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SUBJECT: Florida Vipassana Association, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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: Grant Ward

Name (Printed or typed)

2370 Merri Anne Drive

Address

Jacksonville, FL 32216

City, State & Zip

904.724.4452

Daytime Telephone number

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

Grant Ward GAVE
AUTHORIZATION BY PHONE TO
CORRECT Grant Ward
DATE 10/10/02
DOC. EXAM Grant Ward

QB 10/11

Articles of Incorporation

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1. Name of Corporation:

Florida Vipassana Association, Inc.

2. Effective date of incorporation:

Upon filing by the Secretary of State

3. Term of existence:

Perpetual

4. Purpose for which the nonprofit corporation is organized:

- a. The primary purpose of the corporation is to promote educational and religious activity as defined in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including, but not limited to the advancement of education, religion and non-sectarian spirituality through promoting, in accordance with the principles established by the late Sayagyi U Ba Khin, the study and practice of developing concentration of mind, insight and high standards of morality through the dissemination of non-sectarian religious teachings. In conjunction with this primary purpose, the corporation may establish and operate temporary and permanent centers, schools, colleges, libraries, institutions, courses and other facilities (including residential facilities) for the advancement of the non-sectarian religious teachings are aforesaid.
- b. The general purposes and powers are to have and exercise all rights and powers conferred on non-profit corporations under the laws of Florida, or which may hereafter be conferred, including the power to contract, rent, buy or sell personal or real property.
- c. Notwithstanding any of the above statements of purposes and powers, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purposes of this corporation.

5. Members and Directors

The corporation is organized on a directorship basis but shall also have no more than two members who shall initially be, Bruce and Maureen Stewart. Each member shall serve for such member's lifetime or until such member resigns or otherwise fails to serve. If one member resigns, or shall otherwise fail to serve, the remaining member may fill such vacancy. If the remaining member fails to fill the vacancy within 90 days, then the Board of directors may fill such vacancy. If both members resign or otherwise fail to serve, then the Board of Directors shall fill such vacancies. The members shall appoint the Board of Directors at the initial meeting of the corporation

and thereafter at the members annual meeting and have such other powers as provided for in the bylaws.

The business of the corporation shall be carried on through the Board of Directors and as provided in the bylaws of the corporation.

The private property of the incorporators, directors, and officers shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatsoever.

6. Pledge of assets and Indemnification

The corporation pledges its assets for use in performing its religious and charitable functions. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to or for the corporation affecting one or more of its purposes.

The corporation shall indemnify any person who was, is or is threatened to be made a defendant or respondent in a proceeding (as hereinafter defined) because the person (1) is or was a director or officer of the corporation or (2) while a director or officer of the corporation or an assistant teacher, senior assistant teacher or teacher of Vipassana meditation is or was serving at the request of the corporation in the furtherance of any of its corporate purposes.

7. Name and address of the corporation's initial registered office and its Florida State Registered Agent:

Name: Grant Ward

Address: 2370 Merri Anne Drive; Jacksonville, Florida 32216

The principal place of business is the same as the registered office.

8. Name and address of the incorporator:

Grant Ward


2370 Merri Anne Drive

Jacksonville, Florida 32216

9. In the event of a voluntary dissolution, the net assets will be distributed as follows:

The entire assets will be conveyed to the another U.S. non-profit corporation qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

10. Signature of incorporator


Grand Ward, Incorporator

Statement of Registered Agent

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I, Grant Ward, whose address is 2370 Merri Anne Drive, Jacksonville, Florida 32216 do hereby states as follows:

1. I agree that if I am designated as the registered agent of the Florida Vipassana Association, Inc., the non-profit corporation identified in the accompanying Article of Incorporation, by virtue of the Secretary of Florida registering such corporation, I will accept that appointment simultaneously with being designated.
2. I am familiar with the obligation of a registered agent under Article 617 of the Florida Corporate Statutes and hereby accept the obligations of that position.

Grant Ward

