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RE: Merritt Island Assembly of God, INC.

Dear Sir or Madam:

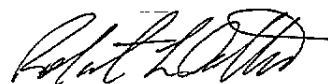
Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced entity. Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$78.75 for the filing fee and Certificate of Status in this regard.

Please return the copy of the Articles of Incorporation provided herein, after it has been stamped with the file date, along with the Certificate of Status, to:

Merritt Island Assembly of God
165 N. Grove St.
Merritt Island, Florida 32953

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



Robert L. Arthurs

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ROBERT L. ARTHURS
MERRITT ISLAND ASSEMBLY OF GOD
165 N. GROVE STREET
MERRITT ISLAND, FL 32953

SUBJECT: MERRITT ISLAND ASSEMBLY OF GOD, INC.
Ref. Number: W00000022275

We have received your document for MERRITT ISLAND ASSEMBLY OF GOD, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The articles of incorporation of a nonprofit corporation must be prepared in compliance with section 617.0202, Florida Statutes. Please refer to that section of the law for assistance.

We are enclosing the proper form(s) with instructions for your convenience.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6933.

Teresa Brown - 850-487-6933
Corporate Specialist

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September 19, 2000

Division of Corporations
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314
ATTN: Kim Rolfe

RE: MERRITT ISLAND ASSEMBLY OF GOD, INC.
Reference No. W00000022275

Dear Ms. Rolfe:

Enclosed are the original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced entity. Pursuant to our telephone conversation this date, and your affirmation that the Articles contain the requisite information pursuant to Section 617, we are resubmitting these articles for filing. Our client's filing fee is being held by the Department pending this resubmittal pursuant to Ms. Brown's letter of 09/12/2000, copy enclosed.

Please return the copy of the Articles of Incorporation provided herein, after it has been stamped with the file date, along with the Certificate of Status, to:

Robert L. Arthurs
165 North Grove Street
Merritt Island, FL 32953

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



Bradley J. Wood

Encl.

cc: Rev. Robert L. Arthurs

**CONSTITUTION AND ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR
MERRITT ISLAND ASSEMBLY OF GOD, INC.**

PREAMBLE

For the purpose of establishing and maintaining a place for the worship of Almighty God, our Heavenly Father; to provide for Christian fellowship for those of like precious faith, where the Holy Spirit may be honored according to our distinctive testimony; to assure our share of responsibility and the privilege of propagating the Gospel of Jesus Christ by all available means, both at home and in the foreign lands; the undersigned Incorporator, as Senior Pastor of and on behalf of this Assembly, do hereby recognize this body as a Local Assembly in fellowship with and part of the General Council of the Assemblies of God, with headquarters in Springfield, Missouri, and also of the Peninsular Florida District Council of the Assemblies of God, with headquarters in Lakeland, Florida, and hereby establish this Florida Not for Profit corporation, pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, and do adopt the following articles of church order and submit ourselves to be governed by them.

**OUR CREED AND COVENANT
(Apostle's Creed)**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

COVENANT

We, having been called out of the world by the precious Spirit of God, and having become acquainted with the ARTICLES OF FAITH and Polity of the Merritt Island Assembly of God Church d/b/a Merritt Assembly of God, and believing it to be of God, and having become members of same, do solemnly, but cheerfully, and with joy and gladness enter into this covenant:

"We will watch over each other with brotherly and sisterly love and kindness, not that we may have whereof to accuse our brother or sister, but that we may with meekness correct each other's faults. We will abstain from filthy conversations, and from backbiting and gossiping about our fellow Christians, forbearing one another in love; endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace.

We will warn them that are unruly, or who walk disorderly; comfort the feeble-minded; support the weak; be patient toward all men; see that none render evil for evil unto any man; and ever follow that which is good, both among ourselves and those who are without. We will provide things honest in the sight of all men, and if it be possible, as much as lieth in us, live peaceably with all men. Romans 12:17.

