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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

For

MARRIAGE FOR LIFE, INC.

(a not for profit corporation)

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned incorporator, in compliance with and for the purpose of forming a corporation (Not for Profit) under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act (Chapter 617, F.S.) and pursuant to the purpose and meaning of Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I: NAME AND ADDRESS

The name and address of the corporation shall be:

Marriage For Life, Inc. 10005 Gate Parkway North Jacksonville, Florida 32246

ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND PLACE OF BUSINESS

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

Marriage For Life, Inc. 10005 Gate Parkway North Jacksonville, Florida 32246

ARTICLE III: PURPOSE

Marriage For Life, Inc., "MFL," is established as a faith-based Christian ministry, organized as a Corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

Believing that marriage is a covenant relationship ordained by God, we as pastors, ministers and Christian leaders in the Greater Jacksonville, Florida area are committed to ensure that these marriages will endure until parted by death. Since it is estimated that 75 percent of all marriages are performed by ministers, we are in a unique position to dramatically affect marriages and families. Troubled by the high divorce rate in the Greater Jacksonville area, we commit ourselves to the task of instructing engaged couples and strengthening marriages through teaching the principles for lasting marriage as directed by God in the Bible. We believe it is our responsibility to promote these principles of marriage by equipping couples in preparation for marriage.

Specifically, we are dedicated to strengthening marriage relationships as we seek to:

- 1. Provide premarital preparation for marriage. This should include a premarital questionnaire and six instruction sessions or the equivalent, with a suggested waiting period of at least four months. The preparation may include mentor couples and access to helpful resources.
- 2. Encourage all youth and single adults to practice abstinence.
- 3. Assist all families in providing positive role models for children.
- 4. Encourage all married couples, especially newlyweds, to attend marriage enrichment retreats, conferences, and seminars.
- 5. Provide specific support and resources for troubled marriages.
- 6. Assist all blended families in developing and cultivating relational skills for bonding.
- 7. Influence public understanding and attitudes of the sacredness of marriage by a positive portrayal of wholesome, God-centered matrimony.

In order to facilitate the above, we commit ourselves to be more adequately equipped to prepare couples for lifelong covenant marriage.

ARTICLE IV: DIRECTORS

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be not less than three (3) or more than nineteen (19) and the initial Board of Directors of this Corporation are:

Rev. Donald Bloch 13761 Night Hawk Court Jacksonville, Florida 32224 Tharp Spencer Roberts, III 77 San Juan Drive Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

Dr. Richard Marks 886 Palermo Road Jacksonville, Florida 32216

Rev. Anne Bloch 13761 Night Hawk Court Jacksonville, Florida 32224

Mr. George Bass 3838 Colebrooke Drive Jacksonville, Florida 32210

ARTICLE V: MANNER OF ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall be elected by majority vote of sitting Directors at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation or at a special meeting of the Directors called for that purpose.

ARTICLE VI: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The officers shall be president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors, to serve for a period of two years. The names and addresses of the initial officers are:

Rev. Donald Bloch, President 13761 Night Hawk Court Jacksonville, Florida 32224

Dr. Richard Marks, Vice President 886 Palermo Road Jacksonville, Florida 32216

Rev. Anne Bloch, Secretary 13761 Night Hawk Court Jacksonville, Florida 32224

Mr. George Bass, Treasurer 3838 Colebrooke Drive Jacksonville, Florida 32210

ARTICLE VII: ADVISORY BOARD

Members of the Advisory Board shall be invited to serve by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII: INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

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

C. HOLT SMITH, III 233 East Bay Street, Suite 930 Jacksonville, Florida 32202

ARTICLE IX: INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of this Corporation is:

THARP SPENCER ROBERTS, III 77 San Juan Drive Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida 32082

ARTICLE X: OTHER PURPOSES

Other purposes for which the Corporation is organized are: to operate exclusively for religious, charitable, educational, and distinct Christian faith purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereto, and such purposes shall include the following:

- (a) To acquire and hold property, either real or personal, for organizational purposes, as may be necessary for the membership of this Corporation.
- (b) To produce materials in the form of books, cassettes, CD's, videos, DVD's, the Internet and other forms of communication technology with which to advance the purpose of the Corporation.
- (c) To organize seminars, conferences, workshops and other special events for the purpose of achieving goals of the Corporation as defined by the Directors.
- (d) To acquire resources such as books, cassettes, videos, and all training materials and curriculum needed for the achievement of the purposes of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI: POWERS

In accordance with and in addition to the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida, the Corporation shall have the following powers:

- (a) To receive and accept gifts of money, equipment, supplies and property and anything of value and to hold or sell the same for any of the purposes of the Corporation and its work;
- (b) To raise and assist in raising funds for the charitable and other purposes herein set forth;

- (c) To acquire, own, lease, mortgage, and dispose of property, both real, intellectual and personal;
- (d) To conduct and carry on Christian faith-based marriage and engagement seminars, workshops, conferences and instruction in person and through the public media, including electronic broadcasting, AM and FM radio, telecasting, microwave distribution, closed circuit transmission, the World Wide Web, cable television, books, cassettes, videos and other such means of communications.
- (e) To accept property and donations in trust for religious or charitable purposes.
- (f) To market tapes, books, CD's, videos, DVD's and such other materials produced by MFL to fund the expenses of the ministry.
- (g) To do such acts as may be permitted of Not For Profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida and which are not in conflict herewith.

