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## Articles of Incorporation of

# AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF CLAY COUNTY-FL, INC.

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

#### Article I - NAME

The name of this Non-Profit Corporation shall be African American Historical Society of Clay County-FL, Inc.

### **Article II - LOCATION**

The principal office and mailing address shall be: 2346 Eagle Harbor Parkway W, Fleming Island, FL 32003 and 5000 US Highway 17 South, Suite 18, No. 107, Fleming Island, Clay County, Florida 32003, respectively.

#### Article III - PURPOSE

Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational 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. This organization's specific purposes are: to document, serve as a repository of historical artifacts, and present the history and heritage of African Americans in Clay County, Florida, through educational programs, awareness initiatives, research, and the dissemination of information that is material to its purpose.

# Article IV - LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS

No part of the net earnings of the corporation 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 Article III, PURPOSE. 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 according to 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, and applicable State of Florida Statute(s). Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

#### Article V - ELECTION/APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall consist of no fewer than three individuals. The initial Directors' positions will extend for not less than one year unless otherwise stipulated by a majority vote of all incorporators. The method of election or appointment of future Directors will be according to the bylaws that will regulate the duties of the officers and the affairs of this corporation..

#### Article VI - DISSOLUTION

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.

#### Article VII - REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the Registered Agent is: Janice E. Tucker 2346 Eagle Harbor Parkway West Fleming Island, FL 32003

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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

Article VIII - INCORPORATORS

August B, 2025

The names and addresses of the initial board members and incorporators are:

Janice E. Tucker	President	2346 Eagle Harbor Parkway W, Fleming Island, FL 32003
Dr. Larry T. Richardson, Sr.	Vice President	7202 Eudine Drive North, Jacksonville, FL 32210
Debra Austin	Secretary	1208 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Barbara Aldridge Martin	Treasurer	6437 Sarah's View Court, Jacksonville, FL 32244
Doris Jordan	Director	730 N. Cypress Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Ken Francis	Director	573 Harrison Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32065
Pamela Monk	Director	1435 Fred Gray Road, Jacksonville, FL, 32218

Further, these Articles of Incorporation are submitted and affirms that the facts stated herein are true.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto approved and executed these Articles of Incorporation dated August 8, 2025.

Janice E. Tucker	Janice E. Tucker
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