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### VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

April 27. 2021

Department of State Division of Corporations The Center of Tallahassee 2415 North Monroe Street, Suite 810 Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Re: District 3 Community Inc.

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed are an original and a photocopy of Articles of Incorporation for the referenced corporation for filing with the Secretary of State on the date received.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the filing fee and costs as follows:

Filing Articles of Incorporation:	\$ 35.00
Registered Agent Designation:	35.00
Certified copies of Articles of Incorporation:	8.75
Total	<u>\$ 78.75</u>

Please forward one certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation to the undersigned at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours.

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E. SCOTT GOLDEN

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF DISTRICT 3 COMMUNITY INC.

The undersigned subscriber hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

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# ARTICLE I <u>NAME</u>

The name of the corporation shall be **DISTRICT 3 COMMUNITY INC.** For convenience, **DISTRICT 3 COMMUNITY INC.** is hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation."

### ARTICLE II DURATION AND COMMENCEMENT

The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual and the commencement of the corporate existence shall be as of the time of filing of the Articles of Incorporation.

### ARTICLE III PURPOSES, NATURE AND POWERS

A. The purposes for which the Corporation is organized and the general nature of the Corporation's activities shall be as follows:

1. To engage in charitable activities for the benefit of the residents of Broward County, Florida, including, but not exclusively, in or near District 3 of the City of Fort Lauderdale, with such activities to include:

a. To obtain small parcels of land that are any or all of the following:

(i) of insufficient size to support commercial or residential

buildings,

(ii) used for illegal and criminal purposes, such as dealing or using illegal drugs,

(iii) overrun with snakes, vermin, or other unwanted fauna,

(iv) suitable for environmental enhancement consistent with municipal urban forestry esthetics,

(v) in need of beautification for the benefit of the community,

and

b. To enhance the community appeal of acquired parcels by replanting them consistent with gardening and urban forestry ideals.

c. To maintain community gardens in order to prevent them from degrading.

d. To work with community agencies with regard to projects designed to beautify the community.

2. To obtain, acquire, receive, renovate, and maintain real or personal property, or both, subject to any restrictions and limitations hereinafter set forth, and to use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal thereof exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, literary, or educational purposes either directly or by contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

B. The Corporation is a non-stock, not for profit corporation organized pursuant to Florida Statutes, Chapter 617, solely for the public interest.

C. The Corporation shall not engage in any activity for pecuniary profit.

D. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax code).

E. The Corporation is organized to engage in activities as a private corporation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax code); including without limitation, to prevent child abuse through education, resources, and hands-on guidance to give the innocent, helpless victims support from their community of educators, medical providers, friends and neighbors who may come across victims and not know how to help and to raise funds for the benefit of organization issues that qualify under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as well as other eligible charitable institutions that qualify under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

F. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, 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 in furtherance of the exempt purposes set forth 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 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 these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on:

1. by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax code); or

2. by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax code).

G. The Corporation will endeavor to distribute its income for each tax year at a time and in a manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding Section of any future federal tax code.

H. The Corporation will not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding Section of any future federal tax code.

I. The Corporation will not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding Section of any future federal tax code.

J. The Corporation will not make any investments in a manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding Section of any future federal tax code.

K. The Corporation will not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding Section of any future federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

The Corporation shall not have members.

#### ARTICLE V DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS ON 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, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, to any local governments or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court in and for Broward County, Florida, or such other Circuit Court 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, that are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

#### ARTICLE VI DIRECTORS

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A. <u>Number of Directors</u>. The property, business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, which shall consist of as many persons as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine, but not less than three (3) or more than five (5) persons.

B. <u>Election of Directors</u>. Election of Directors of the Corporation shall be as set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

C. <u>Original Board of Directors</u>. The names and addresses of the first Board of Directors of the Corporation are as follows:

Joe P. Cain, Jr. 206 Royal Palm Drive Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

John Barnes 206 Royal Palm Drive Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

Chris Evert 804 Southeast 18<sup>th</sup> Street Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33315

### ARTICLE VII OFFICERS

A. Subject to overall supervision of the Board of Directors of the Corporation and to any special provisions of the Bylaws of the Corporation, the affairs of the Corporation are to be managed by the following officers (who will be elected at the annual meeting of said Board of Directors to be held at such time as may be determined by the Bylaws):

1. <u>President; Secretary; and Treasurer</u>. Any or all of the offices of President, Secretary, and Treasurer may be held by one (1) person.

2. The names of the persons to serve as officers until the first election of officers are as follows:

Name	Office
Joseph P. Cain, Jr.	President
Joseph P. Cain, Jr.	Treasurer
Joseph P. Cain, Jr.	Secretary

### ARTICLE VIII **BYLAWS**

The Board of Directors shall adopt Bylaws consistent with these Articles of Incorporation. Such Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed by the Board of Directors in the manner set forth in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE IX **INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the Incorporator of the Corporation is:

E. Scott Golden, Esq. 644 Southeast 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

### **ARTICLE X INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE, AGENT AND ADDRESS**

The initial registered office of this Corporation shall be at 644 Southeast 4th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301, with the privilege of having its office and branch offices at other places within or outside the State of Florida. The initial registered agent at that address shall be E. Scott Golden, Esq. The initial principal office of the Corporation shall be: 206 Royal Palm Drive, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Incorporator of the Corporation has hereunto set his hand this <u>27</u> day of <u>April</u>. 2021.

E. Scott Golden, Incorporator

## CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

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Having been named to accept service of process for **DISTRICT 3 COMMUNITY INC.**, at the initial registered office of the Corporation in this State designated in its Articles of Incorporation. I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provisions of § 617.0503 Florida Statutes.

**DATED** this <u>27</u> day of <u>April</u> 2021.

Registered Agent

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