Realizing that the Church is the Body of Christ, and that He purchased it with His own blood, and since we are members of His Church, we will faithfully attend its services and support it with our Tithes and Offerings. We will strive to so live as not to bring any reproach upon the Church, and will faithfully adhere to its doctrines and teachings, as well as support its program.

This we will do by God's Divine Enablement, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

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CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I – NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of this Assembly shall be Merritt Island Assembly of God, Inc., whose address is 165 North Grove Street, Merritt Island, Florida 32953, and whose mailing address is the same.

ARTICLE II - PREROGATIVES AND PURPOSES

This corporate body is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code. In furtherance of such purposes, the prerogatives and objectives of this General Council affiliated Assembly shall be:

1. To Govern

This Assembly shall have the right to govern itself according to the standards of the New Testament Scriptures, "endeavoring to keep the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." Eph. 4:3, 13

2. To Acquire and Dispose

In connection therewith, or incidental thereto, it shall have the right to purchase or acquire by gift, bequest or otherwise, either directly or as trustee, and to own, hold in trust, use, sell, convey, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of any real estate or chattels as may be necessary for the furtherance of its purpose; all in accordance with its constitution and bylaws or as same may be hereafter modified or amended, as long as it keeps in harmony with the parent bodies.

3. To Worship, Fellowship, and Propagate

The purpose of this Assembly shall be to establish and maintain a place for the worship of Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, to provide Christian fellowship for those of like precious faith, where the Holy Spirit may be honored according to our distinctive testimony, and to assume our share of responsibility and the privilege of propagating the gospel of Jesus Christ by all available means, both at home and in foreign lands.

4. To Cooperate

This Assembly shall cooperate with the District Council and the General Council to extend the work and kingdom of God throughout the world. It shall support the missionary program as agreed upon. It shall participate in District Council and General Council sessions through its chosen delegates and share in the support of the ministries of these bodies.

5. To Recognize

This Assembly shall recognize that the District Council and the General Council have the authority and right to approve scriptural doctrine and conduct; also to disapprove unscriptural doctrine and conduct and to withdraw their certificates of membership if deemed necessary.

ARTICLES III - AFFILIATION

While maintaining its inherent rights to sovereignty in the conduct of its own affairs, this Assembly shall voluntarily enter into full cooperative fellowship with Assemblies of like precious faith associated in the Peninsular Florida District Council of the Assemblies of God, and the General Council of

the Assemblies of God, with headquarters in Springfield, Missouri; and shall share in the privileges and assume the responsibilities enjoined by that affiliation.

As a member of the General Council, this Assembly has the right to request the assistance of both the General Council and the District Council in dealing with any of its problems, upon the request of the pastor or a majority of the church board.

It is understood and agreed that this Assembly shall conform its standards of membership, qualifications for deacons, and requirements for a pastor to those standards set by the District Council and General Council.

By its affiliation, the Assembly - directors, officers, and members - agree to submit to the authority of and be governed by the Constitution and Bylaws of both the Peninsular Florida District Council of the Assemblies of God and the General Council of the Assemblies of God as now in effect or hereafter amended.

ARTICLE IV - TENETS OF FAITH

The Bible is our all-sufficient rule for faith and practice. This Statement of Fundamental Truths is intended simply as a basis of fellowship among us (i.e. that we all speak the same thing, 1 Corinthians 1:10, Acts 2:42). The phraseology is held to be essential to a full-gospel ministry. No claim is made that it contains all biblical truth, only that it covers our need as to these fundamental doctrines.

1. The Scriptures Inspired

The Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, are verbally inspired of God and are the revelations of God to man, the infallible, authoritative rule of faith and conduct (II Tim. 3:15-17; I Thess. 2:13; II Peter 1:21).

2. The One True God

The one true God has revealed Himself as the eternal self-existent "I AM," the Creator of heaven and earth and the Redeemer of mankind. He has further revealed Himself as embodying the principles of relationship and association as Father, Son and Holy Ghost (Deut. 6:4; Isaiah 43:10-11; Matthew 28:19; Luke 3:22).

