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RE: The Next Step Foundation, Inc.

Dear Division of Corporations:

Enclosed herewith for filing please find the original Articles of Incorporation and the (1) duplicate for the above named new corporation.

Also enclosed is a check payable to your order for the following:

Filing Fee	\$35.00	-
Certificate Under Seal	8.75	
Designation of Registered Agent	<u>35.00</u>	
0 0	\$78.75	

Please return the Certificate Under Seal to me at your earliest convenience in the enclosed self addressed stamped envelope.

Should you require anything further to facilitate this filing please contact me at the above noted address. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Karen Brown Gattozzi

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE NEXT STEP FOUNDATION, INC.

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 51 Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I. CORPORATE NAME

The name of this corporation is THE NEXT STEP FOUNDATION, INC.

ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be 1109 South Congress Avenue, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406.

ARTICLE III. PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is to generate and receive charitable gifts, bequests and donations for distribution to persons recovering from addiction who are in need of financial support and rehabilitation.

ARTICLE IV. DIRECTORS

The method of election of the directors of the corporation is set forth in the bylaws. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of three (3) members. The names and addresses of the members of the initial Board of Directors are:

Joan Porter	 P.O. Box 4309 Tequesta, FL 33469
Carol Bassinger	431 Edinburgh Drive Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418

Jane Fingo

300 Beach Road, #208 Tequesta, FL 33469

ARTICLE V. REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office is 1109 South Congress Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33406 and the name of the initial registered agent at that address is Karen Brown Gattozzi. The name and street address of the incorporator for these Articles of Incorporation is Karen Brown Gattozzi, 1109 South Congress Avenue, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on this the 4 day of October, 1999.

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Karen Brown Gattozzi, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PALM BEACH

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this <u>4</u> day of October, 1999 by the above named Karen Brown Gattozzi, Incorporator.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the Registered Office/Registered Agent , in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is:

THE NEXT STEP FOUNDATION, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:___

Karen Brown Gattozzi

1109 South Congress Avenue

West Palm Beach, Florida 33406

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

day of October, 1999. Executed this _4 Karen Brown Gattozzi