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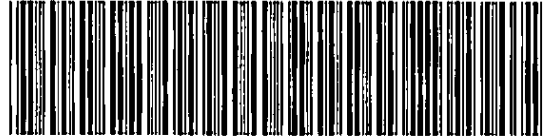
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EAST BRADENTON CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC.

December 8, 2022

Amendment Section  
Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: East Bradenton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Inc.  
Document Number: N11553  
Restated Articles of Incorporation

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are an original and one copy of the Restated Articles of Incorporation and a check in the amount of \$35 for the filing fee. My contact information is as follows:

Todd Berkley  
204 Amsterdam Drive  
Ellenton, FL 34222

Telephone: 941-209-0713  
Email Address: toddtinab@gmail.com

Thank you for assisting us with this matter.

Yours very truly,



Todd Berkley

Enclosures: Original Restated Articles of Incorporation  
Duplicate of Restated Articles of Incorporation  
Payment check # 1266

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION  
RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
EAST BRADENTON CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC.**

Pursuant to Florida Statutes § 617.1007, the undersigned, constituting a majority of the Board of Directors of East Bradenton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Inc. (the "Corporation"), hereby certify:

I. The name of the Corporation is East Bradenton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Inc.

II. The Original Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation were filed on or about October 14, 1985 (the "Original Articles").

III. These Restated Articles of Incorporation, which supersede the Original Articles, have been adopted and approved pursuant to Florida Statutes § 617.1002 by a majority vote of the Corporation's members at a Corporation members' meeting held on December 8, 2022, and there is no discrepancy between the Original Articles of Incorporation and these Restated Articles of Incorporation other than the inclusion of amendments adopted pursuant to Florida Statutes 617.1002.

IV. The Corporation's Restated Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

**RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S. (Not for Profit)  
**OF**  
**EAST ENGLISH CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES,**  
**BRADENTON, FLORIDA, INC.**

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the Corporation is EAST ENGLISH CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, BRADENTON, FLORIDA, INC.

**ARTICLE II**

The principal office and mailing address of the Corporation is 2109 57th Street East, Bradenton, FL 34208.

**ARTICLE III**

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are religious and specifically (1) to provide and maintain a proper place of worship for the benefit of Jehovah's Witnesses in and around the State of Florida and those who desire to attend such worship conducted by Jehovah's

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Witnesses in order to learn the truths of the faith and beliefs Of Jehovah's Witnesses, which are based upon the Bible, the written word of Almighty God, Jehovah; and (2) to acquire by gift, legacy, bequest, purchase, or lease; hold and manage; and/or mortgage, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of real estate and personal property in any lawful manner that may seem proper and best to provide and maintain such place of worship.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

#### **ARTICLE V**

The number of directors shall be three. Directors' qualifications, the manner of electing directors, and other matters pertaining to directors shall be as provided in the bylaws. To the extent permitted by law, no director, officer, or member of the Corporation shall be personally liable for any debts, liabilities, or obligations of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

The corporation shall have members. The number of members, members' qualifications, and other matters pertaining to members shall be as provided in the bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

The property of this Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes, and no part of the net earnings or assets of this Corporation shall inure to the benefit of a director, officer, or member of the Corporation or any private individual. No substantial part of the activities of this Corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall this Corporation participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office. This Corporation is organized exclusively for religious purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States tax code) or (2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States tax code).

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

Upon the winding up and dissolution of this Corporation, after paying or adequately providing for debts and obligations of the Corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc. No assets will be deemed to be received by Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc., until such acceptance is evidenced in writing. If Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc., is not then in existence and exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States tax code), then said

assets shall be distributed to any organization designated by the ecclesiastical Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses that is organized and operated for religious purposes and is a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding section of any future United States tax code).

**ARTICLE IX**

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

Robert Fredrich      7062 Strand Circle, Bradenton, FL 34203.

**Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.**

Robert & Fredrich  
Robert Fredrich, Registered Agent

12/8/22  
Date

**I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that the false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third-degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.**

Dated as of this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

Todd Berkley  
Todd Berkley, President

Robert & Fredrich  
Robert Fredrich, Secretary

Anthony Wynter  
Anthony Wynter, Treasurer

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