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January 17, 2003

ST. SIMON THE TANNER COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH, INC. 10005 OASIS PALM DRIVE TAMPA, FL 33615

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Division of Corporations - P.O. BOX 6327 -Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Dear Carol

As we spoke on Tuesday January 21, 2003 regarding St. Simon the Tanner Coptic Orthodox church, I am sending to you the articles of incorporation changed in article III and on the third page is added as well the statement for the registered agent.

I thank you so much for your help and your cooperation.

Fr. Moussa Saleh The Registered Agent

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wy appointment expires 1/07/05

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

to

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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St. Simon The Tanner Coptic Orthodox Church, Inc.

(present name)
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Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Florida nonprofit corporation adopts the following articles of amendment to its articles of incorporation.
FIRST: Amendment(s) adopted: (INDICATE ARTICLE NUMBER (S) BEING AMENDED, ADDED OR DELETED.)
Articles added are enclosed to replace previous articles of SEC A COP STA
SECOND: The date of adoption of the amendment(s) was: <u>December 10. 2002</u> THIRD: Adoption of Amendment (CHECK ONE) Amendments continued
The amendment(s) was(were) adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval.
There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment. The amendment(s) was(were) adopted by the board of directors.
Fr. Moussa Sals
Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, President or other officer
Moussa Saleh
Typed or printed name
12/24/02
Title Date

Articles Of Incorporation Of

St. Simon The Tanner Coptic Orthodox Church, Inc.

(A Non-Profit Religious Corporation without members)

I.

The name of the Corporation is **St. Simon the Tanner Coptic Orthodox Church, Inc.**The address of the principal office of the Corporation is 3924 Meadow Creek Lane. Sarasota, FL. 34233

П.

The Corporation is a religious corporation and not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Non-Profit Religious Corporation Law primarily for religious purposes.

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The name and address in the State of Florida of the Corporation's initial agent frocess of:

laussa Salun | 1/21/03 Fr. Moussa Saleh 10005 Oasis Palm Tampa, FL 33615

IV.

The Corporation is organized for religious worship according to the principles of faith, mission, order and Uniform By-Laws for The Coptic Orthodox Churches of North America, as amended from time to time. The Corporation hereby adopts, for all purposes, and, subject to the provisions of Article V hereof, shall be governed by, said Uniform By-Laws for The Coptic Churches of North America, as amended from time to time.

V.

The Corporation will not have members. It will be governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of no less than three members. The Bishop of the Coptic Orthodox Diocese, or the Archbishop of the Coptic Orthodox Archdiocese, in which the place of worship of this incorporated Coptic Orthodox Church is located, and his successors in office, shall, by virtue of his office, be a trustee of this corporation. Two or more persons selected by the Bishop or Archbishop from among the priests and deacons of this church in the manner provided from time to time by rules and regulations of the Coptic Orthodox Church adopted by the Synodical Committee for the Coptic Churches in Immigration or by the Diocese or Archdiocese in which this corporation is located, shall also be trustees of this incorporated church, and the Bishop or Archbishop and the other such persons shall together constitute the Board of Trustees thereof.

The Trustees of this Coptic Orthodox Church shall exercise their powers in accordance with the rules, statutes, regulations and usages of the Coptic Church of Alexandria adopted by the Synodical Committee for the Coptic Churches in Immigration, provided, however, that no act or proceeding of the Trustees of this incorporated Church shall be valid without the approval of the Bishop of the Diocese, or the Archbishop of the Diocese, in which the place of worship of this corporation is located, or, in case of his absence or inability to act, without the approval of the vicar of such Diocese or Archdiocese.

VI.

- A. This Corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- B. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying or propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

VII.

The Property of this Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious or charitable purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this Corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this Corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Signature of Incorporated P.O. Box 1005

Colleyville, TX 76034-1005

His Grace Bishop Youssef Bishop Of The Coptic Orthodox Diocese Of The Southern United States Typed Name of Incorporator

I hereby declare that I am the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, which execution is my act and deed.

I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities and responsibilities and registed agent for ST. Simon the Tam Coptic authodox chundr in Sanasata, FL (Non-Coptic authodox chundr in Sanasata, FL (Non-Coptic authodox chundr in Sanasata, FL)