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Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for:				
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2030 Ceasar Way S.				
St. Peters burg Florida 33712				
727 687 - 2921  Daytime Telephone number				
Pinellas da pognal. (com E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)				

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of the corporation for any liability arising by virtue of such directors or officers position or former position with the corporation.

# ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law and set forth in the by-laws.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned sole incorporator executed these Articles of Incorporation,

this 1 day of June, 2021

DEBBIE GARRETT - SOLE INCORPORATOR

# ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named Registered Agent and designated to accept service of process for the within Corporation, at the place designated herein, I hereby 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.

ALFONSO WOODS

Dated this 4th day of June, 2021.

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

## PINELLAS DIASPORA ARTS PROJECT, INC.

(In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., Not for Profit)

WE, the undersigned, all of whom are citizens of the United States, hereby associate ourselves together for the purposes of becoming incorporated under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, applicable to corporations Not-For-Profit, and respectfully petition the Secretary of State for approval of such a corporation under the following proposed Articles of Incorporation. We do hereby certify:

#### ARTICLE I

#### Name and Address

The name of this Corporation shall be:

#### PINELLAS DIASPORA ARTS PROJECT, INC

#### ARTICLE II

# **Principal Office & Mailing Address**

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be:

2030 CEASAR WAY SOUTH - ST. PETERSBURG FLORIDA 33712

and the mailing address of this corporation shall be:

2030 CEASAR WAY SOUTH - ST. PETERSBURG FLORIDA 33712

#### ARTICLE III

#### Purpose

The purpose of this corporation is to support and promote the Black and Brown Artists and Art organizations in Pinellas County through education, collaboration, community engagement and sponsorships. Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### INITIAL OFFICERS AND/OR DIRECTORS

Jones, Bob Devin

President, Director

1627 Beach Drive SE

St. Petersburg, Florida 33701

Hinson, Jai

V. President, Director

1751 Kings Highway

Clearwater, Florida 33755

Woods, Alfonso Treasurer, Director

4905 34th Street South #168 St. Petersburg, Florida 33711

> Garrett, Debbi Secretary, Director

2030 Ceasar Way South St. Petersburg, FL 33712

Edmond, Jabaar Director at Large

360 Central Avenue Ste 845 St. Petersburg, Florida 33701

#### ARTICLE V

#### MANNER OF ELECTION

The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time as provided in the Corporation's Bylaws, but shall never be less than three. The method of selection, time at which they will be selected or appointed, terms of office, powers and duties shall be provided for in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### ADDRESS AND NAME OF INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this Corporation is:

501 1<sup>ST</sup> Avenue North Ste. 901 St. Petersburg, FL 33701 and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is

**Nestegg Advisors Group, LLC** 

ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Address Name

GARRETT, DEBBIE 2030 Ceasar Way South, St. Petersburg, FL 33712

#### ARTICLE VIII - LIMITATIONS

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable 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 in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Third hereof. 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the 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.

#### ARTICLE IX - DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes 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.

### ARTICLE X - BYLAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors of this Corporation.

#### ARTICLE XI - INDEMNIFICATION

Private property of the incorporators, directors, or officers, of the corporation shall not be subject to the payment of any corporate debts, liabilities or obligations. To the fullest extent permitted by the law of the State of Florida, the corporation shall indemnify any director or officer