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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

# FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE (FAAACC), INC.

We, the undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, natural persons, competent to contract, have associated ourselves and do hereby form a corporation, not-for-profit, under the laws of the State of Florida.

# ARTICLE I

#### NAME

The name of the corporation shall be the Florida Association of African-American Chambers of Commerce (FAAACC), Inc.

#### ARTICLE II

# **PLACE OF BUSINESS**

The principal place of operations for this corporation shall be Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida. Its address is: 313 N. Macomb, Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida 32301, or such other location that the Board of Directors may from time to time designate.

# **ARTICLE III**

# MISSION AND PURPOSE

The mission of the organization is to promote economic and political advocacy among Florida African American Chambers of commerce and facilitate the education, Empowerment and development of black entrepreneurs.

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized shall be:

1. To aggressively identify, support and charter new Chambers of Commerce within the State of Florida.

- 2. To provide developmental training and assistance to members.
- To lobby and support matters of critical importance to the survival of blackowned businesses.
- 4. To work closely with governmental agencies and the private sector to protect and promote the interest of black businesses.
- 5. To disseminate general information, network and exchange knowledge thereof.
- 6. To carry on any or all of its operations and to promote its objectives within the State of Florida or elsewhere, without restrictions as to place or amount, and to have, use, exercise and enjoy all of the general powers of like corporations.

#### ARTICLE IV

# TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE V

#### **EMPLOYEES**

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to appoint or employ an executive director and/or other staff members as required to manage the daily affairs of the corporation.

# **ARTICLE VI**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The method for election or appointment of directors shall be as stated in the bylaws of this corporation. The government and policy-making responsibilities for the Florida Association of African-American Chambers of Commerce (FAAACC), Inc., shall be vested in the Board of Directors which shall control its property, be responsible for its finances, and direct its offices.

# **ARTICLE VII**

# **BYLAWS**

Bylaws for this corporation may be amended or altered by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at any regular or special meeting, provided that the notice for the meeting includes the proposed amendments. Any proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting at which they are to be considered.

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#### **ARTICLE VIII**

# **AMENDING ARTICLES**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors in good standing and in attendance at a regular meeting provided such amendments shall be plainly stated in the notice for the meeting at which they are to be considered.

# ARTICLE IX

#### **EXEMPTIONS AND LIMITATION OF POWERS**

The private property of the Board of Directors of this corporation shall not be liable for the debts of this corporation, but shall be wholly exempt therefrom. Further, the corporate powers of this corporation shall be as provided in Section 617.0302, Florida Statutes.

#### ARTICLE X

#### CONFLICTS

In the event of conflicts between language found in the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation shall be controlling.

### ARTICLE XI

#### DISSOLUTION

The corporation may acquire, take by gift, grant, purchase, devise, or bequeath, real and personal property, including grant awards, for purposes appropriate in the exercise of its powers, and may lease, mortgage and dispose of real and personal property including the right to take, hold, and dispose of shares of stock in other corporations.

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Before me personally appeared: Dorothy Baker, Patrick Barnes, Valecia Brooks, Charles A. Cyrus, Sr., Cheryl Seals-Gonzalez, Ethel Johnson, Eleana Plaskett, Olivia Simmons, known to be the individuals described in, and who executed the forgoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledge before me that they executed the same for the purposes erein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal in the County and State mentioned above, this 5th day of November, 1996.

NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission expires:

Amonda G. Daniela

Notary Public, State of Plorida

Commission No. CC 431826

My Commission Expires 02/01/99

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#### ARTICLE XII

# INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND ADDRESS

The name and the street address of the initial registered agent is: Charles A. Cyrus, Sr.
303 North Macomb St., Suite A
Tallahassee, FL 32301

#### ARTICLE XIII

# **INCORPORATORS AND OFFICERS**

The names and the street addresses of the incorporators for these articles of incorporation, and officer position holders as applicable are:

Dorothy Baker, Chairperson Advisory Council	Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 9191 Biscayne Blvd., Ste. 201, Miami, Florida 33138
Valecia Brooks President	African American Chamber of Commerce, Inc. of Orlando 1200 West Colonial Dr., Orlando, Florida 32804
Cheryl Gonzalez Vice President	Capital City Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 313 North Macomb St. Ste. A, Tallahassee, Florida 32301
Ethel Johnson Secretary	Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 9191 Biscayne Blvd., Ste. 201, Miami, Florida 33138
Patrick Barnes Treasurer	African American Chamber of Commerce, Inc. of Orlando 1200 West Colonial Dr., Orlando, Florida 32804
Charles A. Cyrus, Sr.	Capital City Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 313 North Macomb St. Ste. A, Tallahassee, Florida 32301
Dorothy Jones	Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 2114 N. W. 5t St., Pompano Beach, Florida 33069
Dean O'Brien	Daytona Beach Black Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 333 Southridge Ave., Daytona Beach, Florida 32114
Eleana Plaskett	Capital City Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 313 North Macomb St. Ste. A, Tallahassee, Florida 32301
Olivia Simmons	Suncoast Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 2001 Broadway, Ste. 301, Riviera Beach, Florida 33404
Lewis Siplin	African American Chamber of Com./Greater Jacksonville 1817-A N. Myrtle Ave., Jacksonville, Florida 32209

In witness hereof, we, the undersigned witnesses for purposes of this incorporation, have hereto set our hands and seals, this 5th day of November, 1996, for the purpose of forming this corporation, to do business not-for-profit within and without the State of Florida, do make and file in the Office of the Secretary of the State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

#### REGISTERED AGENT CERTIFICATE

#### STATE OF FLORIDA **COUNTY OF LEON**

Before me personally appeared Charles A. Cyrus, Sr. to me known to be the individual described in this registered Agent Certificate and acknowledges before me that he is the registered Agent for the FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, INC., said corporation's street address and registered office being 303 North Macomb Street, Ste A, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

> Charles A. Cyrus, Sr. / "I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent."

Witness my hand and official seal in the County and State named above, this 74L day of November, 1996.

> Notary Public My Commission Expires:

Amonda G. Daniels
Notary Public, State of Florida
Commission No. CC 436626
My Commission Expires 02/01/09

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