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### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Office of the Secretary of State Corporations Division 148 W. River Street Providence, Rhode Island 02904-2615

### **NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

# **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

| The specific purpose or  To serve people of to: preserve yout | Perpetual  is (if perpetual, so state)  purposes for which the corporation is organized are:  of diverse cultures that forges unity towards one common goal; which, families and build strong communities through educational, ecreational opportunities. |         |          |
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| Provisions, if any, not incorporation for the regi            | inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in toulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:  |         | 4        |
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#### Certain Powers & Rights

- a. The Corporation may solicit and receive contributions of any sort for many and all sources and may receive and hold, in trust or otherwise, funds or other assets received by gift or bequest.
- b. The Corporation may provide advice, support, credit, funds, capital, gifts and all other lawful forms of assistance, financial and otherwise, to or for use in educational, housing or business enterprises owned or intended to be owned, by residents and groups in the Community.
- c. The Corporation may furnish management, administrative and other business advice, support, training and technical assistance to residents and groups in order to enable them to develop skills necessary to operate housing, education or business enterprise.
- d. The Corporation may conduct education and other efforts to eliminate prejudice and discrimination in housing, education, business and financial communities and foster the establishment of sound and constructive relationships between neighborhoods, educational institutions, businesses, financial communities, residents and groups seeking opportunities.
- e. The Corporation may engage in the activity of operating business ventures for the purpose of providing job training, employment, and managerial development opportunities to said residents and groups for the charitable purpose of furthering the economic development of the Community.
- f. The Corporation shall have no capital stock.
- g. No private property of any member shall be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extension whatsoever.
- h. The Board of Directors shall have the power to make, amend or repeal the By-laws to the extent permitted in the By-Laws.
- i. The Corporation may make contributions for the accomplishments of its purposes, in such amount as the Board of Directors determine to be reasonable to organization exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code as now in force or hereafter amended.
- j. No part of any net earning to the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any officer, director or member of the Corporation, or any private individual or be appropriated for any other purpose than the purpose of the Corporation as herein set forth. The Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation shall not conduct any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as now in force or hereafter amended.
- k. Each director and officer of the Corporation shall, in the performance of his duties, be fully protected in relying in good faith upon the books of accounts of the Corporation, written reports made to the Corporation by any of its officers or employees or by counsel, accountants, appraisers or other experts, or consultants selected with reasonable care by the Board of Directors, or upon other records of the Corporation.
- l. If any term or provision of these Articles of Incorporation is contrary to the law or otherwise invalid or unenforceable, it shall be deemed stricken here from and the remaining terms.

| 5. <sup>-</sup> | The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is                        |               |  | 122 Benefit St.   |  |  |  |
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| •.              | The address of the illitial registered office of the corporation is                       |               |  | (Street Address, <u>not</u> P.O. Box)                                       |  |  |  |
|                 | Pawtucket,  | , RI_         |  | , and the name of its initial registered agent at such                      |  |  |  |
|                 | (City/Town)   | . c 11.       | (Zip Code)   |   |  |  |  |
|                 | address is  | enniefer Hi   | r Hightower (Name of Agent)                                  |   |  |  |  |
|                 |   |               |  | 4   |  |  |  |
| 6. ·            | The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is |               |  |   |  |  |  |
|                 | and the names and addresses of  | f the persons | who are to serve   | (not less than three directors) e as the initial directors are:             |  |  |  |
|                 |   |               |  | Address   |  |  |  |
|                 | <u>Name</u>   |               |  | <u> Address</u>   |  |  |  |
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|                 | Jenniefer Hightower   |               | 25 King Phi  | lip Rd., Pawtucket, RI  |  |  |  |
|                 | Samuel Hightower  |               |  | lip Rd., Pawtucket, RI  |  |  |  |
|                 | Wanda Jones   |               | <del></del>  | ill St., Mattapan, MA   |  |  |  |
|                 | Kim Stubbs  |               | 28 Foster St   | ., Pawtucket, RI  |  |  |  |
|                 |   |               |  |   |  |  |  |
| 7.              | The name and address of each incorporator is:   |               |  |   |  |  |  |
|                 | <u>Name</u>   |               |  | Address   |  |  |  |
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|                 | Jenniefer Hightower   |               | 25 King Philip Rd., Pawtucket, RI                            |   |  |  |  |
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|                 |   |               | Octo   | bber 21, 2009   |  |  |  |
| 8.              | Date when corporate existence i   | is to begin _ | (not prior to, nor   | more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)     |  |  |  |
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|                 |   |               | Under pe   | enalty of perjury, I/we declare and affirm that I/we                        |  |  |  |
|                 | October 20, 2009  |               | have examined these Articles of Incorporation, including any |   |  |  |  |
|                 |   |               |  | nying attachments, and that all statements contained<br>e true and correct. |  |  |  |
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|                 |   |               | 1  | Signature of each Incorporator  |  |  |  |
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I, A. RALPH MOLLIS, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, hereby certify that this document, duly executed in accordance with the provisions of Title 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended, has been filed in this office on this day:

A. RALPH MOLLIS

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Secretary of State

