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SUBJECT: ST. GREGORIOS ORTHODOX CHURCH OF INDIA, INC  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)  
SOUTH FLORIDA

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  
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☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50  
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: REV. FR. GEORGE JOHN 500005313145--9  
Name (Printed or typed) -04/22/02--01059--005  
\*\*\*\*\*87.50 \*\*\*\*\*87.50

9441-S.W. 53<sup>RD</sup> STREET  
Address

COOPERCITY, FL. 33328  
City, State & Zip

(954) 236-1020  
Daytime Telephone number

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

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
ST. GREGORIOS ORTHODOX CHURCH OF INDIA, INC.  
SOUTH FLORIDA**

*The corporation is a corporation defined under the provisions of chapter 607 and 617 Florida Statutes.*

**ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of the corporation is St. Gregorios Orthodox Church of India, Inc. South Florida.

**ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The post office address of the corporation is now 9441 SW 53 ST Cooper City, Florida 33328.

**ARTICLE III : PURPOSE OF THE CORPORATION**

- a. To conduct and carry on religious services and divine worship or other religious observances of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church.
- b. To maintain a regular place of worship for the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Holy Scriptures, the Faith, Doctrines and Teachings of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church.
- c. To establish and maintain church schools to teach and study the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Holy Scriptures, the Faith, Doctrines and the teachings of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church provided, however that the corporation shall not teach or promote the teaching of any subject other than religious education.
- d. The corporation shall have the power to take and hold any grant, donation, gift, or property. To solicit and raise funds by any and all proper and appropriate means under the Religious Corporations Law. And to receive such funds for the support of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church and the American diocese of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church.
- e. The corporation shall have the power to purchase, lease or acquire real estate property and to hold, own, sell, mortgage, lease, or dispose of real estate property and to build, construct, maintain, alter, and manage any buildings or church edifices subject to the Religious Corporations Law.
- f. The corporation shall exercise all powers contained in this document subject only to the Constitution and By-laws of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church and the American Diocese of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church.

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#### **ARTICLE IV: MANNER OF ELECTION**

1. The corporation is a member parish of the American Diocese of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church under the jurisdiction of the Catholicos of the East Cum Malankara Metropolitan and his designee, the Metropolitan of the American Diocese.
2. Incorporation is governed according to the Constitution of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church.
3. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the President and the Board of Directors. The Vicar of St. Gregorios Orthodox Church, who is appointed by the Diocesan Metropolitan, will be the President. The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than five and no more than fifteen members. They are elected by the General Body of the parish and must have the approval of the Diocesan Metropolitan.

#### **ARTICLE V: INITIAL DIRECTORS / OFFICERS**

The initial board of directors are:

1. President and Registered Agent:

**Fr. George John**  
9441 SW 53 ST  
Cooper City, FL 33328

2. Secretary:

**Biju Joseph**  
11748 SW 59 ST  
Cooper City, FL 33328

3. Treasurer:

**K.C. Varghese**  
5066 SW 88 Terrace  
Cooper City, FL 33328

4. Director:

**Abraham Varghese Vadakara**  
530 C2 Shady Pine Way  
West Palm Beach, FL 33415

5. Director:

**Babu Thomas**  
9325 NW 24 Place  
Pembroke Pines, FL 333024

6. Director:

**Korah Varughese**  
5204 SW 119 Ave  
Cooper City, FL 33330

7. Director:

**Korulla Varkey Thamarasseril**  
9911 20<sup>th</sup> ST  
Pembroke Pines, FL 33024

8. Director:

**Mathai Skaria**  
5681 SW 99<sup>th</sup> Lane  
Cooper City, FL 33328

#### **ARTICLE VI: INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent is

Fr. George John  
9441 SW 53 ST  
Cooper City, FL 33328

#### **ARTICLE VII: INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator is

Fr. George John  
9441 SW 53 ST  
Cooper City, FL 33328

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#### **ARTICLE VIII : MEMBERSHIP**

Membership will be given subject to the provisions of the Constitution of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church.

#### **ARTICLE IX: DURATION**

The corporation shall have a perpetual existence.

#### **ARTICLE X : DEDICATION OF ASSETS**

If the corporation is dissolved, its assets shall be distributed to the American Diocese of The Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church, provided, however, if the said Diocese do not exist, at that time, then to The Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church, provided, however, if the said Church do not exist, at that time, then to a non-profit organization, exempt under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as the members of the Corporation shall determine, and subsequent to the approval of a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Florida, but in no event shall any of its property be distributed to any member or officer of the corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XI: MANNER OF AMENDMENTS**

The General Body of the parish has the authority to amend or add any article of this incorporation with the written permission of the Diocesan Metropolitan and two-thirds majority of the members of the parish.

The foregoing articles of incorporation were authorized by the unanimous vote of the general body meeting of St. Gregorios Orthodox Church of India, held on February 10, 2002 at which meeting a majority of the duly qualified voters of the said parish were present and was presided over by the President Rev. Fr. George John who is a duly ordained priest of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church and appointed by the Metropolitan of the American Diocese of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church.

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.

George John  
Signature / Registered Agent

4-18-02  
Date

George John  
Signature / Incorporator

4-18-02  
Date

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The foregoing articles of incorporation of St. Gregorios Orthodox Church of India, Inc. were acknowledged before me on this 18 day of April 2002 by Rev. Fr. George John as President and Registered Agent.



Alicemaude Hernandez  
MY COMMISSION # CC983095 EXPIRES  
November 20, 2004  
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

Alicemaude Hernandez  
(Personally Known)

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