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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCOPORATION OF BOCA GRANDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, INC. (A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION)

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FIRST:

The Articles of Organization were filed on September 10, 1982 and assigned document number 764961.

SECOND:

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, the following amendments to the Articles of Incorporation were adopted by the corporation:

A. Article II. of the Articles of Incorporation is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article II. - Purpose

The nonprofit corporation is a religious corporation. It is organized as a local United Methodist church exclusively for religious purposes, supports the doctrine of The United Methodist Church, and declares itself and all of its property subject to the law, usages, and ministerial appointments of The United Methodist Church.

The Corporation is to be operated exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, 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 above. 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 (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of its charter, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

B. Article III. of the Articles of Incorporation is hereby amended to read as

follows:

Article III. - Members

The corporation will have members. Upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation, the members of the former unincorporated local United Methodist Church shall be members of such corporation. Only those members of the Corporation who are members of the Charge Conference, as defined in *The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church* (hereafter "the *Discipline"*), are entitled to vote at a meeting of the members; provided, however if the District Superintendent convenes a Charge Conference as a Church Conference, all members of the Corporation present shall be entitled to vote.

C. Article IV. of the Articles of Incorporation is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article IV. - Term and Distribution upon Dissolution

This corporation shall exist in perpetuity. If for any reason the corporation shall be abandoned, discontinued, or cease to exist as a legal entity or its charter shall expire or be terminated, the title to all its property both real and personal shall be vested in and be the property of the Florida Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, pursuant to the *Discipline*, provided it is then an organization qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States; and if not, to any other organization, designated by such Annual Conference, which is then qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States. The Corporation cannot sever its connectional relationship to The United Methodist Church without the Annual Conference's consent.

D. Article V. of the Articles of Incorporation is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article V. - Powers

The business of this corporation shall managed by the Board of Trustees and be conducted in conformity with the *Discipline* as the same now exists or as may hereafter be amended, changed, or modified, and the bylaws of the corporation shall include the *Discipline* and no bylaws shall be adopted inconsistent with the provisions of the *Discipline*.

In addition to the powers and duties granted to this corporation by the *Discipline*, the corporation assumes for itself all the rights, powers, and privileges and immunities which are now, and which may be during the existence thereof, be conferred by law upon a corporation with a similar character, provided the same are not inconsistent with the *Discipline*. All amendments, byławs, and

regulations of this corporation shall at all times be in conformity with the *Discipline* and must be approved, in writing, by the pastor and the district superintendent.

E. Articles VII, VIII, IX, X and XII of the Articles of Incorporation are hereby deleted.

There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendments. The amendments were adopted by the Board of Trustees.

Dated: February <u>70</u>, 2024.

Randy Reid Chair, Trustees
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