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# Trinity Community Church

November 15, 2002

Amendment Section
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P.O. Box 6327
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Enclosed you will find the Articles of Restatement of Trinity Community Church of Deerfield Beach, Inc. and a check for \$35 for the filing fee and \$8.75 for one certified copy. Date of adoption was November 14, 2002.

Return address:

Gerda Creelman

Trinity Community Church

841 SE 2<sup>nd</sup>. Court

Deerfield Beach, FL 33441 (954) 427-3045

### ARTICLES OF RESTATEMENT OF

#### TRINITY COMMUNITY CHURCH OF DEERFIELD BEACH, INC.

The undersigned, as <u>Thre President</u> of Trinity Community Church of Deerfield Beach, Inc. (the "Corporation"), a Florida not-for-profit corporation, hereby certifies that the attached Restated Articles of Incorporation were duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation and that said Restated Articles of Incorporation do not contain any amendments to the Articles of Incorporation requiring approval of the members of the Corporation.

Dated this 14 day of November, 2002.

Signature

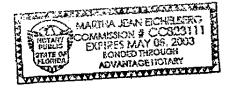
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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF BROWARD

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _1	4 day of November
2002, by Gerta Creelman, as Vice Hes. o	f <sup>†</sup> TRIN <u>IT</u> Y COMMUNITY
CHURCH OF DEERFIELD BEACH, INC., a Florida not-for-profit of	corporation. He/She is
personally known to me or has produced	as identification and
did take an oath.	^

My Commission Expires:



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## RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF TRINITY COMMUNITY CHURCH OF DEERFIELD BEACH, INC.

#### ARTICLE I

Name: The name of the corporation is TRINITY COMMUNITY CHURCH OF DEERFIELD BEACH, INC. (the "Corporation" or the "Church").

#### ARTICLE II

**Principal Office:** The principal office and the mailing address of this Corporation shall be 841 S.E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Court, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33441.

#### **ARTICLE III**

Purpose For Which Organized: This Corporation is being organized as a non-profit corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of worshiping God, preaching and teaching the Bible; for the purpose of instructing and inspiring all the members of this Society to Christian living, for the purpose of activating all the principles and pronouncements set forth in The Constitution of the Reformed Church in America; to purchase, own, hold, lease and acquire, either by gift, grant, bequest, devise or otherwise, land or lands, building or buildings for a Church, Sanctuary and Bible School or other useful purposes in connection with this organization to the extent as may be permitted and allowed under the laws of the State of Florida; and to buy, build, own or construct such building or buildings for a Church, Sanctuary and Bible School or other useful purposes where the members of this Corporation may meet and discuss matters of mutual interest; to purchase furniture and equipment for said Church, Sanctuary, and Bible School, or other useful buildings, and to raise funds for said purposes among the members of this Corporation and other persons who wish to contribute, and to do other things necessary and proper for the proper and successful operation of a religious society of this nature, including the power to borrow money and pledge its property, both real and personal, as security therefor. Such church is and at all times shall be a "local church" as such term is defined in the Reformed Church in America Book of Church Order (as the same may be amended from time to time).

In furtherance of the foregoing purpose, this Corporation may, among other things, print, publish and circulate tracts, leaflets, religious periodicals and books; support missionaries and ministers of the Gospel, both at home and abroad; cooperate with other religious bodies in advancing the Word of God on Earth; and do all other things in connection therewith as may be convenient or necessary to carry on the work of God on Earth. In no event whatsoever shall this Corporation, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purpose of this Corporation.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained anywhere in these Articles of Incorporation, this Corporation is a member church in the Reformed Church in America, is and at all times shall be subject to and governed in accordance with *The Constitution* of the Reformed Church in America, and agrees that the provisions of this Article III shall not be amended or modified in any manner without the prior written consent of the Classis of which this Church is a member.

