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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
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Pursuant to the provisions of Act 162, Public Acts of 1982, the undersigned corporation executes the following Articles:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is:	Kalamazoo Collective Housing
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ARTICLE II

The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are: Attached.

ARTICLE III

1. The corporation is organized upon a <u>Nonstock</u> basis. (Stock or Nonstock)
2. If organized on a stock basis, the total number of shares which the corporation has authority to issue is _____ . If the shares are, or are to be, divided into classes, the designation of each class, the number of shares in each class, and the relative rights, preferences and limitations of the shares of each class are as follows:

AGD

Use space below for additional Articles or for continuation of previous Articles. Please identify any Article being continued or added. Attach additional pages if needed.

I, (We), the incorporator(s) sign my (our) name(s) this 3 day of March, 2007.

Neil G...
[Signature]

Article 2

- A. Kalamazoo Collective Housing is a non-profit public benefit corporation which is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the nonprofit public benefit corporation law for public and charitable purposes. The specific purposes for which this corporation is organized are:
1. To promote the social and general welfare of the community by offering low-cost housing, regardless of gender, race, creed, national origin and thus influence the community to eliminate prejudice and discrimination in housing.
 2. To advance the cause of education by providing inexpensive board and lodging for college and university students with limited resources, so that those who might not otherwise be able to continue at the school because of economic need, may enjoy the fruits and the benefits of higher education.
 3. To initiate, coordinate, direct, and engage the community and its members in educational efforts and programs in the philosophy, principles and practices of all cooperatives.
 4. To initiate, coordinate, direct, and engage the community and its members in educational efforts and programs in the philosophy, principles and practices of ecologically sustainable living.
 5. To relieve the government of the State of Michigan from the burden of building and operating state-owned dormitories by creating housing facilities for students at low cost on a cooperative basis; and to continually expand and extend those facilities in the community interest.
- B. To further the primary purposes of this organization, this corporation shall be empowered to, but not limited to, do the following:
1. Own, lease, and operate houses, dormitories, dwelling units, residence halls, boarding units, and similar facilities.
 2. Do all those things expedient and necessary for the furtherance of the primary purposes of the organization.
- C. This corporation may not engage in, otherwise than as an insubstantial part of its activities, any activities which are not in the furtherance of its exempt purposes.

Article 7

- A. The mode of procedure and the manner in which the business and affairs of this corporation shall be conducted in accordance with the statutes of the State of Michigan.
- B. No part of the net earnings of this corporation will inure to the benefit of or be distributed to members, trustees, officers or other private individuals, except that the corporation shall be empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 2 hereof including, but not limited to partial refunds of room and board charges to any member upon determination that the member is entitled to such refunds. The corporation will not, as a substantial part of its activities attempt to influence legislation or participate to any extent in a political campaign for or against any candidate for public office.
- C. Only members in good standing or their duly appointed or elected representative shall be eligible to hold office as directors or officers of this corporation.
- D. The membership may, by a procedure to be established in the bylaws of this corporation, increase or decrease the number of directors, however that number shall not fall below the legal minimum required by the State of Michigan. The membership may, by a procedure to be established, recall any director at any time and replace that director by a person who better suits the needs of the membership. There shall be elections for the board of directors at regular intervals.
- E. Voluntary dissolution of this corporation shall require approval of at least three-fourths (3/4) of the membership in good standing of the corporation, voting in person and not by proxy.
In the event of dissolution of this corporation:
1. No part of the assets of this corporation shall accrue to, or be distributed to, or among its members.
 2. The assets of this corporation shall be divided and distributed among organizations which are exempt within Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or exempt within the successor to Section 501(c)(3) as in the judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction will best accomplish the purposes for which the corporation was organized. The following suggestions are made to assist the court in its determination:
 - a. The assets of this corporation shall be given to the North American Students of Cooperation (NASCO), P.O. Box 7715, Ann Arbor, MI, 48107.
 - b. In the event that both NASCO is ineligible to receive the assets of this corporation, they shall be distributed to an organization designed to promote the development of educational cooperative housing.