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Re: Highlands Interfaith Networking in Disaster of Highlands County, Florida, Inc.

Gentlemen:

We are enclosing the original and one copy of the proposed Articles of Incorporation for Highlands Interfaith Networking in Disaster of Highlands County, Florida, Inc. Please approve and file the original, file stamp the copy and return it to us along with the charter number.

Enclosed is their check for your charges as follows:

Filing fee for Articles of Incorporation	\$ 35.00
Filing Registered Agent's Certificate	<u>35.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 70.00</u></b>

Please let me know if anything further is required.

Sincerely yours,

*J. Michael Swaine*

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SIGNED IN MR. SWAINE'S ABSENCE  
TO AVOID DELAY IN MAILING

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Enclosures

cc: Rev. Robert J. Hutson

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**HIGHLANDS INTERFAITH NETWORKING IN DISASTER**  
**OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, INC.**  
**(A non-profit corporation)**

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The undersigned Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation, a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE I. NAME**

The name of this corporation is:

**HIGHLANDS INTERFAITH NETWORKING IN DISASTER**  
**OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, INC.**

**ARTICLE II. NATURE OF BUSINESS**

The general nature of the business to be transacted is:

1. To provide support to residents of Highlands County in the event of a disaster.
2. To own, rent, lease, operate and maintain sufficient real and personal property to carry out the purposes hereinabove expressed.
3. To receive donations, gifts, or bequests of money or other property, and to accept the same, subject to such conditions or trusts as may be attached thereto, and to obligate itself to perform and execute, and to perform and execute any and all such conditions or trusts.
4. To contract debts and to borrow money, to issue, sell and pledge bonds, debentures, notes and other evidences of indebtedness.
5. To do everything necessary, proper, advisable, or convenient for the accomplishment of the purposes or powers set forth in this article, and to do all other things incidental thereto or connected therewith, which are not forbidden by law or these articles of incorporation.

6. To carry out any of the purposes or powers set forth in this article in any state, territory, district, or possession of the United States of America, or in any foreign country, to the extent that such purposes are not forbidden by the law of such place.

7. The purposes or powers set forth in this article are not in limitation of the general powers conferred by the non-profit corporation law of the State of Florida.

### **ARTICLE III. MEMBERS**

Membership shall be open to all persons interested in the work of the corporation, who have been approved by the Board of Directors and who have paid the established dues. Membership may be terminated as provided in the Bylaws.

### **ARTICLE IV. TERM OF EXISTENCE**

The corporation is to exist perpetually.

### **ARTICLE V. ADDRESS**

The street address of the principal office of the corporation in the State of Florida is 510 Poinsettia Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the principal office to any other address in Florida, and may establish branch offices in such other place or places as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

### **ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS**

The affairs of the corporation are to be managed by a President, Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as may be provided in the by-laws, who shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members on the first of May. Officers who are to serve until the next election of officers are:

NAME	OFFICE
Robert J. Hutson	President
Charles Weir	Secretary
Leo Rosenbaum	Treasurer

### **ARTICLE VII. DIRECTORS**

The corporation shall be managed by a board of not less than three directors. Directors who are to serve until the first election of directors are:

NAME	ADDRESS
Robert J. Hutson	521 Taseschee Drive Sebring, FL 33870
Charles Weir	410 Town & Country Blvd. Sebring, FL 33872-7506
Leo Rosenbaum	1004 Lake Sebring Drive Sebring, FL 33870

The Directors shall be elected by the method stated in the bylaws of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VIII. INCORPORATOR**

The name and street address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

NAME	ADDRESS
Robert J. Hutson	521 Taseschee Drive Sebring, FL 33870

#### **ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS**

The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or appeal any provision contained in these articles of incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law. Each amendment submitted to the members for approval must be approved by majority of the members entitled to vote thereon.

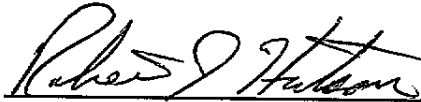
#### **ARTICLE X. NON-PROFIT CHARACTER**

This corporation is one which does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members, directors or officers. Upon dissolution of the corporation all corporate assets remaining after payment of all liabilities shall be distributed to charitable, religious, scientific, literary or educational organizations.

#### ARTICLE XI. REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The corporation hereby designates as its registered office, 510 Poinsettia Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870 and its registered agent, Robert J. Hutson, who is located at the same address for service of process.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator, has hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of May, 2000, for the purpose of forming this non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, and I hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, these articles of incorporation, and certify that the facts stated are true.

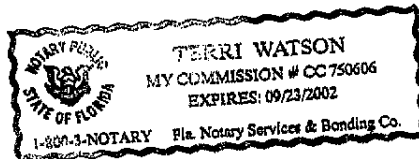


Robert J. Hutson, Incorporator

#### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, a notary public duly authorized in the state and county named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Robert J. Hutson, to me known to be the person described as the Incorporator in or who produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged before me that he subscribed to those Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the state and county named above this 9th day of May, 2000.



Notary Public, State of Florida

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Commission No. \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

(affix notarial seal)

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provision of said act relative to keeping open said office.

  
Robert J. Hutson, Registered Agent

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