, 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 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 the 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 organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IX - REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the Registered Agent is: James Pernell, Sr. 1170 East 17th Street Jacksonville, FL 32206

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Original Articles of Incorporation this 25 day of [2020.

Reverend James Pernell, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA)

) as:
COUNTY OF CLAY)

BEFORE ME, a notary public authorized to take acknowledgement in the State and County set forth above, personally appeared: **Reverend James Pernell, Sr.**, known to me and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed these Articles of Incorporation.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this (a) day of (a). 2020, by Reverend James Pernell, Sr., who is personally known to me or who has produced:			
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MOUNT ZION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, INC.

February 2020