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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
CIRCLE OF COMMERCE, INC.**

**(A Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation)**

The undersigned, Edward Haynes, being the President of **CIRCLE OF COMMERCE, INC.**, a Florida not-for-profit corporation (the "**Corporation**"), states that pursuant to the requirements of Sections 617.1007 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, he certifies, attests and serves notice that the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation read as follows:

**ARTICLE 1**

**NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be **CIRCLE OF COMMERCE, INC.** (the "**Corporation**").

**ARTICLE 2**

**PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS**

The address of the principal office is 7900 N.W. 27 Avenue, Suite E229, Miami, FL 33147 and the mailing address of the Corporation is 7121 Alhambra Blvd., Miramar, FL 33023.

**ARTICLE 3**

**PURPOSE**

This Corporation is a not-for-profit corporation, organized and to be operated exclusively for charitable purposes, within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"), and not for pecuniary profit. More specifically, the Corporation is organized and shall be operated to carry out the following purposes:

- (a) To provide academic, employment, investing and career development support to enable low wealth and moderate income individuals or those individuals who have been marginalized to enter various professional fields;
- (b) To support capacity building for leadership and management training in furtherance of the development of highly trained personnel;
- (c) To provide training in areas such as administration and supplier diversity, executive protection, uniformed security, personnel and professional development, technology, funding challenges and equipment, investment and liability; and

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- (d) To carry on such other activities in furtherance of the foregoing purposes as are lawful and proper for corporations formed under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act and are exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

#### **ARTICLE 4**

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The Corporation shall have no members.

#### **ARTICLE 5**

#### **INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is 7121 Alhambra Blvd., Miramar, FL 33023, and the name of the Corporation's initial registered agent at that address is Edward Haynes.

#### **ARTICLE 6**

#### **INITIAL OFFICERS AND/OR DIRECTORS**

The affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors (individually a "Director"). The number of Directors shall initially be ten (10). The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time as set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation, but shall never be less than three nor greater than nine. The manner of election of members of the Board of Directors shall be as set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation. The names and addresses of the persons who shall serve as the initial members of the Board of Directors and officers of the Corporation are as follows:

Edward Haynes, Director and President  
7121 Alhambra Blvd.  
Miramar, FL 33023

Adriene Haynes, Director and Vice President  
7121 Alhambra Blvd.  
Miramar, FL 33023

Dr. Candyce Haynes-Forrester, Director  
4996 Salerno St.  
Ave Maria, FL 34142

Marlon Forrester, Director  
4996 Salerno St.  
Ave Maria, FL 34142

Chakara Haynes, Director  
7121 Alhambra Blvd.  
Miramar, FL 33023

Rev. Dr. Herman Haynes, Director  
2588 Clifton Springs Rd  
Decatur, GA 30034

Jeremy Haynes, Director  
2037 Mesa Dr. SE  
Atlanta, GA 30316

Crystal Jones, Director  
10 Chandler Trace  
Covington, GA 30016

Tiffany Green, Director  
1721 Vista Meadows Dr.  
Ocoee, FL 34761

Bridgett Haynes, Director  
2588 Clifton Springs Rd  
Decatur, GA 30034

## **ARTICLE 7**

### **BYLAWS**

The Bylaws of the Corporation may be amended and/or restated by act of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

## **ARTICLE 8**

### **DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the Corporation, shall be distributed to a not-for-profit fund, Corporation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under section 501(c) (3) of the Code (or any corresponding provision of any future federal tax laws), as selected by the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE 9**

### **LIMITATIONS**

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, its Directors, officers or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments in furtherance of any of its charitable purposes. No part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided in subsection (h) of Section 501 of the Code), and the Corporation shall not participate or intervene in 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 activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c) (3) of the Code (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax laws), or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Code (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax laws).

The undersigned President has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 1st day of March, 2021.

/s/ Edward Haynes  
Edward Haynes, President and Director

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING THE ADDRESS  
AND AN AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

The Circle of Commerce, Inc., (the “**Corporation**”) desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, has named Edward Haynes, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the Corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I accept the duties and obligations of Section 617.0501, Florida Statutes.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2021.

/s/ Edward Haynes  
Edward Haynes, Registered Agent