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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

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Business Organization Filing Section
Division of Corporations
Post Office Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Florida Southern Baptists, Inc.

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Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find the following items submitted for a Florida Non-Profit
Incorporation:

Articles of Incorporation (2 copies)

Check in the amount of \$78.75

Incorporation Fee - \$35.00

Designation of Registered Agent - \$35.00

Certificate Under Seal - \$8.75

If all is in order, please send your Letter of Notification, the Certificate
Under Seal and one copy of the Articles to the following address:

Robert K. Casey, MD
2811 NW 12th Place
Gainesville, FL 32605

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Sincerely,



Clement H. White

enc.

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
FLORIDA SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, INC.**

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves for the purpose of forming and organizing a religious corporation, not for profit, under the laws of the State of Florida, and do hereby adopt and declare the following as the Articles of Incorporation.

PREAMBLE

We hereby declare and establish **FLORIDA SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, INC.** to help secure the truths of our religious faith in order to preserve the freedoms and responsibilities of Southern Baptists in Florida.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this Corporation is: **FLORIDA SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, INC.**

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE & DURATION

Section 1. Purpose: Our mission is to help local Southern Baptist churches of Florida to reach people for Christ through voluntary cooperation according to historic Baptist principles.

Section 2. Duration: This Florida Not-For-Profit religious corporation shall exist in Perpetuity.

ARTICLE III - CORE VALUES AND GOALS

Section 1. Core Values: We celebrate our salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ our Lord. We declare that the Holy Scripture is our authority for faith and practice. We believe in soul competency and the priesthood of all believers within the community of faith. We are active members of local churches who voluntarily cooperate in the work of the Florida Baptist State Convention. We value truth, accuracy and fairness in communication and we trust informed Baptists will make wise decisions. We assert that Baptist associations and conventions are the servants of cooperating, autonomous churches. We believe that no person, government or religious system has the right to come between God and the individual.

Section 2 Goals: To encourage Southern Baptist Churches in Florida to support missions and ministries as informed partners in extending the Kingdom of God; To call Florida Baptists toward a common community and avoid the extremes that have fragmented Baptist life in recent years; To resist the imposition of confessional statements in a creedal fashion; To enlist people

to become active participants in Florida Baptist work and decision making; To promote participation from among the wide diversity of Florida Baptist members and churches; To inform Southern Baptists in Florida about the nature, functions and workings of Florida Baptists; To work to promote free and open discussions.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS, POWERS AND MANAGEMENT

Section 1. Officers, Councils and Committees: The corporation shall elect officers and directors, but no less than three, and may establish councils and committees and specify the number, method of selection, qualifications, duties and functions in the by-laws.

Section 2. Powers: The corporation, in addition to the powers granted by Florida law, shall have full power to receive annual membership dues, acquire by gift, grant, purchase, devise, legacy or otherwise, real estate for use of said corporation, and to hold, possess, enjoy, mortgage, alienate and dispose of the same.

Section 3. Management: The board of directors shall, as further provided in the bylaws, serve as the corporate management body.

ARTICLE VI - INITIAL CORPORATE OFFICE, INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE & AGENT

The initial corporate address is P.O. Box 357816, Gainesville FL 32635-7816. The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 2811 NW 12th Place, Gainesville, FL 32605-5026. The name of the initial registered agent at that address is Robert K. Casey, M.D.

ARTICLE VII- INCORPORATORS

The name and address of the incorporators signing these Articles of Incorporation is:

NAME

ADDRESS

Robert K. Casey, M.D.

2811 NW 12th Place, Gainesville, FL 32605-5026

Lance W. Anderson

66 Luana Place, Ponce de Leon, FL 32455-5900

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENT & BYLAWS

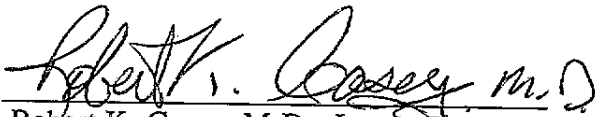
These Articles of Incorporation may be amended, and bylaws may be enacted, amended or rescinded by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors present at a regular or specially called board meeting of the corporation, provided the following actions have been accomplished:

1. Proposed amendments to the Articles, enactment or amendment of Bylaws must be presented in writing and be made available to all board members at least one week prior to a regular or specially called board meeting, where such will be discussed and possibly amended; then voted upon.
2. Two-thirds of the board members present and voting with a quorum of the voting board membership must give their approval to enact, recent or amend the Articles of Incorporation and/or Bylaws.
3. Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State of Florida in accordance with the manner provided for in law.

ARTICLE IX - DISSOLUTION

The existence of this religious non-profit corporation shall be perpetual. In the event of dissolution of the corporation, all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to another Baptist organization of like faith, order, doctrine and polity as selected by the board which has qualified for exemption under Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. None of the remaining assets shall be distributed to any member or officer of this corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned **ROBERT K. CASEY, M.D.**, as incorporator and registered agent for the Corporation, so accepting that appointment, executes these Articles of Incorporation on the 6th day of ~~May~~ ^{June}, 2001.

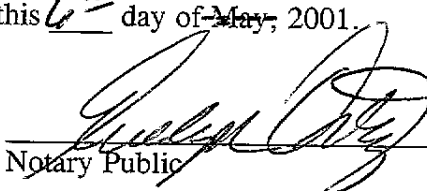

Robert K. Casey, M.D., Incorporator
And Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ALACHUA

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation and Registered Agent's Acceptance were acknowledged before me by **ROBERT K. CASEY, M.D.**

WITNESS MY HAND and official seal this 6th day of ~~May~~ ^{June}, 2001.




Notary Public

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned LANCE W. ANDERSON, as incorporator executes these Articles of Incorporation on the 29th day of May, 2001.

Lance W. Anderson

Lance W. Anderson, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF WALTON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation were acknowledged before me by LANCE W. ANDERSON.

WITNESS MY HAND and official seal this 29th day of May, 2001.



Norma J McDonald
My Commission CC843282
Expires June 3, 2003

Norma J. McDonald

Notary Public, State of Florida

Norma J. McDonald

Registered Agent's Acceptance

Having been named to accept service of process for the above named corporation, I hereby accept appointment as its agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation.

Robert K. Casey, M.D.

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