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December 11, 2023

ETHELBERT NWANEGBO 6620 SOUTHPOINT DRIVE S., SUITE 511 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32216 US

SUBJECT: BLACK ELITES FOUNDATION, INC.

Ref. Number: W23000165081

We have received your document for BLACK ELITES FOUNDATION, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

YOU MUST HAVE A TOTAL OF 3 DIRECTORS LISTED ONCE 1 DIRECTOR IS LISTED.

If you have any further questions concerning your document, please call (850) 245-6052.

Rickey L Richardson Regulatory Specialist II New Filing Section

Letter Number: 423A00028209

6620 Southpoint Drive S. #511 Jacksonville FL, 32216

January 2, 2024

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Attn: Rickey L. Richardson

#### Ref. Number W23000165081 - Letter Number 423A00028209

Sirs,

As requested, please find an updated copy of our articles of organization in the above-referenced new filing for Black Elites Foundation, Inc.

Three Directors are clearly on record.

Thanking you,

Ethelbert Nwanegbo Incorporator

#### **COVER LETTER**

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

SUBJECT:	Black Elites Foundation, Inc.				
	(PROPOSED CORPO	RATE NAME – <u>MUST IN</u>	CLUDE SUFFIX)		
Enclosed is an original a	and one (1) copy of the Artic	cles 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		
		ADDITIONAL CO	PY REQUIRED		
FROM:	Ethelbert Nwanegbo		_		
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	Jacksonville, FL 32216				
	City, State & Zip				
	(904) 265-0765				
	Daytime Telephone number				
	accounting@phanchor.com				

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

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

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	(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)					
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<b>■</b> \$70.00	□ \$78.75	□\$78.75	□ \$87.50			
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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF Black Elites Foundation, Inc.

The undersigned associate for the purpose of becoming a *not-for-profit* corporation under Chapter 617, laws of the State of Florida, providing for the formation, liability, rights, privileges, and immunities of a *not-for-profit* corporation.

## **ARTICLE I**

#### **NAME**

The name of the not-for-profit corporation shall be Black Elites Foundation, Inc.

## **ARTICLE II**

#### PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The address of the initial principal place of business shall be: 6620 Southpoint Drive S., Suite 511

Jacksonville, FL 32216

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## **ARTICLE III**

#### **PURPOSE**

This not for profit is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1996 or the successor provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. The purposes of the organization shall be to provide a unique platform where the achievements, stories and aspirations of the Black community are celebrated and elevated to a global audience.

We will achieve these objectives through our existing media channels, which include a growing and thriving digital magazine, our YouTube channel, podcasts, webinars, and community impact events. We will engage in apprenticeship education and mentorship programs for young black entrepreneurs, promote and foster partnership initiatives with local community organizations within our immediate local communities and beyond.

To the end that the forgoing objectives and purposes and any related charitable and educational purposes may be carried out, performed, and accomplished, this corporation shall have the power to engage only in such activities as shall not constitute business related to its charitable and educational purposes.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1996 or the successor provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. Subject to the foregoing limitations, this corporation shall have all of the rights and powers set forth in Section 617.0302, Florida Statutes.

## ARTICLE IV

#### MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The method or manner of the election of the Board of Directors shall be stated in the corporaby-laws.

## ARTICLE V

#### INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the initial registered agent for this corporation is

#### PowerHouse Anchor Management Consulting, Inc.

6620 Southpoint Drive S., Suite 511 Jacksonville, FL 32216

## **ARTICLE VI**

#### **INCORPORATOR**

The initial incorporator of the corporation is

#### Ethelbert Nwanegbo

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## **ARTICLE VII**

#### **DURATION**

This corporation shall exist perpetually. Corporate existence shall commence on the date these Articles are filed.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

#### DISTRIBUTION

No part of the net earnings of the nonprofit shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the nonprofit 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 the purpose clause thereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the nonprofit 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 this document, the organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a nonprofit organization exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

## ARTICLE IX

#### DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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.

## ARTICLE X

#### **INITIAL DIRECTORS/ OFFICERS**

Ethelbert C. Nwanegbo (President) Director 6620 Southpoint Drive S., Suite 511 Jacksonville, FL 32216

Coty K. Garner-Nwanegbo – (Treasurer/Director)

6620 Southpoint Drive S., Suite 511 Jacksonville, FL 32216

Steve C. Ibeawuchi (Secretary/Director)

6620 Southpoint Drive S., Suite 511 Jacksonville, FL 32216

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## **ARTICLE XI**

#### **BY-LAWS**

The initial by-laws of this corporation shall be adopted by the directors. By-laws shall be adopted, altered, amended or repealed from time to time by either the member or the board of directors, but the board of directors shall not alter, amend or repeal any by-laws adopted by the

HAVING BEEN NAMED, as Registered Agent for this Corporation at the Registered officer designated in the forgoing Articles of Incorporation, the undersigned accepts the designation.

Dated on 29th day of November, 2023

Ethelbert Nwanegbo, Incorporator

PowerHouse Anchor Management Consulting, Inc.-- Registered Agent

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