THE ADORABLE GODHEAD

(a) Terms Defined

The terms "Trinity" and "persons," as related to the Godhead, while not found in the Scriptures, are words in harmony with Scripture, whereby we may convey to others our immediate understanding or the doctrine of Christ respecting the Being of God, as distinguished from "gods many and lords many." We therefore may speak with propriety of the Lord our God, who is One Lord, as a trinity or as one Being of three persons and still absolutely Scriptural (examples, Matt. 28:19, II Cor. 13:14; John 14:16, 17).

(b) Distinction and Relationship in the Godhead

Christ taught a distinction of Persons in the Godhead which he expressed in specific terms of relationship, as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, but that this distinction and relationship, as to its mode is inscrutable and incomprehensible, because unexplained. Luke 1:35; I Cor. 1:24; Matt. 11:25-27; 28:19; II Cor. 13:14; I John 1:3-4.

(c) Unity of the One Being of Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Accordingly, therefore is that in the Son which constitutes Him the Son and not the Father; and there is that in the Holy Ghost which constitutes Him the Holy Ghost and not either the Father or the Son. Wherefore the Father is the Begetter, the Son is the Begotten; and the Holy Ghost is the one proceeding from the Father and the Son. Therefore, because these three persons in the Godhead are in a state of unity, there is but one Lord God Almighty and His name one. John 1:18; 15:26; 17:11, 21; Zech. 14:9.

(d) Identity and Co-operation in the Godhead

The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost are never identical as to Person; nor confused as to relation; nor divided in respect to the Godhead; nor opposed as to co-operation. The Son is in the Father and the Father is in the Son, as to relationship. The Son is with the Father and the Father is with the Son, as to Fellowship. The Father is not from the Son, but the Son is from the Father, as to authority. The Holy Ghost is from the Father and the Son proceeding, as to nature, relationship, co-operation and authority. Hence, neither Person in the Godhead either exists or works separately or independently of the others. John 5:17-30, 32, 37; John 8:17, 18.

(e) The Title, Lord Jesus Christ

The appellation, *Lord Jesus Christ*, is a proper name. It is never applied, in the New Testament, either to the Father or to the Holy Ghost. It therefore belongs exclusively to the Son of God. Rom. 1:1-3, 7; II John 3.

(f) The Lord Jesus Christ, God with us

The Lord Jesus Christ, as to His divine and eternal nature, is the proper and only Begotten of the Father, but as to His human nature, He is the proper Son of Man. He is therefore, acknowledged to be both God and man; who because He is God and man, He is "Immanuel," God with us. Matt. 1:23; I John 4:2, 10, 14; Rev. 1:13, 17.

(g) The Title, Son of God

Since the name *Immanuel* embraces both God and man in the one Person, our Lord Jesus Christ, it follows that the title, *Son of God*, describes His proper deity, and the title *Son of Man*, His proper humanity. Therefore the title, *Son of God* belongs to the order of eternity, and the title, *Son of Man*, to the order of time. Matt. 1:21-23; II John 3; I John 3:8; Heb. 7:3, 12:2.

(h) Transgression of the Doctrine of Christ

Wherefore, it is a transgression of the Doctrine of Christ to say that Jesus Christ derived the title, *Son of God*, solely from the fact of the incarnation, or because of His relation to the economy of redemption. Therefore, to deny that the Father is a real and eternal Father, and that the Son is a real and eternal Son, is a denial of the distinction and relationship in the Being of God; a denial of the Father and the Son; and a displacement of the truth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. II John 9; John 1:1, 2, 14, 18, 29, 49; I John 2:22, 23; 4:1-5; Heb. 12-2.

(i) Exaltation of Jesus Christ as Lord

The Son of God, our Lord Jesus Christ, having by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; angels and principalities and powers having been made subject unto Him. And having been made both Lord and Christ, He sent the Holy Ghost that we, in the name of Jesus, might bow our knees and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father until the end when the Son shall become subject to the Father that God may be all in all. Heb. 1:3; I Peter 3:22; Acts 2:32-36; Rom. 14:11; I Cor. 15:24-28.

