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UNITY NOW, INC.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
UNITY NOW, INC.

The undersigned persons, acting as incorporators of a corporation not-for-profit under the Florida not-for-profit corporation act, as set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I
Name

The name of this corporation is UNITY NOW, INC.

ARTICLE II
Initial Principal Office

The street address of the initial principal office of the corporation shall be 13575 - 58th Street North, Suite 187, Clearwater, Florida 34620.

ARTICLE III
Object and Purpose

The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended (the "Code), more specifically:

- A. Religious charitable and benevolent, scientific and educational and to conduct religious services and activities according to the rules, regulations, usages and disciplines of the Association of Unity Churches, a non-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, with headquarters located at 401 SW Oldham Parkway, Lee's Summit, MO 64081; and to cultivate social interaction among its members and to assist in improving the moral and spiritual conditions of humanity.

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- B. To purchase and sell such literature, including magazines, pamphlets, books, compact discs and tapes as in the opinion of the Ministers would be for the furtherance of its purposes and causes and which would meet with the approval of the Association of Unity Churches.
- C. To receive love offerings, tithes and contributions, to receive, manage, take and hold real, personal and/or mixed property by gift, devise or bequest, and to sell or dispose of the same for the benefit of this corporation.
- D. To purchase or sell, hypothecate, mortgage and lease such real and personal property as may be necessary for the purpose of the Corporation, and to execute deeds, contracts, agreements and obligations, the purposes whereof are consonant with the laws of the State of Florida under which this Corporation is formed, and to accept and execute any trust; the purpose whereof is lawful and to do each and everything necessary, suitable or proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes herein enumerated, or which may at any time appear conducive or expedient for the benefit or protection of the corporation.
- E. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, officer, director or incorporator of the corporation, but the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except to the extent permitted by the Code), and the corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statement) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- F. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall have the powers to carry out any and all activities in furtherance of any purpose for which the corporation may be organized, except to the extent that any power or purpose would not be permitted to be carried on:
 - 1) by an organization exempt from Federal income taxation under Section 501(c) of the Code or the corresponding provision of any future Federal income tax law, by reason of being described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code;
 - 2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(a) of the Code by reason of such corporation being described in Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

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ARTICLE IV
Membership

The members of the church shall be those persons who subscribe to the rules, regulations, usages and disciplines of this corporation and the Association of Unity Churches.

ARTICLE V
Term of Existence

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE VI
Names and Addresses of Incorporators

The names and address of the incorporators to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Name	Address
John McLaughlin	13575 - 58 th Street North, Suite 187 Clearwater, Florida 34620
Lauren McLaughlin	13575 - 58 th Street North, Suite 187 Clearwater, Florida 34620

ARTICLE VII
Management of Corporation and Time of Election or Appointment

The affairs of the Church shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Trustees, consisting of no fewer than three (3) persons, with the number elected each year and the period of service to be as provided in the Bylaws of the Church. All members of the Church shall be entitled to vote for the said trustees. The officers of this corporation shall be established by the Bylaws. All of said officers shall be elected by the Board of Trustees in the manner provided by the Bylaws. The management of the affairs of the Church shall be governed by such Bylaws as the Ministers and the Board of

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Trustees may, from time to time, adopt. Any proposed amendments shall be subject to ratification by both the Ministers and the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE VIII
Bylaws

The members of the Church shall have the right to make and adopt such Bylaws as they shall deem proper and advisable, and they may be amended, altered or repealed by the Church members in accordance with the provision in the Church Bylaws, as adopted.

ARTICLE IX
Amendments to Articles of Incorporation

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended, altered, changed or repealed in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by the Statutes of the State of Florida, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the Church, and all rights conferred upon officers, directors and members herein granted are subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE X
General Provisions

This corporation shall have all the powers and rights conferred upon it by Statute, including but not limited to, the following: to receive, take, hold, lease, buy, sell, mortgage and convey real estate and personal property; to enter into, make and perform contracts of every kind; and to make, accept, endorse, and issue promissory notes, and other negotiable or transferable instruments and evidences of indebtedness, whether secured by mortgage or otherwise, and as permitted by the Bylaws of the corporation.

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ARTICLE XI
Registered Agent and Registered Office

The initial registered agent and registered office of the corporation shall be as follows:

Registered Agent: JOHN McLAUGHLIN

Registered Office: 13575 - 58th Street North, Suite 187, Clearwater, FL 34628

ARTICLE XII
Property Dedicated to Religious Purposes

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, trustee, officer or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual, but the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes. The corporation is being formed to operate exclusively for religious purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as tax exempt organizations under that Code.

ARTICLE XIII
In Event of Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of this corporation:

- A. All of its assets of every kind and character shall be delivered to the Association of Unity Churches, a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Georgia, for religious and educational purposes.
- B. Such funds or property shall be for the use and benefit of the Association, as may be determined by the Board of Trustees, in alignment with current policies and procedures.

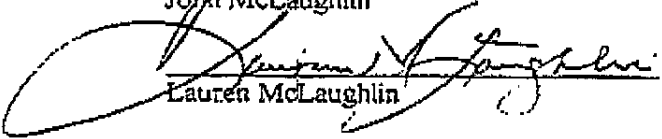
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- C. The Association shall make available, according to its current policies and procedures, funds for the re-establishment of a Unity church or center in Pinellas County, Florida.

Should the Association no longer exist, any remaining assets of this corporation after dissolution shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purpose or to such organization or organizations, as the court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for the purposes set out in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals and acknowledged to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, this 25th day of September, 2002.


John McLaughlin
Lauren McLaughlin

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF PINELLAS

Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared JOHN McLAUGHLIN and LAUREN McLAUGHLIN, to me well known to be the persons who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they signed the same for the uses and purposes stated therein. Said individuals ☒ are personally known to me, or ☐ produced the following identification: _____

WITNESS my hand and seal in the County and State aforesaid this 25th day of September, 2002.


Notary Public

My comm. expires: 8-17-05

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Seymour A. Gordon
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ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

I, JOHN McLAUGHLIN, of 13575 - 58th Street North, Suite 187, Clearwater, Florida 34620, hereby agree to serve as the Registered Agent for UNITY NOW, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation.


John McLaughlin

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF PINELLAS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, a notary public, personally appeared JOHN McLAUGHLIN, ☒ who is personally known to me, or ☐ who produced a Florida driver's license or _____, to me well known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Acceptance of Registered Agent and he acknowledged executing the same for the purposes expressed therein.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 25th day of September, 2002.


Notary Public

My comm. expires: 8-17-05



Seymour A. Gordon
MY COMMISSION # D0002226 EXPIRES
August 17, 2005
-POWER TRUST FIDELITY INSURANCE, INC.

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