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Division of Corporations  
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**SUBJECT:** Center for Equitable Policy, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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FROM: Roxanne Fixsen  
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Daytime Telephone number

Roxanne.Fixsen@Outlook.com  
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E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
CENTER FOR EQUITABLE POLICY, INC.**

I, the undersigned incorporator, hereby make, adopt, subscribe, acknowledge and file with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation ("Articles") for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, Florida Statutes Chapter 617 ("Corporation"):

**Article 1. Name**

The name of the Corporation is as follows: Center for Equitable Policy, Inc.

**Article 2. Address**

The address of the principal office and the mailing address of the Corporation is: 1010 Central Avenue, Unit 326, City of St. Petersburg, County of Pinellas, State of Florida, 33705.

**Articles 3. Initial Registered Office and Agent**

Name and address of the registered agent and office: Roxanne Fixsen, 1010 Central Avenue, Unit 326, City of St. Petersburg, County of Pinellas, State of Florida, 33705.

**Article 4. No Members**

The Corporation shall not have members and shall not issue membership certificates. The Corporation shall not issue shares of stock.

**Article 5. Not For Profit**

The Corporation is a not-for-profit corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit. No part of the income or assets of the Corporation is distributable to or for the benefit of its directors or officers, except to the extent permissible under these Articles, under law and under 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(c)(3). If the Corporation ever has members, no member shall have any vested right, interest or privilege in or to the assets, income or property of the Corporation and no part of the income or assets of the Corporation shall be distributable to or for the benefit of its members, except to the extent permissible under these Articles, under law and under 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(c)(3).

**Article 6. Duration**

The duration (term) of the Corporation is perpetual.

## Article 7. Purposes

A. The Corporation is organized, and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, educational, literary and scientific purposes, and other purposes for which an organization may be organized and operated under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

B. It shall be within the purposes of this Corporation to receive and maintain a fund or funds of real or personal property, or both, and subject to the restrictions and limitations herein set forth, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal thereof exclusively for the active conduct of its charitable or educational purposes directly or through one or more grantee organizations.

## Article 8. Powers

Solely for the above purposes, the Corporation shall have the following powers:

A. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida on non-profit corporations, including but not limited to those set forth in Florida Statutes Chapter 617, and the following powers: to acquire by bequest, devise, gift, grant, donation, contribution, purchase, lease or otherwise any property of any sort or nature without limitation as to its amount or value, and to hold, invest, reinvest, manage, use, apply, employ, sell, expend, disburse, lease, mortgage, convey, option, donate or otherwise dispose of the property and the income, principal and proceeds of the property.

B. To engage in and transact any other lawful activity, solely in furtherance of the above purposes, for which nonprofit corporations may be incorporated under the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, and any successor or amendment to the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act.

C. To do any other things as are incidental to the powers of the Corporation or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish the purposes of the Corporation.

## Article 9. Limitation

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure directly or indirectly to the benefit of or be distributable to its members (if the Corporation ever has any), directors or officers, but 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 7 (Purposes) of these Articles.

## Article 10. Tax Exempt Status

It is intended that the Corporation shall have and continue to have the status of a corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation under 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(a), as an organization described in 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(c)(3) and which is other than a private foundation as defined in 26 U.S.C.A. § 509. These Articles shall be construed accordingly, and all powers and activities of the Corporation shall be limited accordingly. The Corporation shall not carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation to such an extent as would result in the loss of exemption under 26 U.S.C.A. § 501(c)(3). All references in these Articles to sections of the Internal Revenue Code shall be considered references to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as from time to time amended, and to the corresponding provisions of any similar law subsequently enacted.

## Article 11. Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the board of directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes in such manner and to such qualified organization or organizations as the board of directors shall determine, and no director, officer or private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any assets. Any of the assets not so distributed shall be distributed in accordance with the direction of any court having jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for the above purposes of the Corporation or to a qualified organization or organizations as the court shall determine. For purposes of this article, an organization is a "qualified organization" only if, at the time of receiving the assets, it is operated exclusively for the purposes described in 26 U.S.C.A. § 170(c)(1) or 26 U.S.C.A. § 170(c)(2)(B) and is described in 26 U.S.C.A. § 509(a)(1), (2) or (3).

## Article 12. Board of Directors

The affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by a board of directors consisting of at least three individuals who shall be elected as provided in the by-laws, and by officers who shall be elected by the board of directors. The initial directors are elected by the incorporator. After that, each director shall be elected by majority vote of the board of directors in the manner and at the times set forth in the bylaws. Any director may be removed by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the board of directors.

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

Roxanne Fixsen	1010 Central Ave., Unit 326 St. Petersburg, FL 33705
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Beth Cronin	1010 Central Ave., Unit 326 St. Petersburg, FL 33705
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Jennifer Teoli

1010 Central Ave., Unit 326  
St. Petersburg, FL 33705

#### Article 13. Officers

The officers of the Corporation may consist of a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and any other officers and assistant officers as may be provided for in the bylaws or by resolution of the board of directors. Each officer shall be elected by majority vote of the board of directors (and may be removed by majority vote of the board of directors) at such a time and in such a manner as may be prescribed by the bylaws or by law.

#### Article 14. Incorporators

The name and street address of the incorporator is as follows: Roxanne Fixsen, 1010 Central Ave., Unit 326, St. Petersburg, FL 33705.

#### Article 15. Bylaws

The bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the board of directors, and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the board of directors.

#### Article 16. Amendment

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them. These Articles may be amended by resolution adopted by the majority vote of the directors of this Corporation present at any meeting duly called and convened; provided, however, that unless ten days' advance notice of the amendment or amendments to be considered at such meeting shall have been given in writing by mail to each director prior to such meeting, or such notice shall have been waived in writing, these Articles may be amended only by resolution adopted by two-thirds vote of the directors present at such meeting.

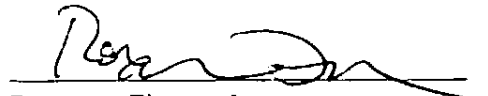
#### Article 17. Indemnification and Civil Liability Immunity

The Corporation shall indemnify each director and officer, including former directors and officers, to the fullest extent allowed by law, including but not limited to Florida Statutes Chapter 617. It is intended that the Corporation be an organization the officers and directors of which are immune from civil liability to the extent provided under Florida Statutes Chapter 617 and other similar laws.

Article 18. Commencement of Corporate Existence

The date when corporate existence shall commence is upon the filing of these Articles with the Department of State of the State of Florida.

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation for the uses and purposes therein expressed on this 8th day of January, 2021.

  
Roxanne Fixsen, Incorporator

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