(j) Equal Honor to the Father and to the Son

Wherefore, since the Father has delivered all judgment unto the Son, it is not only the express duty of all in heaven and on earth to bow the knee, but it is an unspeakable joy in the Holy Ghost to ascribe unto the Son all the attributes of deity, and to give Him all the honor and the glory contained in all the names and titles of the Godhead (except those which express relationship, see paragraphs 2, 3 and 4) and thus honor the Son even as we honor the Father. John 5:22; I Peter 1:8; Rev. 5:6-14; Phil 2:8, 9; Rev. 7:9, 10; 4:8-11.

3. The Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ

The Lord Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God. The Scriptures declare:

- (a) His virgin birth (Matthew 1:23; Luke 1:31, 35).
- (b) His sinless life (Hebrews 7:26; I Peter 2:22).
- (c) His miracles (Acts 2:22; 10:38).
- (d) His substitutionary work on the cross (I Cor. 15:3; II Cor. 5:21).
- (e) His bodily resurrection from the dead (Matthew 28:6; Luke 24:39; I Cor. 15:4).
- (f) His exaltation to the right hand of God (Acts 1:9; 11; 2:33; Phillipians 2:9-11; Hebrews 1:3).

4. The Fall of Man

The human race was created good and upright; for God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." However, man by voluntary transgression fell and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death, which is separation from God (Genesis 1:26, 27; 2:17; 3:6; Romans 5:12-19).

5. The Salvation of Man

Man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

(a) Conditions to Salvation

Salvation is received through repentance toward God and faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ. By washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost, being justified by grace through faith, man becomes an heir of God according to the hope of eternal life (Luke 24:47; John 3:3; Romans 1:13-15; Ephesians 2:8; Titus 2:11; 3:5-7).

(b) The Evidence of Salvation

The inward evidence of salvation is the direct witness of the Spirit (Romans 8:16). The outward evidence to all men is a life of righteousness and true holiness (Eph. 4:24; Titus 2:12).

6. The Ordinances of the Church

(a) Baptism in Water

The ordinance of baptism by immersion is commanded in the Scriptures. All who repent and believe in Christ as Saviour and Lord are to be baptized. Thus they declare to the world that they have died with Christ and that they also have been raised with Him to walk in newness of life. (Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 10:47, 48; Romans 6:4).

(b) Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper, consisting of the elements--bread and the fruit of the vine-- is the symbol expressing our sharing the divine nature of our Lord Jesus Christ (II Peter 1:4); a memorial of His suffering

and death (I Cor. 11:26); and a prophecy of His second coming (I Cor. 11:26); and is enjoined on all believers "till He comes!"

7. The Baptism in the Holy Ghost

All believers are entitled to and should ardently expect and earnestly seek the promise of the Father, the Baptism in the Holy Ghost and fire, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This was the normal experience of all in the early Christian Church. With it comes the enduement of power for life and service, the bestowment of the gifts and their uses in the work of the ministry (Luke 24:29; Acts 1:4, 8; I Cor. 12:1-31). This experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of the new birth (Acts 8:12-17; 10: 44-46; 11:14-16; 15:7-9). With the Baptism in the Holy Ghost come such experiences as an overflowing fullness of the Spirit (John 7:37-39; Acts 4:8), a deepened reverence for God (Acts 2:43; Heb. 2:28), an intensified consecration to God and dedication to His work (Acts 2:42), and a more active love for Christ, for His word and for the lost. (Mark 16:20).

8. The Initial Physical Evidence of the Baptism in The Holy Ghost

The Baptism of Believers in the Holy Ghost is witnessed by the initial physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit of God gives them utterance. (Acts 2:4). The speaking in tongues in this instance is the same in essence as the gift of tongues (I Cor. 12:4-10, 28), but different in purpose and use.

9. Sanctification

Sanctification is an act of separation from that which is evil, and of dedication unto God (Rom. 12:12; I Thess. 5:23; Heb.13:13). The scriptures teach a life of "holiness without which no man shall see the Lord." (Heb. 12:14). By the power of the Holy Ghost we are able to obey the command, "Be ye holy, for I am holy" (I Peter 1:15, 16).

