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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
NONPROFIT CORPORATION

Pursuant to §55A-10-05 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the undersigned corporation hereby submits the following Articles of Amendment for the purpose of amending its Articles of Incorporation.

1. The name of the corporation is: The Brotherhood of Excellence Academy

2. The text of each amendment adopted is as follows (*state below or attach*):

See attachment

3. The date of adoption of each amendment was as follows: February 8, 2024

4. (*Check a, b, and/or c, as applicable*)

a. The amendment(s) was (were) approved by a sufficient vote of the board of directors or incorporators, and member approval was not required because (*set forth a brief explanation of why member approval was not required*)

Our organization does not have members

b. The amendment(s) was (were) approved by the members as required by Chapter 55A.

c. Approval of the amendment(s) by some person or persons other than the members, the board, or the incorporators was required pursuant to N.C.G.S. §55A-10-30, and such approval was obtained.

5. These articles will be effective upon filing, unless a date and/or time is specified: _____

This the 22 day of February, 2024.

The Brotherhood of Excellence Academy

Name of Corporation	
DocuSigned by: <i>Dr. Chameeka N. Smith</i>	
416FDBC61F46486...	Signature
Dr. Chameeka N. Smith	Executive Director/Founder
Type or Print Name and Title	

Notes:

1. Filing fee is \$25. This document and one exact or conformed copy of these articles must be filed with the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE OF CORPORATION AMENDMENT

THE BROTHERHOOD OF EXCELLENCE ACADEMY

Pursuant to the provisions of the North Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Act, the undersigned corporation adopts the following amendment to its Articles of Incorporation:

1. The name of the corporation is: The Brotherhood of Excellence Academy.
2. The amendment is being made to remove religious references and update the purpose of the corporation.

The corporation seeks to expand its reach and impact by removing religious references from its purpose, ensuring a more inclusive and diverse environment for all individuals.

The current bylaws reflecting the current purpose of the organization as listed below inclusive of the suggested corrections:

Section 2. Purpose

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

- 1) The corporation is a non-profit public charter school organized and operated under the North Carolina Public School System, Chapter 115C of the North Carolina General Statutes.
- 2) ~~Teach and preach the gospel to all people, conduct evangelistic activities, license and ordain ministers of the gospel, provide religious, charitable and humanitarian services~~ To teach, train and develop leadership principles among students, families, communities and stakeholders of and with the organization, providing educational, charitable and humanitarian services to the State of North Carolina.
- 3) To equip and serve male youth of the ~~eastern region of~~ State of North Carolina to discover and fulfill their authentic destiny.
- 4) To be a ~~faith-based~~ community-based educational and development organization serving our local community and statewide by engaging in a broad range of strategies that promote education and leadership development
- 5) To operate exclusively for charitable and educational ~~and religious~~ purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future U.S. Internal Revenue Law (the "Code")
- 6) To engage in any lawful activity from which corporations may be organized under Chapter 55A of the General Statute of North Carolina, provided the Corporation does not engage in any activity not furtherance of one or more tax exempt purpose as contemplated in section 501(c)(3) of the code.

The vision of the Brotherhood of Excellence Academy is every male will discover and fulfill their authentic destiny (Jeremiah 29:11)

The mission of the Brotherhood of Excellence Academy is to transform young men from traditionally underserved populations through a high quality, engaging, college preparatory program that results in closing the opportunity gap and graduates succeeding in college and life.

Mission Statement: Preparing males for Empowerment, Entrepreneurship. Enrollment, Enlistment, and Employment

3. The specific amendment to the Articles of Incorporation is as follows:
 - a. Section 2 - Purpose, shall be amended as follows:
 - The corporation is a non-profit public charter school organized and operated under the North Carolina Public School System, Chapter 115C of the North Carolina General Statutes.
 - To teach, train and develop leadership principles among students, families, communities and stakeholders of and with the organization, providing educational, charitable and humanitarian services to the State of North Carolina.
 - To equip and serve male youth of the State of North Carolina to discover and fulfill their authentic destiny.
 - To be a community-based educational and development organization serving our local community and statewide by engaging in a broad range of strategies that promote education and leadership development
 - To operate exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future U.S. Internal Revenue Law (the "Code")
 - To engage in any lawful activity from which corporations may be organized under Chapter 55A of the General Statute of North Carolina, provided the Corporation does not engage in any activity not furtherance of one or more tax exempt purpose as contemplated in section 501(c)(3) of the code.

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4. The amendment was authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the corporation, duly adopted on **February 8, 2024.**

- 5. The amendment has been approved by the Board of Directors of the corporation in accordance with the Bylaws of the corporation.
- 6. The amendment shall be effective upon filing with the Secretary of State of North Carolina.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation on behalf of the corporation.

Date of Execution: February 8, 2024

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[Board Chairperson]

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[Board Secretary]

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Tanesha Cameron-Cole

[Board Treasurer]

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[Executive Director/Founder]

Purpose of Corporation

This corporation is organized for the following purpose(s) (*check as applicable*):

- religious,
- charitable,
- educational,
- testing for public safety,
- scientific,
- literary,
- fostering national or international amateur sports competition, and/or
- prevention of cruelty to children or animals,

including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (herein the "Code") (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).

Prohibited Activities

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of purposes set forth in these articles of incorporation. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

Distributions Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, educational, scientific or literary purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code as the Board of Directors shall determine, or to federal, state, or local governments to be used exclusively for public purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Superior Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, such as the court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes, or to such governments for such purposes.