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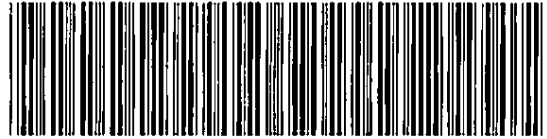
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## COVER LETTER

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Cancer Among Us, 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: Derrica Porteous  
Name (Printed or typed)

2816 Santego Bay Court  
Address

Brandon FL 33511  
City, State & Zip

hawkinsderrica@yahoo.com  
Email Address

813-380-7108  
Daytime Telephone number

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

## ARTICLE I

The name of the nonprofit corporation is  
**Cancer Among Us, Inc.**

## ARTICLE II

### CORPORATE PURPOSES

The purposes for which the Corporation is organized and operated are exclusively for charitable including educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The Corporation's charitable, educational and awareness goals shall be met primarily by its commitment to providing humanitarian, informative, and cross-cultural services throughout Tampa Bay FL and beyond but not limited to the following:

**Cancer Among Us, Inc. mission:** To eliminate cancer-related deaths in underserved communities.

**Cancer Among Us, Inc. envisions:** A world where every individual, regardless of financial means, has access to life-saving cancer care.

### PROGRAMS

**Financial Assistance Program:** Our Financial Assistance program aims to alleviate the financial burden of undergoing chemotherapy by providing financial support for cancer care. We ensure patients have access to cancer-related medications, supplies, transportation, and any other necessities for their cancer journey.

**Education, Screening, and Awareness:** Through our Education, Screening, and Awareness initiatives, we actively engage communities in comprehensive cancer prevention. We collaborate to deliver educational programs on early detection and prevention, facilitate screening services to identify potential cases, and raise awareness about the importance of cancer care, fostering informed and proactive communities.

**Mental Health Support:** Our mental health support program recognizes the emotional challenges patients and their family face during chemotherapy. We facilitate partnerships to provide a diverse, compassionate space with access to counseling and support groups to promote holistic well-being.

By implementing these programs and initiatives, we aim to become a pillar in the community, known for providing excellent care and making a positive difference in the lives of individuals and families.

- (a) **Cancer Among Us, Inc.** is to receive, maintain, and accept as assets of the corporation any property, whether real, personal, or mixed, by way of gift, bequest, devise, or purchase from any person, firm trust, or corporation, and be held, administered, and disposed of exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation; but no gift, bequest, devise, or purchase of any such property shall be received and accepted if it is conditioned or limited in such manner as shall require the disposition of income or principal to any organization other than a "charitable organization" for any purposes other than the "charitable purposes" which would jeopardize the status of the Corporation, an entity exempt from federal income tax pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended; and
- (b) **Cancer Among Us, Inc.** is to exclusively promote and carry on any other charitable, or educational purposes and activities for which corporations may be organized and operated under the relevant provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and under the Florida Nonprofit Corporation Code.

### ARTICLE III LIMITATIONS

1. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office; and
2. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, this 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 Internal Revenue Code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of Internal Revenue Code.
3. The corporation shall not lend any of its assets to any officer or director of this corporation (unless such loan program is regularly conducted as part of the activities of the organization and the qualification of the individual to participate in same is determined by a panel comprised solely of non-Board members) or guarantee to any person the payment of a loan by an officer or director of this corporation.

### ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS/MEMBERS

The corporation should have no members. The management and affairs of the corporation shall be at all times under the direction of a Board of Directors as defined in the corporation bylaws.

**ARTICLE V  
REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The initial street address and mailing address of the principal office of the Corporation is:

Derrica Porteous  
2816 Santego Bay Court  
Brandon FL 33511

The initial registered agent and office of the nonprofit corporation is:

Derrica Porteous  
2816 Santego Bay Court  
Brandon FL 33511

**ARTICLE VI  
MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the Corporation shall manage under the direction of, a Board of Directors which shall have five (5) directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by a majority of the directors, but at no times shall there be fewer than three (3) directors of the Corporation.

**ARTICLE VIII  
INITIAL DIRECTORS**

The manner in which the Directors of the Corporation shall be elected or appointed shall be governed by the provisions of the Bylaws of the Corporation. The names and street addresses of the initial officers & directors of the Corporation are:

<u>Name</u>		<u>Street Address</u>	
Derrica Porteous	President/ Board of Director	2816 Santego Bay Court, Brandon FL	33511
Delaney Hawkins-Shaw	Vice President/ Board of Director	6467 US-301, Riverview FL	33578
Edline Pierre	Assistant VP / Board of Director	2421 Roanoke Springs Dr, Ruskin FL	33570
Ocean Miller	Secretary/ Board of Director	13048 Willow Grove Drive, Riverview FL	33579
Regina Graham	Treasurer/ Board of Director	7651 Windchase Way, Wesley Chapel	33545

**ARTICLE IX  
MEMBERS**

The Corporation will not have members and shall be governed exclusively by its Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE X  
AMENDMENTS**

Amendment to these Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by a majority of the directors in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

**ARTICLE XI**

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Derrica Porteous  
2816 Santego Bay Court  
Brandon FL 33511

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ARTICLE XIII  
MISCELLANEOUS

In the event of the dissolution of the Corporation, or in the event it shall cease to carry out the objects and purposes herein set forth, all of the business, property and assets of the Corporation shall go and be distributed to a nonprofit corporation qualifying as an organization exempt under the provisions of Section 501 ( c ) ( 3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, amended, or any superseding statute thereof, and as an organization qualifying as a public charity under the provisions of Section 509 (a)(1) or 509(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereof, as the Directors of the Corporation any select and designate; and in no event shall any of said assets or property, in the event of dissolution thereof, go or be distributed or contributed by such directors, for any other such purpose.

Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the County in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purpose, or to such organization or organization as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

DIRECTORS:

Derrica Porteous  
Derrica Porteous, President/ Board of Director

Delaney Hawkins-Shaw  
Delaney Hawkins-Shaw, Vice-President/ Board of Director

Edline Pierre  
Edline Pierre, Assistant VP / Board of Director

O. Miller  
Ocean Miller, Secretary, Board of Director

Regina Graham  
Regina Graham, Treasurer/ Board of Director

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Derrica Porteous  
Derrica Porteous, Registered Agent

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation.

INCORPORATOR:

Derrica Porteous  
Derrica Porteous, President 12 2, 2023