Sanctification is realized in the believer by recognizing our individual identification with Christ in His death and resurrection, and by faith reckoning daily upon the fact of that union, and by offering every faculty continually to the dominion of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 6:1-11, 13; Rom. 8:1, 2, 13; Gal. 2:20; I Peter 1:5; Phil. 2:12-13).

10. The Church and its Mission

The Church is the body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit with divine appointments for the fulfillment of her great commission. Each believer, born of the Spirit, is an integral part of the General Assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven (Ephesians 1:22, 23; 2:22; Hebrews 12:23).

Since God's purpose concerning man is to seek and to save that which is lost, to be worshipped by man, and to build a body of believers in the image of His Son, the priority reason-for-being of the Assemblies of God as part of the Church is:

- a. To be an agency of God for evangelizing the world (Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:19, 20; Mark 16:15, 16).
- b. To be a corporate body in which man may worship God (I Cor. 12:13).
- c. To be a channel of God's purpose to build a body of saints being perfected in the image of His Son (Ephesians 4:11-16; I Cor. 12:28; I Cor. 14:12).

The Assemblies of God exists expressly to give continuing emphasis to this reason-for-being in the New Testament apostolic pattern by teaching and encouraging believers to be baptized in the Holy Spirit. This experience:

- a. Enables them to evangelize in the power of the Spirit with accompanying supernatural signs (Mark 16:15-20; Acts 4:29-31; Hebrews 2:3, 4).
- b. Adds a necessary dimension to a worshipful relationship with God (I Corinthians 2:10-16; I Corinthians 12, 13, and 14).
- c. Enables them to respond to the full working of the Holy Spirit in expression of fruit and gifts and ministries as in New Testament times for the edifying of the of the body of Christ (Galatians 5:22-26; I Corinthians 14:12; Ephesians 4:11, 12; I Corinthians 12:28; Colossians 1:29).

11. The Ministry

A divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry has been provided by our Lord for the threefold purpose of leading the Church in: (1) Evangelizing of the world (Mark 16:15-20), (2) Worship of God (John 4:23, 24), (3) Building a body of saints being perfected in the image of His Son (Ephesians 4:11-16).

12. Divine Healing

Divine healing is an integral part of the gospel. Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement and is the privilege of all believers (Isaiah 53:4, 5; Matt. 8:16, 17; James 5:14-16).

13. The Blessed Hope

The resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord is the imminent and blessed hope of the church (I Thess. 4:16, 17; Romans 8:23; Titus 2:13; I Cor. 15:51, 52).

14. The Millennial Reign of Christ

The second coming of Christ includes the rapture of the saints, which is our blessed hope, followed by the visible return of Christ with His saints to reign on earth for one thousand years (Zech. 14:5; Matt. 24:27, 30; Revelation 1:7; 19:11-14, 20:1-6). This millennial reign will bring the salvation of national Israel (Ezekiel 37:21, 22; Zephaniah 3:19-20; Romans 11:26-27) and the establishment of universal peace (Isaiah 11:6-9; Psalm 72:3-8; Micah 4:3-4).

15. The Final Judgment

There will be a final judgment at which the wicked dead will be raised and judged according to their works. Whosoever is not found written in the Book of Life, together with the devil and his angels, the beast and the false prophet will be consigned to everlasting punishment in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death (Matt. 25:46; Mark 9:43-48, Revelation 19:20; 2:11-15; 21:8).

16. The New Heavens and the New Earth

We, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness (II Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:22).

ARTICLE V - ORDINANCES

1. Water Baptism. The ordinance of Baptism by immersion in water (Matt. 28:19) shall be administered to all those who have repented of their sins and who have believed on the Lord Jesus Christ to the saving of their souls, and who give clear evidence of their salvation. (Romans 6:3-5; Col. 2:12)

2. **The Lord's Supper.** The ordinance of the Lord's Supper shall be observed regularly as enjoined in the Scriptures. (Luke 22:19, 20; I Cor. 11:23-26)

ARTICLE VI - MEMBERSHIP

This corporate Assembly shall have a membership distinct from its board of directors, however, all members of the board of directors shall be either appointed or elected from the active membership. The qualifications of members, the manner of their admission, different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of members shall be as regulated in the bylaws of this corporate Assembly, which shall not be in conflict with the bylaws of the District Council.

ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The government of this corporate Assembly shall be vested in the church board which shall consist of the pastor and at least three deacons chosen from the membership of the church., to the extent that such authority is not limited by district supervision as provided for under the bylaws of the District Council or of this corporate Assembly. The qualifications for membership on the board of this corporate Assembly, the manner of their election and term, and their obligation, duties and rights as board members shall be as set forth and regulated by the bylaws of this corporate Assembly, which shall not be in conflict with the bylaws of the District Council.

ARTICLE VIII - PROPERTY

Section 1. Title

All property of the Assembly shall be deeded to the Assembly and be held in its name or, if required by law, to trustees acting on behalf of the Assembly and their successors in office. Should the Assembly choose to do so, it may request the Peninsular Florida District Council of the Assemblies of God to act as its trustee to hold title.

Section 2. Purchases and Sales of Property

All purchases of furnishings, equipment, and other items of tangible personal property, exceeding \$10,000 in cost, and all purchases and sales of real property shall be authorized by a vote of at least two-thirds of the voting membership who are in attendance at a regular or special meeting of the Assembly.

Section 3. Discontinuation of Church Services

Should this Assembly cease to maintain a weekly worship service for a period of 3 months under the direction of a leader duly authorized by and in good standing with the District Council, it shall be dissolved and its properties disposed of according to Article VIII, Section 4, of this constitution.

Section 4. Disaffiliation

Title to all real property now owned or hereafter acquired by the Assembly shall be held in trust as a place of divine worship in full cooperative fellowship and affiliation with the General Council of the Assemblies of God, of Springfield, Missouri, and the Peninsular Florida District Council of the Assemblies of God. In the event that the Assembly shall be divided over doctrinal or any other issues, or shall vote to disaffiliate from the Assemblies of God, all property of the Assembly shall remain with those members, whatever their number, desiring continued affiliation with the Assemblies of God and adhering to its statement of fundamental truths. The determination of which group of members desires continued affiliation with the Assemblies of God and adheres to its statement of fundamental truths shall be arbitrated by the District Presbytery of the Peninsular Florida District Council of the Assemblies of God, and its decision shall be final and binding. If all of the members of the Assembly shall vote to disaffiliate from the

Assemblies of God church if possible, and if not possible, the District may sell the property and apply the proceeds in any manner consistent with its stated purposes.

Section 5. Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Assembly, none of its funds or assets shall be distributed to any officer, deacon, trustee, or any other individual. The church board shall after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Assembly, dispose of all of the funds and assets of the Assembly by conveying the same to the Peninsular Florida District Council of the Assemblies of God, for the purposes of the Assembly, and provided that said District Council at the time qualifies as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law). Any such funds or assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, to such organization as said court shall determine, which is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes.

ARTICLE IX - INCORPORATOR AND INITIAL BOARD

1. Incorporator. The name and address of the Incorporating Director for this corporation is:

Robert L. Arthurs 165 North Grove Street, Merritt Island, Florida 32953.

2. Initial Board. The names and addresses of the Initial Board of this corporation are:

Thomas Russo 2460 San Lorenzo Court Merritt Island, FL 32953
Marianne Savage 330 Cherry Avenue Merritt Island, FL 32953
William Mason 252 Summers Creek Drive Merritt Island, FL 32952

ARTICLE X - REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The registered office of the corporation shall be located at 165 North Grove Street, Merritt Island, Florida 32953, and the name of the Registered Agent of the corporation at that address is Robert L. Arthurs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed this Constitution, Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation this 27th day of August, 2000.



Robert L. Arthurs, Incorporator

**ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED
IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above-named corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment of Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and completed performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as Registered Agent under Section 617.0503, Florida Statutes.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 2000.



Robert L. Arthurs, Registered Agent

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TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA