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

October 30, 2020

Re: The Justice Project of South Florida, 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:

X \$70.00 Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status

☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy (Additional copy required)

\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate of Status (Additional copy required)

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

William T. Jackson 212 N.W. 14th Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311 E-mail: <u>wjack008@fiu.edu</u>

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

Regards,

William T. Jackson, Incorporator

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

THE JUSTICE PROJECT OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.,

(A Florida Not For Profit Corporation)

Pursuant to the applicable provisions of Chapter 617, of the Florida Statutes, the undersigned Florida Not for Profit Corporation, **The Justice Project of South Florida, Inc.** (hereinafter the "Corporation"), hereby certifies and files the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I CORPORATION NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be The Justice Project of South Florida, Inc.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS

The Corporation's principal office address shall be:

212 N.W. 14th Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311

ARTICLE III MAILING ADDRESS

The Corporation's mailing address shall be:

212 N.W. 14th Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311

ARTICLE IV REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the registered agent of the Corporation is:

William T. Jackson 212 N.W. 14th Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311

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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.

William T. Jackson October 30, 2020

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

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

William T. Jackson 212 N.W. 14th Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311

ARTICLE VIII CORPORATE PURPOSES

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

- 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 reach its vision, The Justice Project of South Florida aims to reduce the arrests and incarceration of youth; increase cultural competency, racial equity, and social justice;

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as well as promote positive interactions between law enforcement and communities of color.

This nonprofit organization shall provide youth dialogues, restorative justice practices trainings, cultural sensitivity workshops, restorative justice peace circles, and promote undoing/dismantling racism initiatives.

- 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

- CORPORATE PURPOSES. 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.
- EXCLUSIVITY. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.
- 3. <u>NO PRIVATE INUREMENT</u>. The Corporation is not organized nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. The

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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 DEBT OBLIGATIONS AND PERSONAL LIABILITY

No Officer or Director of this Corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this Corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the Officers or Directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this Corporation.

ARTICLE XI INDEMNIFICATION

Indemnification of the Corporation's Officers and Directors shall be set forth in the Corporation's bylaws.

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ARTICLE XII AMENDMENT

The method for amending these Articles of Incorporation shall be set forth in the Corporation's Bylaws.

ARTICLE XIII EFFECTIVE DATE

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

These Articles of Incorporation are hereby executed by the incorporator on this 30th day of October, 2020.

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.

William T. Jackson, Incorporator