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To Whom it May Concern:

RE: Filing Amended Corporate Documents.

Please find hereto attached amended Articles for filing and a money order representing the fee of \$35.00.

Sincerely,



Maxwell P. Wright, Esq.
4445 Edgewater Drive
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**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF
INCORPORATION OF THE BARTOW FLORIDA CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S
WITNESSES, INC.
DOCUMENT NO. NO. 703897**

Pursuant to the provisions of Florida Statutes Section 617.1006, this Florida Non-Profit Corporation adopts the following amendments to its Articles of Incorporation and restates the following:

ARTICLE I.

The name of the corporation shall be: **BARTOW CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, BARTOW, FLORIDA, INC.** The principal place of business of this corporation shall be 1355 East Pinehurst Street, Bartow, Florida 33830.

ARTICLE II.

The existence and duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

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

ARTICLE V.

The property of this Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes, and no part of the 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 the 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 carry 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

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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 provisions of any future United States tax code).

ARTICLE VI

Upon winding up and dissolution of this Corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the Corporation, the Corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc. No assets shall 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 under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions 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 VII.

- A. The number of directors shall be three. The names and addresses of the initial directors are:

PTD

Volkman, William A., 2055 S. Floral Avenue #25, Bartow, FL 33830

VTD

Love, Dennis, 1130 Ivy Lane, Bartow, FL 33830

STD

Dominique, Robert, 4317 Tammy Lee Lane, Lakeland, FL 33813

- B. Directors' qualifications, the manner of electing directors and other matters pertaining to directors shall be as provided in the Bylaws.
- C. 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 VIII

The name and Florida Street address of the Registered Agent of the Corporation and the name of the Registered Agent at that address are:

NAME:
VOLKMANN, WILLIAM A.

STREET ADDRESS:
2055 S. Floral Avenue, #25
Bartow, FL 33830

ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS

No Members were entitled to vote on the Amendments and Restatement of Amendments, therefore the same is hereby adopted by the board of directors .

DATED this ____ day of January, 2013.

BARTOW CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, BARTOW FLORIDA, INC.

BY: _____
William A. Volkmann, PTD

BY: _____
Dennis Love, VTD

BY: _____
Robert Dominique, STD

VOLKMANN, WILLIAM A.

2055 S. Floral Avenue, #25
Bartow, FL 33830

ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS AND RESTATEMENTS:

The foregoing amendments to and restatements of the Articles of Incorporation of **BARTOW CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, BARTOW, FLORIDA, INC.**, were hereafter adopted by the Directors and members. The number of votes cast was sufficient for approval of said amendments. The amended and restated Articles are hereby retified and approved.

DATED this 17 day of January, 2013.

BARTOW CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, BARTOW FLORIDA, INC.

BY: William A. Volkmann
William A. Volkmann, PTD

BY: Dennis Love
Dennis Love, VTD

BY: Robert Dominique
Robert Dominique, STD