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	FAITHFUL STEPS TO ADULTHOOD, INC.
SUBJECT:	
•	(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

losed is an original a	nd one (1) copy of the Ar	ticles of Incorporation and	a check for:	
□ \$70.00	□ \$78.75	□\$78.75	ጃ \$87.50	
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TIFFANY COLEMAN

FROM:

Name (Printed or typed)

1560 BLACKWOOD CIRCLE

Address

NORTH PORT, FL 34288

City, State & Zip

941–408-4037

Daytime Telephone number

CTIFFANY227@GMAIL.COM

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

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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

Pursuant to §617 of the laws of Florida, the undersigned majority of whom are citizens of the United States, do hereby submit these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation.

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this corporation is: FAITHFUL STEPS TO ADULTHOOD, INC.

ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE & MAILING ADDRESS

The physical address of the corporation is: 1560 Blackwood Circle, North Port, FL 34288

The mailing address of the corporation is: 1560 Blackwood Circle, North Port, FL 34288

ARTICLE III. PURPOSE

The purpose of the corporation is 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. The specific purpose of Faithful Steps to Adulthood, Inc. is:

To empower and support underprivileged minority youth as they transition from teenage years to adulthood. We provide essential knowledge and skills including but not limited to: life skills development, tutoring, faith-building lessons, career exploration, college preparation, financial literacy, mentorship opportunities, personal well-being tips, leadership development, and resources to foster personal and professional growth rooted in faith. Our program incorporates teachings of the Christian faith and emphasizes the importance of relationships, as we draw from our experiences and wisdom to guide and mentor the next generation of leaders. Our goal is to equip future leaders who will give back to their communities.

To maximize our impact on current efforts, we may seek to collaborate with other not for profit organizations which fall under the 501(c)(3) section of the internal revenue code and are operated exclusively for educational and charitable purposes.

At times, per the discretion of the board of directors, we may provide internships and volunteer opportunities which will provide opportunities for involvement in said activities and programs in order to have a greater impact for change.

Faithful Steps to Adulthood, Inc. is designated as a public benefit corporation.

ARTICLE IV. MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which the directors are elected and appointed as provided for in the bylaws.

ARTICLE V. INITIAL DIRECTORS

The number of directors, and the method of selecting directors, shall be fixed by the Bylaws of this corporation. The initial directors shall be three (3) in number. The names and addresses of these initial directors are as follows:

Title: P

Name: Coleman, Tiffany, S. Address: 1560 Blackwood Circle,

North Port, FL 34288, US

Title: VP

Name: Ortiz, Franky, O.

Address: 18429 Burkholder Circle,

Port Charlotte, FL 33948, US

Title: S

Name: Lawrence, Georgia, A. Address:12172 Flannery Lane, Hampton, GA 30228, US

ARTICLE VI. REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The name and address of the initial register agent is: <u>TIFFANY COLEMAN, 1560 BLACKWOOD</u>

<u>CIRCLE, NORTH PORT, FL 34288.</u>

ARTICLE VII. EXISTENCE

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of incorporation shall be: upon filing by the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE IX. MEMBERS

Faithful Steps to Adulthood Inc. shall have no members, The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined in the corporation's bylaws.

ARTICLE X. INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation does indemnify any directors, officers, employees, incorporators, and members of the corporation from any liability regarding the corporation and the affairs of the corporation, unless the person fraudulently and intentionally violated the law and/or maliciously conducted acts to damage and/or defraud the corporation, or as otherwise provided under applicable statute.

ARTICLE XL LIMITATIONS

- 1. Faithful Steps to Adulthood, Inc. is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes including, for such purpose, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. No part of the net earnings of Faithful Steps to Adulthood, Inc. 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 the purpose clause hereof.
- 2. Faithful Steps to Adulthood, Inc. is not organized and shall not be operated for the private gain of any person. The property of the corporation is irrevocably dedicated to its educational and charitable purposes. No part of the assets, receipts, or net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to any individual. The corporation may, however, pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make other payments and distributions consistent with these Articles.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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.
- 5. No member, officer, or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers, or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

ARTICLE XII. DISSOLUTION

Upon termination or dissolution of the Faithful Steps to Adulthood Inc., any assets lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed for one (1) or more qualifying organizations described in purposes within 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 an organization or organizations have charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the terminating or dissolving corporation.

The organization to receive the assets of the Faithful Steps to Adulthood Inc. hereunder shall be selected by the discretion of a majority of the managing body of the Faithful Steps to Adulthood Inc. and if its members cannot so agree, then the recipient organization shall be selected pursuant to a verified petition

in equity filed in a court of proper jurisdiction against the Faithful Steps to Adulthood Inc. by one (1) or more of its managing body which verified petition shall contain such statements as reasonably indicate the applicability of this section. The court upon a finding that this section is applicable shall select the qualifying organization or organizations to receive the assets to be distributed, giving preference if practicable to organizations located within the State of Florida.

In the event that court shall find that this section is applicable but that there is no qualifying organizations known to it which has a charitable purpose, which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to this corporation, then the court shall direct the distribution of its assets lawfully available for distribution to the Treasurer of the State of Florida to be added to the general fund. 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 XIII. GOVERNANCE

Faithful Steps to Adulthood Inc. shall be governed by its board of directors.

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENTS

Any amendment of the Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by approval of the two-thirds (3/2) of the board of directors.

ARTICLE XV. INCORPORATOR

The incorporator of the corporation are as follow:

Name: Tiffany Coleman

Address: 1560 Blackwood Circle, North Port, FL 34288

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

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

Registered Agent

Required Signature of Registered Agent

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Date: 09/27/2024

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any 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.

Required Signature of Incorporator Tiffany Coleman, Incorporator

Address: 1560 Blackwood Circle, North Port, FL 34288

Email Address: ctiffany227@gmail.com