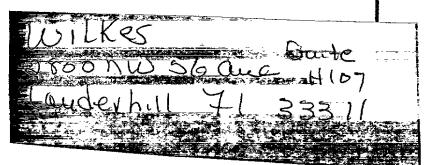
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF CITY OF REFUGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

We the undersigned incorporators, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes (F.S.), hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is City of Refuge Community Development Corporation, a community housing development organization.

ARTICLE II

SECTION 1. Principal Place of Business. The principal place of business of this corporation shall be:

City of Refuge Comunity Development Corporation 3324 W. Broward Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311

SECTION 2. Mailing Address of Business. The mailing address of this business shall be:

City of Refuge Community Development Corporation 2800 NW 56th Avenue, Apt. H107 Lauderhill, Florida 33313

ARTICLE III

This corporation is formed exclusively for charitable and educational purposes pursuant to Chapter 617, under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act and the following specific purposes:

SECTION 1. To benefit and to engage in activities designed to stabilize the lives of low to moderate income residents who are substantially unemployed, or whose income is below federal poverty guidelines living within the following Broward County geographic boundaries of Highway 95 E., 31st Avenue, Sistrunk Blvd., and Sunrise Blvd. located in the state of Florida.

SECTION 2. To foster and promote community-wide interest and concern for the problems of said residents to the end that (a) employment and economic opportunities may be expanded; (b) daycare, before and afterschool youth programs, and eldercare for low-income senior citizens may be provided; (c) GED classes and afterschool tutorial classes may be provided; (d) juvenile delinquency, poverty, and homelessness, may be eliminated.

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- SECTION 3. To promote economic self-sufficiency and to expand the opportunities available to said residents and groups to own, manage, and operate business enterprises in economically depressed areas;
- SECTION 4. To assist said residents and groups in developing successful entrepreneurial and business enterprises; to assist said residents and groups in obtaining financial support from other sources; and to provide business incubator assistance to small business owners.
- SECTION 5. To encourage the development of or retention of an industry in the community or area, to promote the creation and retention of commercial and industrial jobs, to provide job skills training for local residents and thereby lessening the burdens of government and acting in the public interest, and any one or more districts, counties, cities, of the state, or any combination thereof; and to provide opportunities to increase capital investment in low income, distressed or blighted areas.
- SECTION 6. To expand opportunities available to said residents and groups to obtain adequate low cost housing accommodations by constructing, rehabilitating, and providing decent, safe and sanitary housing for persons and families who are homeless or of low to moderate income who otherwise would not be able to find or afford a suitable place to live;
- SECTION 7. To help relieve the poor, distressed, underprivileged and indigent by enabling them to secure the basic human needs of decent shelter and to thus lessen the burdens of government and promote the social welfare;
- SECTION 8. To provide such housing through rehabilitation of existing substandard buildings and construction of new facilities in the place of blighted structures or blighted vacant sites for the purpose of combating the deterioration of the community and contributing to its physical improvement.
- SECTION 9. To contract, lease, buy, acquire or sell real estate and/or real property by any lawful method for housing and commercial business purposes and to conduct business on intangibles.
- SECTION 10. To manage real property in order to provide affordable housing for low and moderate income households.
- SECTION 11. To contract with, form joint ventures with, or otherwise deal with the owners, developers, managers or other principals of housing projects in any manner that enhances or perpetuates their affordability for low and moderate income households.
- SECTION 12. To enter into contracts or any other agreements with public agencies for the purpose of assisting by any lawful method in the implementation of their affordable housing strategies and historic preservation plans.
- SECTION 13. To borrow or otherwise receive funds or personal or real property, by gift, grant or by any other lawful method, for the purpose of carrying out the Corporation's purpose including financing the Corporation's housing projects.

ARTICLE IV

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is:

The initial directors shall be persons named in the Articles of Incorporation. They shall serve until the 1st annual meeting of the Board of Directors. During the 1st annual meeting the directors shall be elected by vote of the members.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Sarah Wilkes Director 2800 NW 56th Ave., Apt. H107 Lauderhill, Florida 33313

Roman Wilkes Director 2800 NW 56th Ave., Apt. H107 Lauderhill, Florida 33313

Agnes Jarrett Director

701 NE 41st Street, Apt. A Pompano, Florida 33064

Bernadine Thomas Director

2800 NW 56th Ave., Apt. H306 Lauderhill, Florida 33313

ARTICLE V

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent are:

Sarah Wilkes
City of Refuge
Community Development Corporation
2800 NW 56th Avenue, Apt. H107
Lauderhill, Florida 33313

ARTICLE VI

The names and addresses of the incorporators to these Articles of incorporation are as follows:

NAME

ADDRESS

Sarah Wilkes

2800 NW 56th Ave., Apt. 107 Lauderhill, Florida 33313

Roman Wilkes

2800 NW 56th Ave., Apt. 107 Lauderhill, Florida 33313

Agnes Jarrett

701 NE 41st Street, Apt. A Pompano, Florida 33064

Bernadine Thomas

2800 NW 56th Avenue, Apt. H306 Lauderhill, Florida 33313

ARTICLE VII

The duration of this corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE VIII

This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (i) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), or (ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

ARTICLE IX

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall this corporation 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.

ARTICLE X

To the fullest extent then permitted by the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, the Corporation may indemnify and hold harmless each director or other employee of the Corporation, (including, for this purpose, any person who may serve at the Corporation's request in any capacity with respect to any employee benefit plan maintained or contributed to by the Corporation) against and from all loss, cost and reasonable expenses hereafter incurred by the employee in the payment, settlement and defense of any civil or criminal claim, action or proceeding (including appeals) brought or threatened against the employee as such director, officer or other employee(s). Any rights of indemnification and exoneration accruing under this Article shall apply whether or not such person continues to be a director or officer or other employee at the time any such loss, cost or expense is suffered or incurred.

ARTICLE XI

To the extent permitted by the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, the Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was such an officer, director or employee, against any liability incurred by him in such capacity, or arising out his status as such whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify the employee against such liability.

ARTICLE XII

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable, public and educational purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. The corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay other person for any loss incurred by it under or by reason of such contract or transaction, nor shall any such director or member be accountable for any gains or profits realized thereon.

ARTICLE XIII

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, all debts and liabilities of this corporation of whatsoever kind and nature, shall be distributed to one or more counties, cities, towns within the territory designated in Article III, Section 1 of these Articles of Incorporation as the territory in which its operations are principally to be conducted which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, public and educational purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE XIV

This corporation shall have one class of members as follows: an individual or organization that subscribes to the purposes and basic policies of the corporation and whose admission will contribute to the corporation's ability to carry out its charitable and public purposes, shall be eligible for membership on approval of the membership application by the board of directors and on timely payment of such dues and fees as the board may fix from time to time. No person shall hold more than one membership. Members must be 18 years of age or older and either reside or work in the Broward County geographic boundaries designated in Article III, Section 1 of these Articles of Incorporation.

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