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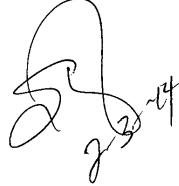
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Bridgeway Sa	arasota, Inc.		
UBJECT:(P	ROPOSED CORPORA	TE NAME – <u>MUST INCLUI</u>	DE SUFFIX)
closed is an original and o	one (1) copy of the Ar	ticles of Incorporation and	a check for:
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matt@bridgewaysarasota.com

4545 N Lake Drive

Sarasota, FL 34232

607-329-4512

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION BRIDGEWAYSARASOTA

ARTICLE !

Bridgeway Sarasota

1.1 The name of the church is **Bridgeway Sarasota**, **Inc.**, hereinafter referred to as "the Church".

ARTICLE II Period of Existence

2.1 The period during which the Church shall continue is perpetual.

ARTICLE III Purpose

- **3.1** The Church is organized and shall be operated exclusively for religious, educational and charitable purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
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- **3.4** To hold and maintain certain real property, personalty, and other financial assets and ecclesiastical fixtures, of any and every kind and description appropriate to and serving its mission, in order to advance it's religious, educational and charitable purposes.
- **3.5** To otherwise promote and develop any other type of religious or charitable work within the limits and restrictions provided by or under the laws of the State of Florida or any other lawful authority not in conflict therewith.

ARTICLE IV Powers and Provisions

- **4.1** The property of this Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious, educational, and charitable purposes, as set forth above, and no part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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 the purposes set forth in these Articles of Incorporation.
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Church Planter/Lead Pastor

Sarasota, FL 34232

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