

N2400000 7552

(Requestor's Name)

(Address)

(Address)

(City/State/Zip/Phone #)

☐

PICK-UP

☐

WAIT

☐

MAIL

(Business Entity Name)

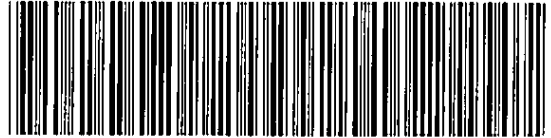
(Document Number)

Certified Copies \_\_\_\_\_

Certificates of Status \_\_\_\_\_

Special Instructions to Filing Officer:

Office Use Only



600431311056

05/13/24--01016--004 \*70.00

FILED  
2024 JUN 13 PM 1:23  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

## COVER LETTER

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

**SUBJECT:** The 954Bridge, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles 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 COPY REQUIRED**

FROM: Pastor Brian Brookins  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Printed or typed)

957 Rock Island Road  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

North Lauderdale, FL 33068  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State & Zip

954-720-8737  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Telephone number

stephany@954church.com

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

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

# ***ATTACHMENT A***

## **Articles of Incorporation for The 954Bridge, Inc.**

The undersigned incorporator for the purpose of forming a Florida not-for-profit corporation, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

### **Article I**

**The name of the corporation is:**

The 954Bridge, Inc.

### **Article II**

**The principal place of business address:**

957 Rock Island Road  
North Lauderdale, FL 33068

**The mailing address of the corporation is:**

957 Rock Island Road  
North Lauderdale, FL 33068

### **Article III**

**The specific purpose for which the corporation is organized is:**

At the start of 2020, The 954Bridge, Inc. (The 954Bridge) began simply as an idea to create education, mentorship, and career exploration opportunities for the youth of our Broward County community. The 954Bridge started as a ministry of Riverside Church which exists to connect today's youth to a thriving future. Ultimately, Riverside Church was hoping to be advocates for the next generation as they discovered all that God created them to be and learned how that connects to their academic, career, and life goals.

In February 2022, The 954Bridge was officially launched as an outreach program of Riverside Church. The 954Bridge focuses on addressing barriers to success by providing teenagers and their parents with resources and information essential to teens becoming thriving members of the community. The 954Bridge promotes mentoring, career exploration, higher education, and economic mobility, empowering our youth to see beyond current situations or hurdles, to a thriving future. It's a place where participants learn, get a sense of belonging, cultivate friendships, and are nurtured. They are also challenged to step out of their comfort zone, stretch themselves, and grow.

Over time, The 954Bridge has grown and continues to evolve into what it is today.

The 954Bridge is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, literary and scientific purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corporation provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

FILED  
2024 JUN 13 PM 1:23  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
ALL AMENDED FORMS

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation will not carry on any other 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 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

In the event of dissolution, the assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt from federal Income Tax under the provision of sections 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or to the Federal, State or county government for exclusive public purpose. Any such assets not 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 organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

No Part of the earnings of this organization shall ever inure to the benefit of or be distributeable to its members, trustee, 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 distribution in furtherance of section 501(c)(3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on of propangada, 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.

## Article IV

**The manner in which directors are elected or appointed is:**

As provided for in the by-laws

## Article V

**The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:**

Name : Pastor Brian Brookins  
Address: 957 Rock Island Road  
North Lauderdale, FL 33068

I certify that I am familiar with and accept the responsibilities of registered agent.

**Registered Agent Signature:** 

## Article VI Incorporator

**The name of and address of the incorporator is:**

Name : Pastor Brian Brookins  
Address: 957 Rock Island Road  
North Lauderdale, FL 33068

**Incorporator Signature:** 

I am the incorporator submitting these Articles of Incorporation and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S. I understand the requirement to file annual report between January 1st and May 1st in the calendar year following formation of this corporation and every year thereafter to maintain "active" status.

## Article VII Initial officers

**The initial officers of the corporation are:**

Title: President  
Name : Brian Brookins

FILED  
2024 JUN 13 PM 1:20  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399

Address: 957 Rock Island Road  
North Lauderdale, FL 33068

Title: Vice President  
Name : Pastor Winston Miller

Address: 957 Rock Island Road  
North Lauderdale, FL 33068

Title: Executive Director of Operations

Name : Ms. Stephany Gallo

Address: 957 Rock Island Road  
North Lauderdale FL 33068

FILED

2024 JUN 13 PM 1:26

SECRETARY OF STATE  
ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED