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### Core Values & Principles

Our values are deeply rooted in our Islamic identity. Our Mission, Vision, Values, and Beliefs help define the character of our organization. Our values expand on our Mission and help us define our priorities.

#### 1-Godliness (Rabbaniyyah)

Ours is a purely Islamic movement, in every sense of the word. We strive to understand Islam according to the Qur'an and the teachings of the Messenger of Allah (May Allah bestow upon him His blessings and peace). We endeavor to practice the teachings of Islam with integrity and sincerity in our private lives and in our collective work. We advocate the values and principles of Islam for the benefit of all people.

#### 2-Just Balance (Wasatiyyah)

Islam is rightly balanced as revealed by Allah and as practiced by the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him). We adhere to the balanced understanding and application of Islam as practiced by the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him), and as revived in the understanding and the methodology of Imam Hassan Al Banna.

#### 3-Comprehensiveness (Shumooliyyah)

Islam is universal and comprehensive in its scope, and gradual in its approach. While every area of Islamic work is within our scope, we focus on our priorities. Our main priority is to serve in the United States where we can be most effective.

#### 4-Positive Citizenship

A heart that is God-conscious is full of compassion; we care for all people, Muslims and people of other faiths. We are full participants in the dynamics of our American society where we positively contribute.

We work together to serve our community, our country and all of mankind; we serve the Creator by serving His creation.

#### 5-Justice

Justice is an attribute of Allah and is among the highest Islamic values. We uphold and advocate justice for everyone out of our deep commitment to it, even under difficult circumstances and even against ourselves. We insist on the highest levels of integrity in everything we do.

#### 6-Development

To achieve our mission, we must continually develop as individuals and as a society of people dedicated to working in the way of Allah. This development is spiritual, intellectual and physical. We must be ambitious, yet practical, never losing focus of our objectives.

### 7-Cooperation

We value brotherhood, unity, cooperation, and partnership. We cooperate with others in matters on which we agree and excuse each other in the matters on which we disagree. Organized dedicated collective work is necessary to attain great goals.

### 8-Diversity

Allah has not created all people the same, and this diversity enriches our community. We do not only tolerate, but rather appreciate and value diversity. We believe that there is intrinsic value in every person. Unity becomes all the more important and beautiful in the light of the wide ranges of difference in social status, gender, age, personality, culture, race, talent, and perspective.

### 9-Commitment

Great goals require great effort. Success in our mission requires steadfastness of purpose, discipline, compliance and perseverance. It is a struggle, the road is long and challenging, it is the way of the Messengers and those who follow them, it is the path of excellence, Ihsaan, that is most pleasing to Allah.