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SUBJECT: SRI SRI GOPARI KRSWA ASHRAM, INC. (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME-MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

□ \$70.00 Filing Fee

□ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of

Status

196.25 1878.75

\$87.50

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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: ASSAM & ASSOCIATES

Name (Printed or typed)

3902 AVEJ SUITE 101

Broklyn NY 11210

(954) 464-3626 1718-253-8544

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Katherine Harris Secretary of State

March 2, 2001

ASSAM & ASSOCIATES 3902 AVE. J, SUITE 101 BROOKLYN, NY 11210

SUBJECT: SRI SRI GOPAAL KRSNA ASHRAM, INC.

Ref. Number: W01000004809

We have received your document for SRI SRI GOPAAL KRSNA ASHRAM, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$96.25. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

We regret that we were unable to contact you by phone. Please return the corrected document with a letter providing us with an address and telephone number where you can be reached during working hours.

The registered agent and street address must be consistent wherever it appears in your document.

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) 487-6995.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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OF

SRI SRI GOPAAL KRSNA ASHRAM, INC.

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 617.0202, F.S. OF THE NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION LAW

ONE: THE NAME OF THE CORPORATION IS

SRI SRI GOPAAL KRSNA ASHRAM,INC.

TWO: The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation is:

3710 North West 7th Avenue Pompano Beach, Florida 33064

THREE: The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is formed are as follows:

a: To expound the cultural and religious ideals of Hinduism based on the teachings of the Vedas, and to promote monotheistic beliefs and practices.

b: To recognize and celebrate cultural and religious festivals, and to cultivate a sense of knowledge and self-confidence in our young people.

c: To develop a closer understanding of Hindu culture and religion by having regular prayer meetings, discussions, and seminars.

d: To plan and implement regular programs in music, drama, and sports for our youths, and to teach the languages of Hindi and Sanskrit in order to understand the true teachings of our forefathers.

e: To work in co-operation with other religious and cultural bodies towards a deeper understanding and appreciation of each other's culture.

f: To raise funds without the assistance of professional fund raisers in order to build, purchase, lease, or rent a place solely for the purpose of worship and to maintain and manage the said property for improvement of our members and all interested individuals and groups in order to enhance their mental, spiritual, as well as physical development.

g: To institute, participate in or otherwise support activities and project designed to minister to the spiritual, material, and physical needs of people.

h: To ordain persons as priests when they have proven themselves worthy by reason of devotion and study.

I: To disseminate Vedic thoughts and ideals by organizing programs such as Yajnas, publication of books, magazines, tracts, tapes, and to establish camps for adults and youths.

j: To have and exercise the general powers of a parent religious organization, and not to be subjected to the jurisdiction of any other Religious Corporation; and to have the power to establish and maintain branches within the State Of Florida, or any other State within the United States, and any foreign country.

k: To do everything and anything reasonably necessary, suitable, and proper, convenient or incidental to the aforesaid purposes and which may properly be done by Religious Organization and Not-for-Profit Corporation, organized under the laws of the State Of New York.

Nothing herein shall authorize the corporation to operate or maintain a nursery school, elementary school or secondary school. Nothing herein shall authorize the corporation to operate or maintain an institution of higher learning or to grant degrees. The corporation, in furtherance of its corporate purposes set forth above, shall have all the powers enumerated in Chapter 617 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, subject to any limitations provided in the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law or any other Statute of the State of Florida. Nothing herein shall authorize this corporation, directly or indirectly, to engage in, or include among its purposes, any of the activities mentioned in Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, Chapter 617, Florida Statute.

FOUR: The names and addresses of the initial Directors/ Officers of this corporation are as follows:

DHANIRAM HARRYPERSAD 4021 NORTH WEST 7TH AVE POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA 33064

JAGRAM MAHARAJ 2320 NORTH WEST 115 DRIVE CORAL SPRINGS, FLORIDA 33065 DEORAJ BHARATH 302 SOUTH WEST 322 TERRACE DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA 33442

BHAGGAN SOOGRIM 660 NORTH WEST 38TH STREET POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA 33064

PATRICIA RAMLAL 10559 NORTH WEST 32ND COURT CORAL SPRINGS, FLORIDA 33065 VIRUDH ANIRUDHSINGH 1720 NORTH 50TH AVENUE HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA 33021

RUPLAL SEEPRESAD 3435 NORTH WEST 37TH STREET LAUDERIJALE LAKES, FLORIDA 33309

FIVE: The manner in which the Directors are elected or appointed is as follows: A meeting of the Sri Sri Gopaal Krsna Ashram, an unincorporated Not-For-Profit organization, was duly called and held in conformity with the aforesaid Article of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law at 3710 North West 7th Avenue Pompano Beach, FL 33064, on the 12th, day of February, 2001 at which meeting a majority of the duly qualified voters of said Church, begin at least sixteen (16) in number were present in person. At said meeting the aforementioned Directors/Officers were nominated and seconded.

SIX: STATE AND FEDERAL EXEMPTION.

State and Federal: Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under IRC 501 © (3) or corresponding provision of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, director, officer of the corporation, or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation), and no member, trustee, officer, of the corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation. Exemption language for Religious Corporation seeking exemption.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation [except as otherwise provided by IRC 501 (h)] or participating in, or intervening in (including the publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidates for public office.

In the event of dissolution, all of the remaining assets and property of the corporation shall, after necessary expenses thereof, be distributed to another organization exempt under IRC 501 © (3), or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws, or to the Federal government, or state or local government for a public purpose, subject to the approval of a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Florida.

In any taxable year in which the corporation is a private foundation as described in IRC 509 (a), the corporation shall distribute its income for said period at such time and manner as not to subject it to tax under IRC 4942, and the corporation shall not (a) engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in IRC 4941 (d), retain any excess business holdings as defined in IRC 4943 (c), (b) make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under IRC 4944, or (c) make any taxable expenditures as defined in IRC 4945 (d) or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

SEVEN: The name and Florida street address of the Registered Agent is as follows:

JAGRAM MAHARAJ

3710 North West 7th Avenue

Pompano Beach, F 33064

EIGHT: The name and address of the Incorporator is as follows:

Assam and Associates Charles Peter David, Esq. 3902 Avenue J, Suite 101 Brooklyn, New York 11210 718-253-8544 Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Jagram Maharaj, Registered Agent

02/20/2001

Assam & Associates by Charles Peter David, Esq. Incorporator

02/20/2001

