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RE: The Light of The World Charities, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find original Articles of Incorporation for THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD CHARITIES which has been properly signed and notarized, along with 2 copies and a check from Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in the amount of \$78.75. Please file the Articles of Incorporation and return a certified copy to this office in the envelope provided.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

  
F. SHIELDS MCMANUS

FSM/bf  
Enclosures

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Pursuant to the provisions of Section 617.01201 of the Florida Statutes, the undersigned incorporator adopts the following ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD CHARITIES, INC.:

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD CHARITIES, INC.**

ARTICLE I - ORGANIZATION

This corporation is organized as a nonprofit corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act (Florida Statutes Chapter 617) and as a tax exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE II - NAME

The name of the corporation is THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD CHARITIES, INC.

ARTICLE III - DURATION

The corporation shall have perpetual duration and succession in its corporate name.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

The corporation shall have no members.

ARTICLE V - PURPOSES

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are as follows:

- A. To raise and distribute funding and other aid to those providing health

care to the poor and sick of the world, consistent with the command of Christ, the Light of the World, to do for the least of my brethren.

- B. To receive, maintain, and accept as assets of the corporation, any property, whether real, personal, or mixed, by way of gift, bequest, devise, or purchase from any person, firm, trust, or corporation, to be held, administered, and disposed of exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of these articles of incorporation; but no gift, bequest, devise, or purchase of any such property shall be received or made and accepted if it is conditioned or limited in such manner as shall require the disposition of income or principal to any organization other than a "charitable organization" or for any purposes other than "charitable purposes" which would jeopardize the status of the corporation as an entity exempt from federal income tax pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended; and
- C. To exclusively promote and carry on any other religious, charitable, or educational purposes and activities for which corporations may be organized and operated under the relevant provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act (Florida Statutes, Chapter 617).

#### ARTICLE VI - GENERAL POWERS

Except as hereinafter provided, the corporation shall have all powers necessary or convenient to carry out its purposes, including the powers now or hereafter enumerated in the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act (Florida Statutes, Chapter 617).

#### ARTICLE VII - LIMITATIONS ON POWERS

The powers and activities of the corporation shall be limited as follows:

- A. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to any of its members, trustees, 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 the 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 any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

- B. Anything contained in these articles of incorporation to the contrary notwithstanding, the corporation shall not carry on or otherwise engage in any activities not permitted to be carried on or engaged in by: (1) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or any corresponding section of any future tax code; (2) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or any corresponding section of any future tax code; or (3) a corporation organized and existing under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act (Florida Statutes, Chapter 617).

#### ARTICLE VIII - DISSOLUTION/LIQUIDATION

In the event of the dissolution and liquidation of this corporation, to the extent allowed or permitted under applicable laws, the property and assets of the corporation shall be, as determined by the Board of Directors, distributed to or sold and the proceeds of such sales distributed to any other organization(s) organized and operating for the same purposes for which the corporation is organized and operating or any organization(s), foundation(s), fund(s), or corporation(s) organized and operating exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, educational, or other purposes permitted by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, all of which such organizations, foundations, funds, or corporations shall be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code, as amended. In the event that any assets are not disposed of in accordance with the provisions of these articles of incorporation or that the corporation shall fail to act within a reasonable time in the manner provided in these articles of incorporation, a proper Court of Martin County shall, upon application of one or more persons having a real interest in the corporation or its assets, make such distribution(s) as provided in these articles of incorporation.

#### ARTICLE X - DIRECTORS

The number of directors of the corporation and the method of their election

shall be as provided in the bylaws. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors shall be three (3) and the names and addresses of the persons who shall serve as directors until their successors shall be elected and qualified are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Rev. Bernard F. Powell	Post Office Box 916 Palm City, FL 34991
Theresa Banks	5272 SW Landing Creek Drive Palm City, FL 34990
Ronald Walks	1232 Sea Hawk Way Palm City, FL 34990

#### ARTICLE X - REGISTERED OFFICE AND ADDRESS

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office is 1232 Sea Hawk Way, Palm City, FL 34990, and the name of its initial registered agent at that office is Ronald Walks. The mailing address of the corporation is Post Office Box 273, Palm City, FL 34991.

#### ARTICLE XI - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is: F. Shields McManus, 221 E., Osceola Street, Stuart, FL 34994.

#### ARTICLE XII - IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL LIABILITY

Directors and officers of the corporation shall not personally be liable to the corporation for monetary damages for breach of any duties to the corporation, except to the extent that such liability arises: (1) for any breach of the director's or officer's duty of loyalty to the corporation; (2) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (3) for any transaction from which a director or officer derived an improper personal economic benefit; or (4) under Section 617.0834 of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act (Florida Statutes, Chapter 617).