#### ARTICLE IV

Management of Corporation Affairs: The business affairs of this Corporation are to be managed by a board of directors (the "Board") comprised of Deacons and Elders of the Church who shall be elected or appointed as provided in the By-Laws of the Corporation. The number of directors on the Board and the composition thereof shall be as established from time to time in the By-Laws, but in no event shall the Board be comprised of less than four (4) directors. The property of the Corporation, real and personal, shall be directly under control of the Board which shall have the power to authorize the purchase or sale of any property, real or personal owned or to be owned by this Corporation, and the power to authorize the mortgaging, pledging and/or encumbering of the same. The power, authority and duties of the Board shall otherwise be in accordance with the principles and pronouncements set forth in *The Constitution* of the Reformed Church in America and as provided in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

The Corporation shall have a President (who shall always be the installed Pastor), a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be established from time to time pursuant to the By-Laws of the Corporation. Such officers shall be appointed by the Board at a regular meeting of said Board for such term as the Corporation may provide by its By-Laws. The President and the Secretary of the Corporation shall also serve as the Chairman and Secretary, respectively, of the Board.

#### ARTICLE V

Qualifications of Members and Manner of Admission: Only those persons may be received as members of this Corporation in full communion who have made a confession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ before the minister, if any, and the elders, or who have satisfactory certificates of their membership in full communion of some evangelical church. The names of all persons who have been received as members shall be published to the Church, and they shall be registered as regular members. Membership in this Corporation, and the rights, privileges, duties and obligations of members of this Corporation, shall be as established from time to time in *The Constitution* of the Reformed Church in America.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

Operational Limitations: Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, this Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (i) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code or (ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### ARTICLE VII

Officer, Director, Employee and Member Exemptions: This Corporation agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless its officers, directors and employees from and against any claims arising out of actions (other than gross negligence or willful misconduct) undertaken by them on behalf of the Church. All private property of the incorporators, officers, directors, and members of this Corporation shall be forever exempt from the debts of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE VIII

By-Laws of the Corporation: The regulation of the internal affairs of the Corporation, except as provided in these Articles, shall be established and fixed by the By-Laws of this Corporation as adopted, amended or rescinded by the Board of this Corporation upon at least a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the directors present at any duly called Board meeting.

#### ARTICLE IX

Amendment to Articles of Incorporation: Any director may propose an amendment to these Articles at a duly called meeting of the Board, and these Articles may be amended by the Board upon at least a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the directors present at any duly called Board meeting; provided, written notice of the proposed amendment to these Articles shall be given to the directors at least one (1) month in advance of the vote on such amendment.

#### ARTICLE X

Legislative or Political Activities: No substantial part of the activities of this Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and this Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

#### ARTICLE XI

Inurement of Income: The property, assets, profits and net income of this Corporation are dedicated irrevocably to religious purposes, and no part of the assets, profits or net income of this Corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, trustee, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private individual. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, this Corporation may pay reasonable compensation to persons for services rendered by them, and may make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes of this Corporation.

#### ARTICLE XII

**Dissolution:** Upon the dissolution and winding up of this Corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of this Corporation, the remaining assets of this Corporation shall be distributed to and shall become vested in the Classis of the Reformed Church in America of which this Corporation is a member, so long as such Classis is a non-profit corporation organized and operated exclusively for charitable and religious purposes and has established its tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. If such Classis is not a non-profit corporation organized and operated exclusively for charitable and religious purposes or has not established its tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Code, then the remaining assets of this Corporation instead shall be distributed to and shall become vested in such other Classis or Classes of the Reformed Church in America as may be designated in writing by the highest assembly of the Reformed Church in America (which, as of the date upon which these Articles of Incorporation are adopted, is the General Synod). Any assets not disposed of in the manner prescribed by this Article shall be disposed of by the District Court of the county in which the principal office of this Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations as said court determines are consistent with the purpose of this Corporation.

#### ARTICLE XIII

**Term of Existence**: The term of existence of this Corporation shall be perpetual.

#### ARTICLE XIV

Registered Agent and Office: The name of the Registered Agent of the Corporation is Gerda Creelman and the street address of the registered office of the Corporation is 841 S.E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Court, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33441. The Board may from time to time change the registered office and the registered agent (or both) of this Corporation.

#### ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been designated to accept service of process of the above-stated Corporation, at the place set forth herein above, I hereby accept such designation and agree to act in such capacity and to comply with all provisions of Section 48.091, Florida Statutes.

GERDA CREELMAN