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SUBJECT: The Urban Chamber of Commerce of Volusia/Flagler Counties, 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: Kennedy Jacobs
Name (Printed or typed)

1655 Palm Drive
Address

Port Orange, Florida 32128
City, State & Zip

(301)741-9413
Daytime Telephone number

kendjay@aol.com
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
THE URBAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VOLUSIA/FLAGLER COUNTIES INC.

ARTICLE I – NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of this corporation shall be **The Urban Chamber of Commerce of Volusia/Flagler Counties, Inc.** (the "Corporation"), and the principal office of the Corporation shall be 1648 Taylor Road VB7000, Port Orange, Florida 32128, Volusia County, or such other location as the Board of Directors from time to time designate. The mailing address of the Corporation shall be the same.

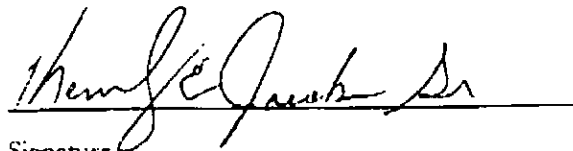
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ARTICLE II - REGISTERED AGENT,
REGISTERED OFFICE, & REGISTERED AGENT'S SIGNATURE

The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent is/are:

Kennedy Jacobs
1655 Palm Drive
Port Orange, Florida 32128

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent as provided for in Chapter 617, F.S..



Signature
Kennedy Jacobs

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ARTICLE III – DURATION

The duration of this Corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE IV – PURPOSE

The Corporation shall be a non-profit organization and formed exclusively to perform activities so as to qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code 2020, or corresponding provisions of any future federal tax code, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations qualifying as tax exemption organizations under that code. Specifically, the Corporation is organized to promote the common business interests of its members and not to engage in regular business activities ordinarily carried on for profit. Specific objectives are:

- A. To act as a leader for the interests of underserved and minority-owned businesses to diversify and improve the economy and quality of life in Volusia, and Flagler Counties of the State of Florida.
- B. To preserve the competitive enterprise system of business by: (i) enhancing the financing and competitive capacity of underserved/minority-owned businesses; (ii) creating a better understanding of the value and importance of minority business owners; (iii) establishing tangible good will with the public and with strategically aligned businesses on behalf of minority-owned businesses; and (iii) consolidating and aligning local, state and national legislative and political affairs affecting members.
- C. To build distinct linkages and partnerships between minority-owned businesses and their constituent communities, so as to promote and support sustainable growth and development of the member businesses and their constituents, and further to establish minority-owned businesses as key ingredients to strengthen and expand the income potential of communities, and to be integral to the civic, social, educational, and cultural future of the same communities.
- D. To educate the public about the contribution of minority businesses to the community.
- E. To disseminate general information and the exchange of knowledge about the operating of minority businesses, including but not limited to the development of new ideas, new perspectives, and new and improved methods of operating minority businesses.

F. To encourage, plan promote and coordinate programs, seminars and workshops for minority businesses as are in the interest of said business, including but not limited to: business planning and management, personnel relations and management, bidding processes and procedures, estimating, licensing, proposal writing, recordkeeping, credit and collection practices and tax reporting.

G. To contract, conduct, promote, participate and provide services related to public relations, mass communications, and associated fields, including, but not limited to radio, television, newspapers, magazines, journals, signs, posters, handbills, commercial advertising, and all other activities necessary, profitable or expedient in carrying out the purpose, business or acts herein.

H. To create, operate and maintain a current skills bank of personnel associated, affiliated, and familiar with business enterprise and related fields within the State of Florida for the purposes of providing a resource of personnel to assist the Corporation with seminars, workshops and all other activities necessary profitable or expedient in carrying out any of the business or acts above-named.

I. To carry on any or all its operations and businesses, and to promote its objectives within the State of Florida or elsewhere, without restrictions as to place or amount, and to have, use, exercise and enjoy all of the general powers of like corporations.

ARTICLE V – LIMITATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, these purposes of the Corporation are limited to those described in Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or any other corresponding provision of any future federal tax code. The Corporation may not engage in any activities, except to an insubstantial degree, that do not further its purposes as set forth in these articles, nor may it take any action that would be inconsistent with the requirements for a tax exemption under Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c)(6) and related regulations, rulings, and procedures.

B. Payments of dues to the Corporation are deductible to a member as an ordinary and necessary business expense in the conduct of the member's business, however are not deductible as charitable contributions. Nor are contributions by non-members. The Corporation must disclose, in any fundraising solicitation, that contributions to the organization are not deductible for federal income tax purposes as charitable contributions.

C. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, 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 to one or more regularly organized and qualified charitable, educational, scientific, or philanthropic organizations to be selected by the Board of Directors.

D. Distribute its assets on dissolution other than for one or more exempt purposes. On dissolution, the Corporation's assets will be distributed to the state government for a public purpose, or to an organization exempt from tax under Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c)(6) to be used to accomplish the general purposes for which the Corporation was organized.

ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP

The Corporation shall have one or more classes of members. The classes of membership shall be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is three (3), and the names and addresses of those people who are to serve as the initial Directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Kennedy Jacobs	1655 Palm Drive Port Orange, Florida 32128
Keith Jacobs	10342 Palermo Circle Apt# 304 Tampa, Florida 33619
Brenda Collins-Williams	1648 Taylor Road VB7000 Port Orane, FL 32128

B. The management and policy-making responsibilities of the Corporation are vested in its Board of Directors and such committees of the Board that the Board may from time to time establish. The Board of Directors shall control the property and finances of the Corporation and direct the affairs of the Corporation. The Board of Directors shall be composed of a minimum of (7) seven and not more than (25) twenty-five members, one-third (1/3) of whom shall be elected annually to serve for two (2) years, or until their successors are elected and have been qualified for service. The Bylaws shall provide for the qualification, manner of selection and election, duties, terms, and other matters relating to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII – OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually in accordance with the Bylaws. The term of office of each, a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Assistant Secretary, a Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Chaplain and a Parliamentarian, or other officers as designated by the Board of Directors shall be for a period of one (1) year.

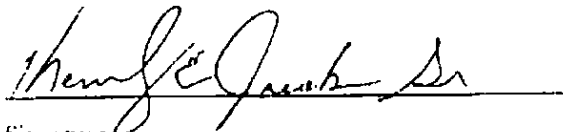
ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

The Articles may be altered, amended, or repealed, and new or restated Articles may be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors. The notice of any meeting at which these Articles are altered, amended, or repealed, or which new or restated Articles are adopted will include the text of the proposed Article provisions as well as the text of an existing provisions proposed to be altered, amended, or repealed. Alternatively, the notice may include a fair summary of those provisions and any changes.

ARTICLE X - EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of the Corporation shall be January 26, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed these Articles of incorporation as an authorized representative of the Company and acknowledge them to be my act this 26th day of January, 2021. In accordance with section 617, Florida Statutes, the execution of this document constitutes an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated herein are true.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kennedy Jacobs", is written over a horizontal line.

Signature
Kennedy Jacobs

Incorporator