ARTICLE XII: DISSOLUTION

MFL is not organized for pecuniary gain or profit, nor shall it have any power to issue certificates of stock or declare dividends, and no part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any members, Directors or individuals, except that MFL shall be authorized and empowered to pay and to be paid a reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the articles hereof. No substantial part of the activities of MFL shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, (except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code), and MFL shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, MFL shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by:

- (a) A Corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law), or
- (b) A Corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding

provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law), or

In the event of the dissolution of this Corporation, or in the event it (c) shall cease to carry out the objectives and purposes herein set forth, all of the business, property and assets of the Corporation shall go and be distributed to such Non-Profit Corporation(s) qualifying as an Organization exempt under the provisions of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereof, and as an Organization qualifying as a public charity under the provisions of Section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute, as the Directors of the Corporation may select and designate. In no event shall any of said assets or property, in the event of dissolution thereof, go or be distributed to members, directors or officers of the corporation either for the reimbursement of any sum subscribed, donated or contributed by such members, or for any other such purpose. Any such 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 located, exclusively for such purposes, or to the Organization(s) as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE XIII: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The initial Board of Directors is established by these Articles of Incorporation as specified in Article IV. The business and property of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of not less than three (3) or more than nineteen (19) Directors. The Directors duly constituted and elected shall constitute the Board of Directors and they shall hold their offices for a period of two (2) years, or until other or further election, resignation, incapacity or death. In the event of resignation or incapacity, the inability of any Director to act, or in the event of the death of any Director, the remaining Directors shall elect another Director, or Directors, to fill the vacancy or vacancies, thus created. A new Director shall be elected by a majority vote of the total Director(s), excluding the Director(s) whose position is being filled by vote. Additionally:

- (a) The Directors in their collective capacity shall be known as the Board of Directors and under that name shall constitute the governing body, and shall conduct and transact all business of the Corporation.
- (b) The Directors shall have power and authority to hold an annual meeting of the Board of Directors and may likewise hold special meetings as may be determined by the Board of Directors. The annual meeting, if and when held, shall be held at a place designated by the

- Directors of the Corporation. Any special meetings may be held at such time as the Directors may determine.
- There shall be but two classes of membership in this Corporation. The (c) class of membership will be the members of the Board of Directors. The members of the Board of Directors will be the voting members. Only the Board of Directors will be authorized to vote. The Board of Directors will constitute the voting members of the Corporation and will have complete and total control of the Corporation as specified in the Articles of Incorporation. The second class of membership will be the participating members of the Corporation. Participating members of the Corporation will have no authority or voting rights. Participating members shall have no authority to (a) approve or recommend to members actions or proposals required by law to be approved by the members; (b) designate candidates for the office of Director, for the purposes of proxy solicitation or otherwise; (c) fill vacancies on the Board of Directors or any committee thereof; and (d) amend the Bylaws. Membership in this Corporation may be obtained by natural persons of all races, creeds, and colors, who shall publicly profess their belief in Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and who shall further profess their belief in the purposes of this organization as set forth herein above, and who shall thereafter be accepted into membership in such manner as provided by the Board of Directors of this Corporation. The subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation and the initial Directors of this Corporation shall be and constitute the initial members of this Corporation. Any Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be made, altered or rescinded only by the Board of Directors of this Corporation, having received the vote of a majority of the Board of Directors in office.
- (d) The Board of Directors shall have the authority and power, which is hereby given, to establish, institute, operate, and maintain any and all departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs, and/or any and all such other vehicles as may be deemed appropriate and advisable by said Board of Directors for the propagation of the Gospel and this Christian ministry anywhere within the United States of America and/or in any other country.
- (e) The Board of Directors of MFL shall have power and authority which is hereby given, to negotiate or designate agents to negotiate all of the business transactions, all receipts and all disbursements, for any such additional departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission

stations, programs, and/or any and all such other vehicles established or instituted by this Corporation.

(g) A majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction by the Board of Directors of any and all business, in accordance to the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE XIV: BY LAWS

The Board of Directors shall adopt By-Laws of the Corporation which are not inconsistent with these Articles.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscribing Incorporator has hereunto set his hand and seal this 27 day 1000, 2002 for the purpose of forming this not for profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

THARP SPÉNCÉR ROBERTS, III

(Incorporator)

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DUVAL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, an officer duly authorized in the state aforesaid and in the county aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared THARP SPENCER ROBERTS, III, who executed the foregoing instrument as Incorporator of MARRIAGE FOR LIFE, INC., a Not For Profit Corporation named herein, and acknowledged before me that he executed the same as such Incorporator, in the name of and on behalf of the said corporation. He is personally known to me or has produced ______ as identification and did (did not) take an oath.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, this

27 day of JONE, 2002.

(SEAL)

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THE STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM SERVICE OF PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

FILED SECRETARY OF SEITE TALLAHASSEE, FLEITE

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 48.091, FLORIDA STATUTES, T FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

First, that Marriage For Life, Inc., desiring to organize or qualify under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal place of business at 10005 Gate Parkway North, City of Jacksonville, State of Florida, 32246, has named C. HOLT SMITH, III, located at 233 East Bay Street, Suite 930, City of Jacksonville, State of Florida, 32202, as its Agent to accept service of process within Florida.

Marriage For Life, Inc.

DATED: June 27, 2002.

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY, AND I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES.

C. HOLT SMITH, HI Registered Agent

DATED: June <u>27</u>, 2002.