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THE HAITIAN ORGANIZATION FOR POLITICAL EXCELLENCE INC.

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The undersigned acting as sole incorporator of a corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, as amended, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is **The Haitian Organization for Political Excellence, Inc.**

SECOND: The period of its duration is perpetual.

THIRD: The corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, educational and/or scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Such purposes shall include but shall not be limited to uniting the Haitian vote and defending and helping Haitians.

FOURTH: Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation, including provisions for the distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation, are:

(a) The corporation shall be a non-profit corporation and shall have no authority to issue capital stock.

(b) The corporation shall be a membership corporation. The qualifications for members and the manner of their admission shall be as regulated by the by-laws of the corporation.

(c) The affairs and business of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors having at least three (3) Directors. Each member of the Board of Directors shall have one vote. The directors and officers of the corporation, terms of office, method of selection, respective duties, and all things pertaining thereto, are defined and established by the by-laws of the corporation.

(d) Without in any way limiting the foregoing, the corporation shall have those powers granted by Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

(e) No part of the assets of the corporation and no part of any net earnings of the corporation shall be divided among or inure to the benefit of any member, officer or director of

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the corporation or any private individual or be appropriated for any purposes other than the purposes of the corporation as herein set forth; and no substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation except to the extent that the corporation makes expenditures for purposes of influencing legislation in conformity with the requirements of Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code; and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation or the by-laws of the corporation, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or (2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(f) Except as otherwise provided by law, the corporation may at any time dissolve by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors. Upon the liquidation or dissolution of the corporation, after payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation or due provision therefor, all of the assets of the corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or shall be distributed to a federal, state or local government, for a public purpose.

(g) In the event that the corporation is a private foundation as that term is defined in Section 509 of the Internal Revenue Code, then notwithstanding any other provisions of the Articles of Incorporation or the by-laws of the corporation, the following provisions shall apply:

The corporation shall distribute the income of each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code.

The corporation shall not engage in any act of self dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code; nor retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; nor make any investments in such manner as to incur tax liability under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code; nor make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(h) Except as may otherwise be required by law, the corporation may, at any time, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors, merge or consolidate with or into any corporation in such manner that the surviving corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational and/or scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and qualifies as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(i) All references herein: (i) to the Internal Revenue Code shall be deemed to refer to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in force or hereafter amended; and (ii) to particular sections of the Internal Revenue Code shall be deemed to refer to similar or successor provisions hereafter adopted.

FIFTH: The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is c/o Edwards & Angell, 250 Royal Palm Way, Palm Beach, Florida 33480, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is Norman E. Taplin.

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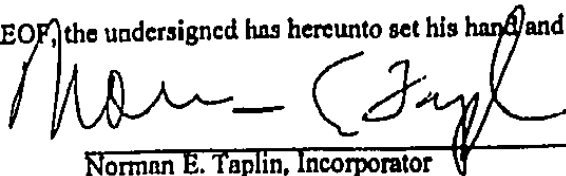
SIXTH: The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors until the first annual election of directors pursuant to the by-laws of the corporation are:

Norman E. Taplin	250 Royal Palm Way, Suite 250 Palm Beach FL 33480
David L. Alexis	2120 Okeechobee Boulevard West Palm Beach FL 33409
Minister Frank Francois	809 South 8th Avenue Delray Beach FL 33444

SEVENTH: The name and address of the sole incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

Norman E. Taplin
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Palm Beach, FL 33480

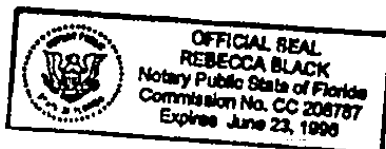
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand and seal on this 29th day of March, 1996.


Norman E. Taplin, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 29th day of March, 1996, by Norman E. Taplin.

(SEAL/STAMP)



Signature

Print/Type Name

Rebecca Black

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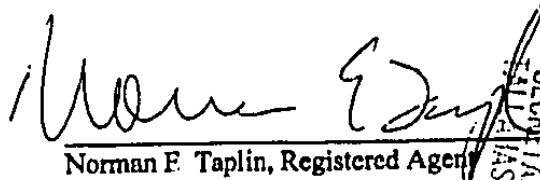
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SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM
PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

The following is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 48.091,
Florida Statutes:

The Haitian Organization for Political Excellence, Inc., desiring to organize under the
laws of the State of Florida with its registered office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation,
in the Town of Palm Beach, County of Palm Beach, State of Florida, has named Norman E.
Taplin, located at 250 Royal Palm Way, Palm Beach, Florida 33480, as its agent to accept
service of process within this State.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the
place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply
with the provisions of Chapter 48.091, F.S. relative to keeping open said office. Accepted this
29th day of March, 1996.


Norman E. Taplin, Registered Agent

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