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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: PIONEER ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, INC.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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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

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Fred Sylvain

Name (Printed or typed)

206 NW 97th Street

Address

Miami, Florida 33150-1629

City, State & Zip

305-759-6235

Daytime Telephone number

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

ARTICLE I

The name of the proposed corporation is to be:

PIONEER ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, INC.

ARTICLE II

The street address of the initial principal office of the corporation is:

206 NW 97th Street, Miami, FL 33150-1629

ARTICLE III

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are as follows: To provide material and/or monetary assistance to needy ordained ministers of the Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses; and to take by gift, legacy or bequest, and to purchase, lease, hold, sell, convey, acquire, mortgage, manage, dispose of and deal in real estate and personal property in any manner that may seem proper and best for the welfare of the Foundation. This corporation is organized exclusively for and will be operated exclusively for philanthropic purposes; 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, any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE IV

Board of Directors

(a) The corporation's powers shall be exercised and the corporation's business shall be directed, conducted, and controlled by a minimum of three and no more than ten directors.

(b) The directors shall have the power to conduct, manage, direct, and control the affairs of the corporation; to call special meetings of the board of directors if the demands of the corporation make it necessary; to negotiate and enter into contracts and do all necessary acts and things necessary or expedient in carrying out the purposes of the corporation; to select a bank for the depository of the funds of the corporation; to determine the manner of receiving, depositing and disbursing the funds of

the corporation and the persons by whom funds may be withdrawn. No major indebtedness, however, shall be incurred without the consent of a majority of the members.

(c) In exercising any of the powers herein conferred upon the directors, they shall act in complete harmony and unity with the By-laws of the corporation, and as directed by the corporation by vote of its members.

(d) When a vacancy occurs in the office of director, the remaining directors shall appoint any qualified member to fill such vacancy until the next annual meeting, at which meeting the vacancy will be filled for the unexpired term by the members.

(e) Voting for the office of director shall be by ballot. The nominee receiving the highest number of votes, providing the number is more than two-thirds of those voting, shall be declared elected.

(f) At the expiration of the terms of office of directors, their successors shall be chosen to serve for a term of three years.

ARTICLE V

The names and addresses of the persons initially elected as directors, and the terms of office for which they were respectively elected are as follows:

Jessie R. Schwartz, 400 NW 193rd Street, Miami, Florida 33169, to hold office until the first annual election of directors;

Gumersinda Sylvain, 206 NW 97th Street, Miami, Florida 33150, to hold office until the second annual election of directors; and

Fred Sylvain, 206 NW 97th Street, Miami, Florida 33150, to hold office until the third annual election. Thereafter the terms of directors shall be for three years. The directors' named herein are hereby designated in the order named, as Vice-president, President, and Secretary.

ARTICLE VI

The mailing address of the initial registered office of the corporation is: 206 NW 97th Street, Miami- FL 33150-1629, and the initial registered agent of the corporation at such address is Fred Sylvain.

ARTICLE VII

The incorporator is Fred Sylvain and his address is:

206 NW 97th Street, Miami, Florida 33150-1629

ARTICLE VIII

The first annual meeting for the election of directors shall be held on the first Friday of OCTOBER 2001 and the annual election of directors shall be held thereafter on the first Friday of OCTOBER of each year or if, because of conditions over which the corporation has no control, such day is inconvenient, then on a subsequent Friday in NOVEMBER to be designated by the President, of which the members shall have at least fifteen days notice or upon such other day of the week as may be from time to time provided in the By-laws of the corporation. The officers of the corporation shall be elected from among the directors

ARTICLE IX

The President and the Secretary are authorized to execute all official instruments for the corporation by affixing the name and seal of the corporation and signing their names as President and Secretary, respectively.

ARTICLE X

No director, officer or member of the corporation shall be personally liable for any of the debts, liabilities or obligations of the corporation.

ARTICLE XI

In the event of the dissolution of this corporation, the assets thereof shall not inure to the benefit of any individual, whether director, officer, or member of this corporation, but upon any such dissolution the assets of this corporation shall only be transferred to an incorporated congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses or to the central organization of the congregation, to wit, WATCHTOWER BIBLE AND TRACT SOCIETY OF NEW YORK, INC. a nonprofit corporation, provided such organizations have qualified under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION
REGISTERED AGENT / REGISTERED OFFICE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 607.0501 or 617.0501, Florida statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is:

PIONEER ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, INC.

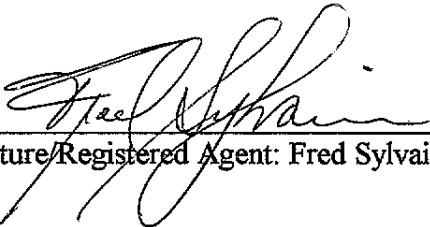
2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Fred Sylvain
206 NW 97th Street
Miami, Florida 33150-1629

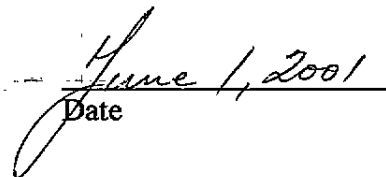
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ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been designated, I hereby consent to serve as registered agent, in the State of Florida, for the corporation herein named. I understand that as agent for the corporation, it will be my responsibility to receive service of process in the name of the corporation at the place designated in this certificate; to forward all mail to the corporation; and to immediately notify the office of the Secretary of State in the event of my resignation or of any change in the registered office address of the corporation for which I am agent. I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.



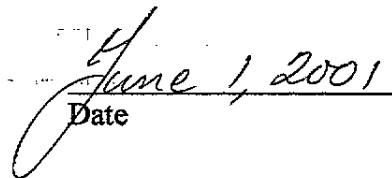
Signature/Registered Agent: Fred Sylvain



Date



Signature/Incorporator: Fred Sylvain



Date