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SUBJECT: And In The Beginning, 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

☐ \$122.50
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$131.25
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Melva T. Chennault
Name (Printed or typed)

1900 SW 48th Avenue
Address

Carver Ranches, Florida 33023
City, State & Zip

(954) 989-1754 (before Noon) 797-4562 (After 1:30 pm)
Daytime Telephone number

MELVA CHENNAULT GAVE
AUTHORIZATION BY PHONE TO
CORRECT PRINCIPAL ADDRESS
DATE 3-30-98
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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Sandra B. Mortham
Secretary of State

March 9, 1998

MELVA T. CHENNAULT
1900 SW 48TH AVE.
CARVER RANCHES, FL 33023

SUBJECT: AND IN THE BEGINNING, INC.
Ref. Number: W98000005109

We have received your document for AND IN THE BEGINNING, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$131.25. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

The document must contain written acceptance by the registered agent, (i.e. "I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent.")

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6878.

John Nedeau
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

AND IN THE BEGINNING, *Inc.*

A Florida Not For Profit Corporation

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ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this corporation is And In The Beginning, Inc.

ARTICLE II

Duration

The period of duration of this corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE III

Statement of Corporate Nature

This is a nonprofit corporation organized solely for general charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act set forth in Part I of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE IV

Purpose

The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are to operate for the advancement of education and for charitable purposes, and particularly for cooperative endeavors that provide educational services and information, and to support activities that will strengthen educational resources within the community.

ARTICLE V

Tax Exemption Provisions

This corporation is organized to engage in any other lawful activity which may hereafter be authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that the purpose for which the corporation is formed shall at all times be consistent with Section 501© (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations qualified as tax-exempt organizations under the Code.

This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry out propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution of any statement or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE VI

Power

This corporation shall have the power to do all lawful acts or things necessary, appropriate or desirable to carry out and in furtherance of its purpose described in Article IV which are consistent with the Florida Nonprofit Corporation Act and Section 501© (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE VII

Dedication of Assets

The property of this corporation is dedicated to educational purposes and no part of its income or assets shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

ARTICLE VIII

Registered Officer & Principal office

The address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 1900 SW 48th Avenue, Carver Ranches, Florida 33023, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is Melva Taylor Chennault.

ARTICLE XI

Initial Directors

There shall be five (5) directors constituting the initial Board of Directors. Their names and addresses are:

Melva Taylor Chennault
1900 SW 48th Avenue
Carver Ranches, FL 33023

William Chennault
1900 SW 48th Avenue
Carver Ranches, FL 33023

Melvin Smith
4801 NW 18th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33313

Huge Thompson
4131 Sterling Road #308
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

Shawn T. Greene
4801 NW 18th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33313

The initial directors serve until the first organizational meeting of the Board of Directors and until their successor is appointed.

ARTICLE X

Election-Board of Directors

The method of election or appointment of the Board of Directors is as stated in Article VI of the Bylaws of And In The Beginning.

ARTICLE XI

Incorporators

The name and addresses of the Incorporators of this corporation are the same as the names and addresses of the initial directors listed in Article Eight of these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE XII

Management of Corporate Affairs

Section 1: The Board of Directors

The Board of Directors are responsible for overall policy and direction and delegates responsibility for day-to-day operations to a Director or administrator. The Board shall be composed of five (5) officers and not fewer than four (4) Directors. The Board will receive no compensation other than reasonable expenses.

Section 2: Meeting

The Board shall meet at least four (4) times a year, at an agreed upon time and place. An annual meeting for the transaction of business shall be held each November at such time and place determined by the Board of Directors.

Special meetings shall be called by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors. Notice of special meetings must be sent at least fourteen (14) days in advance of the meeting and must state the purpose for which the meeting was called. Business will be limited to that which is included in the call.

Section 3: Power and Authority

Except as otherwise provided herein, the Board of Directors shall have corporate authority and control over all affairs of And In The Beginning, and shall prescribe and enforce all needful rules and regulations for the conduct of the business and affairs of And In The Beginning, and the management of its property and other assets, subject to the provisions of its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. Therefore the Board of Directors:

- A. Shall have the responsibility for selecting, appointing, evaluating, and establishing compensation for, as well as dismissing an Executive Director and senior management level staff;
- B. May establish such committees as may be necessary for the operation and development of And In The Beginning as described in Article II, Sections 1 and 2;
- C. Shall approve And In The Beginning program objectives, policies, and annual budget;
- D. May make recommendations to an Executive Director on major committee and task group appointments;
- E. Shall recommend guidelines for And In The Beginning operation; and
- F. Shall authorize the Executive Director to negotiate agreements and contracts with various groups, and outside agencies as may be necessary for the conduct of business, subject to policies and guidelines promulgated by the Board; however, the Board must approve all such agreements when the sum to be expended at one time exceeds \$1,000, or in one fiscal year \$3,000.

Section 4. Executive Committee

- A. The Directors of And In The Beginning constitute the Executive Committee.
- B. The Executive Committee shall have the authority of the Board to act on a special matter when such action is required between meetings of the Board and a timely decision is necessary.

ARTICLE XIII

Officers and Duties

The corporation shall elect the following officers: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasure. Such election shall be held according to the provisions of the bylaws of the corporation. Until such election is held, the following persons shall serve as corporate offices:

William Chennault: Chair
Melva Chennault: Vice-Chair
Melvin Smith: Secretary
Huge Thompson: Treasure

ARTICLE XIV

By-Laws

The Board of Directors of this corporation will provide for the by-laws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purpose. Upon proper notice the by-laws may be amended, altered, or rescinded by majority vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE XV

Amendments

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present at a meeting of the Board of Directors called for that purpose.

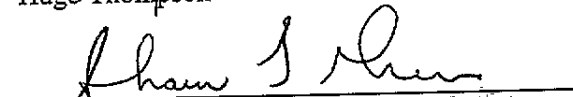
We, the undersigned, being the Incorporators of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit charitable corporation under the Laws of the State of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation on January 1, 1998.


William Chennault


Melva Chennault


Melvin Smith



Hugo Thompson


Shawn Greene

ARTICLE XVI

Registered Agent

I Melva Taylor Chennault hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as
Registered Agent of And In The Beginning.


Melva Taylor Chennault

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