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ECT:	(PROPOSED CORP	ORATE NAME – <u>MUST IN</u>	CLUDE SUFFIX)
sed is an original	and one (1) copy of the Ar	ticles of Incorporation and	a check for :
≡ \$70.00 Filing Fee	☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	□\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	☐ \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate
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FROM:	Ronald E. Jackson	me (Printed or typed)	_
	1725 Gulf Blvd.	Address	-
	Englewood, FL 34223		_
		City, State & Zip	

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E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF EPIC COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.

The undersigned all of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to forma Non-Profit Corporation under the Non-Profit Corporation Law of the State of Florida, do hereby certify:

FIRST: The name of the Corporation shall be EPIC Community Center, Inc.

SECOND: The place in this state where the principal office of the Corporation is to be located is 145 Redwood Rd., Rotonda West. Florida, 33947. The mailing address of the Corporation shall be P.O. Box 1088, Englewood, Florida 34295.

THIRD: Said Corporation is a faith-based, Christian organization that is organized and operates exclusively for charitable and religious purposes, including education and scientific purposes. All operations being conducted by the Corporation will be within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including, for such purposes as addressing the needs of others or the referral of the needy to other organizations. The Corporation is also organized to help those with needs find already established service in the community and be advocates to help them follow through with their search. The Corporation is a place of prayer and instruction where people in need will find someone who cares and is compassionate with their needs in order to give them hope and to show them God's love.

FOURTH: The names and addresses of the Initial Officers and Directors of the Corporation are as follows:

PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) AND DIRECTOR

Ronald E. Jackson 1725 Gulf Blvd. Englewood, Florida 34223

<u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u>	<u>TREASURER</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>
<u>DIRECTOR</u>	<u>DIRECTOR</u>	<u>DIRECTOR</u>
Randy C. Smith	William C. Spect	Karen S. Moore
12316 Bacchus Road	1 Dover Drive	145 Redwood Road
Port Charlotte, Florida 33981	Englewood, Florida 34223	Rotonda West, Florida 33947

FIFTH: No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to any of 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 tax code.

SIXTH: 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.

SEVENTH: The Directors of the Corporation shall be elected in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

EIGHTH: The initial Registered Agent for the Corporation is Ronald E. Jackson, 1725 Gulf Blvd., Englewood, Florida 34223

NINTH: The name and address of the Incorporator is Ronald E. Jackson, 1725 Gulf Blvd., Englewood, Florida 34223.

Having been named as Registered Agent to accept service for the above stated Corporation at the place designated in the Certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity

Ronald E. Jackson, Registered Agent

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in the document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in S.817.155, F.S.

Ronald E. Jackson, Registered Agent and

Incorporator

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Date: 01/03/2022

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