ARTICLE XIII - INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify any officer, director, employee, or agent, and any former officer, director, employee or agent to the full extent permitted by law.

Signed and dated this 10 day of April, 1999.

INCORPORATOR

F. Shields McManus  
F. SHIELDS McMANUS

DIRECTORS

Rev. Bernard F. Powell  
Rev. BERNARD F. POWELL

Theresa Banks  
THERESA BANKS

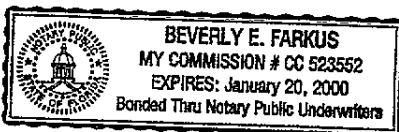
Ronald F. Walks  
RONALD WALKS

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF MARTIN

BEFORE ME personally appeared F. SHIELDS McMANUS, who is personally known to me or who has produced a valid Drivers License as identification and who did not take an oath, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 10 day of April, 1999.

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Beverly E. Farkus  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF FLORIDA AT LARGE

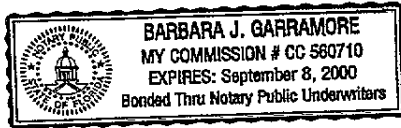
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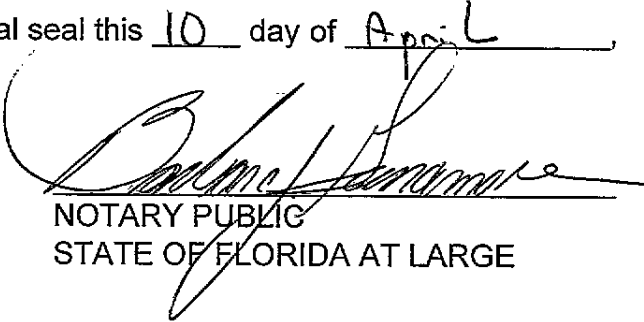
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BEFORE ME personally appeared Rev. BERNARD F. POWELL, who is personally known to me or who has produced a valid Drivers License as identification and who did not take an oath, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 10 day of April,  
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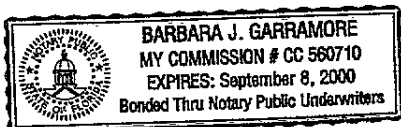
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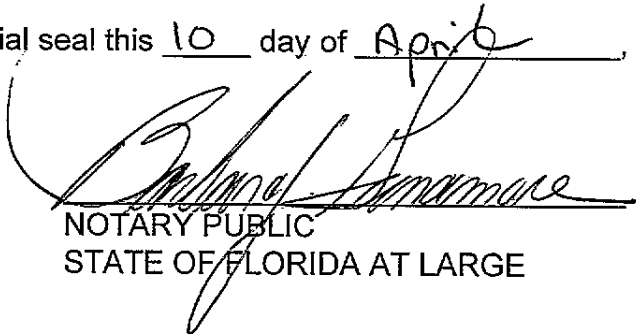
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BEFORE ME personally appeared THERESA BANKS, who is personally known to me or who has produced a valid Drivers License as identification and who did not take an oath, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and she acknowledged before me that she executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 10 day of April,  
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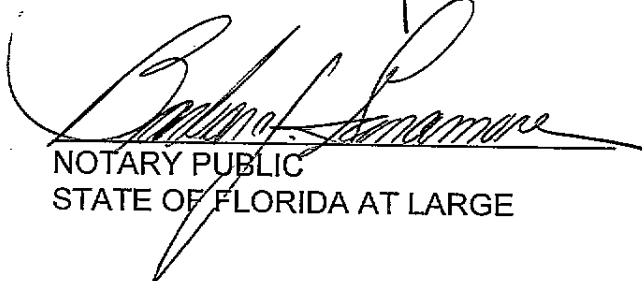
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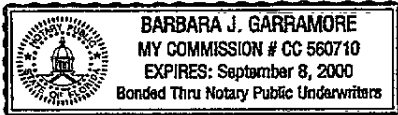
BEFORE ME personally appeared RONALD WALKS, who is personally known to me or who has produced a valid Drivers License as identification and who did not take an oath, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 10 day of April,  
1999.

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STATE OF FLORIDA AT LARGE

Printed Name of Notary





**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE  
FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE,  
NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD CHARITIES, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation in the County of Martin, State of Florida, has named RONALD WALKS, whose address is 1232 Sea Hawk Way, Palm City, FL 34990, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

DATED: April 10, 1999

F. Shields McManus  
F. SHIELDS McMANUS, INCORPORATOR

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Having been named as the registered agent for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida relative to keeping said office open.

DATED: 10 Apr 99

Ronald Walks  
RONALD WALKS, REGISTERED AGENT

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