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CORPORATE RECORDS BUREAU

Division of Corporations
Florida Department of State
Post Office Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: First Baptist Church of Ft. Lauderdale, Inc.

Dear Sir/Madam:

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TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Enclosed please find original and copy of the executed Amended Articles of Incorporation for the First Baptist Church of Ft. Lauderdale, Inc. Further enclosed is our trust check payable to the Secretary of State in the amount of \$35.00 to cover the filing fee. We **WILL NOT** require a certified copy of the Articles at this time.

Please return to our office a copy of the Amended Articles as filed.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

ROGERS, MORRIS & ZIEGLER

Romney C. Rogers

Amend
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**AMENDED
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
OF FT. LAUDERDALE, INC.**

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Having been duly incorporated by the Broward County Circuit Court, on March 15, 1922; and reincorporated on February 15, 1967, these AMENDED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION have been ratified and approved by the members of First Baptist Church of Ft. Lauderdale, Inc. on November 23, 1999.

**ARTICLE 1.
NAME**

The name of this not for profit corporation shall be: FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF FT. LAUDERDALE, INC. The church is located at 301 East Broward Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida.

**ARTICLE 2.
PURPOSE**

The purpose of this corporation shall be to teach the Word of God and advance the Christian Faith, throughout Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, the State of Florida, and the world.

**ARTICLE 3.
MEMBERSHIP**

The membership of First Baptist Church shall consist of persons who have made a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and have been baptized by immersion. Members shall also accept and believe the Holy Scriptures to be the inspired and inerrant Word of God and shall, by practice and testimony, live the Christian Faith according to the precepts of God's Word. Membership shall be attained in accordance with the CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS.

**ARTICLE 4.
EXISTENCE**

The existence of this corporation shall be perpetual.

**ARTICLE 5.
OFFICERS**

The officers of said corporation shall be to-wit:

- (a) The Pastor shall serve as the spiritual and administrative leader of First Baptist Church and shall serve as an ex-officio member of all boards and committees.
- (b) The following corporate officers shall administer the temporal affairs of the corporation:
 - 1) President, who shall be the duly elected Chairman of Deacons
 - 2) Vice President, who shall be the duly elected Vice Chairman of Deacons
 - 3) Treasurer, who shall be the duly elected Chairman of the Finance Committee
 - 4) Secretary, who shall be the duly elected Church Clerk

(c) A Deacon body shall be duly nominated and elected men who have been members of the church for at least two years and who meet the qualifications for the office as found in I Timothy 3:8-13. Deacons shall elect a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws.

(d) A Finance Committee shall consist of five Deacons and four members of the church at large who shall be nominated and duly elected to serve and administer as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws.

(e) A Church Clerk who shall be nominated and elected as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws.

(f) A Board of Trustees shall consist of five duly elected members of First Baptist Church. The Board of Trustees shall execute all contracts to incumber or convey, deeds, bonds, negotiable instruments, mortgages, and all other instruments of indebtedness or conveyance as duly approved by the church. The Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees, with the written authorization of at least three additional trustees, shall be authorized to sign the above documents on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

**ARTICLE 6.
ELECTION**

The officers of the corporation shall be nominated and elected as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws.

**ARTICLE 7.
OPERATION**

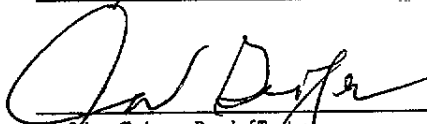
The corporation shall have and enjoy all of the powers set forth in the Florida Statutes for not for profit corporations, including but not limited to the right to acquire, sell, convey, mortgage, lease, exchange, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets, including the right to borrow or otherwise become indebted without limitation as to amount. All of the affairs of said corporation shall be administered according to its Constitution and Bylaws.

**ARTICLE 8.
AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES**

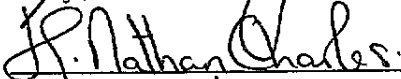
These Articles may be amended by a majority vote of a quorum of the members present at an annual, quarterly or duly called special business meeting provided copies of the proposed amendment(s) and notice of intent to amend were available at a regular church service at least four weeks prior to the vote and that a copy of the said amendment(s) and notice of intent to amend were mailed to each membership household at the last known address at least two weeks prior to the vote.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed this Certificate of Amendment this 13th day of

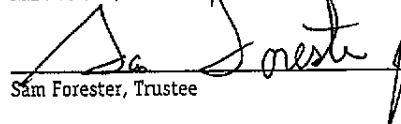
September, 2000.



Jim Geiger, Chairman, Board of Trustees




Nathan Charles, Trustee



Sam Forester, Trustee



Kenneth Dollar, Trustee



Romney Rogers, Trustee

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF BROWARD

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared JIM GEIGER, NATHAN CHARLES, KERMIT DOLLAR, SAM FORESTER and ROMNEY ROGERS, to me personally known to be the persons or who has produced _____ as identification, and did take an oath.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on this 13 day of September, 2000.

Karen Ann Glover

Print Name: KAREN ANN GLOVER

Notary Public, State of Florida

My Commission Expires:

