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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
FOR  
HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH  
INC.,**

**The undersigned, acting as incorporation(s) of a corporation to chapter 617,  
Florida Statutes. Adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation.**

**ARTICLE I NAME**

**The name of the corporation shall be: HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC  
TABERNACLE CHURCH INC.,(Please refer to Attachment "A")**

**ARTICLE II PRINCIPLE PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS**

**Principle Place of Business: 1231 HOLMES STREET  
COCOA, FLORIDA 32922**

**Principle Mailing Address:1231 HOLMES STREET  
COCOA, FLORIDA 32922**

**ARTICLE III PURPOSES(S)**

**The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized are:**

**The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual. The specific purpose and  
purposes for which the Corporation are organized are as follows:**

**HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., shall  
provide spiritual places of worship for anyone who desires a deeper walk and  
personal relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. HOPE  
DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., shall establish  
accredited Christian schools, which shall meet state and federal standards, ranging  
from K to Doctorate levels. (Please refer to Attachment "1A", ARTICLE III  
Purpose Continued-Bylaws Article III-VII).**

**ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

**The manner in which the directors are selected or appointed is as follows:  
(Please to Attachment "1B"-Bylaws Article II-V)**

**ARTICLE V LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS**

**The corporation powers of this corporation are as provided in section 617.0302, Florida  
Statutes, unless limited as follows:**

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**ARTICLE V INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

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

**Bishop Oliver Jenkins, Sr.  
1231 Holmes Street  
Cocoa, Florida 32922**

**The physical address of this corporation shall be:**

**1231 Holmes Street  
Cocoa, Florida 32922**

**The registered agent for HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH  
INC., shall be Bishop Oliver Jenkins, Sr. with a physical address of**

**1231 Holmes Street  
Cocoa, Florida 32922**

**ARTICLES VII INCORPORATORS**

**The names and street addresses of the incorporators of the Articles of Incorporation are**

**BISHOP OLIVER JENKINS SR., PRESIDENT  
1231 HOLMES STREET  
COCOA, FLORIDA 32922**

**GERALDINE JENKINS, VICE PRESIDENT  
1231 HOLMES STREET  
COCOA, FLORIDA 32922**

**TERRELL JENKINS, SECRETARY  
1231 HOLMES STREET  
COCOA, FLORIDA 32922**

**RHONDA JENKINS, TREASURER  
1231 HOLMES STREET  
COCOA, FLORIDA 32922**

**ASHANTI JENKINS, FINANCIAL SECRETARY  
1231 HOLMES STREET  
COCOA, FLORIDA 32922**

**Please refer to Attachment "1C"-Article VII Incorporators Continued)**

**The undersigned incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this March 3,  
2003.**

I ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT.

Bishop Oliver Jenkins Bishop Oliver Jenkins, Sr.  
Incorporator/Registered Agent  
Geraldine Jenkins Geraldine Jenkins  
Terrell Jenkins Terrell Jenkins  
Rhonda Jenkins Rhonda Jenkins  
Ashanti Jenkins Ashanti Jenkins

(ATTACHMENT "1A")

**ARTICLE III PURPOSES (CONTINUED)**

**HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., shall strive to fulfill the total man via food and shelter programs, child abuse, and elderly abuse center. To create Christian awareness via the following media: Music, writing, and the Arts. To aid in balancing the results of the woes imparted upon society as a result of obedience.**

**HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., shall establish drug abuse centers, half-way houses for traditional offenders, and marriage and family counseling centers.**

**It is also our corporation's goal to acquire land for the purpose of housing low-income families, agricultural farms, and Christian shopping malls.**

**HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., shall promote the gospel via teaching tapes, corresponding Bible Studies, television, telecommunications, radio, and other legal media.**

**It is our "GOAL" to create a worldwide network of powerful Christian churches and entrepreneurs connecting via various media, which shall infuse the Body of Christ as a powerful entity.**

**With the approval of the 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., purposes to receive federal grants, philanthropic benevolences, and food from governmental food closets, the making of distribution to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of corresponding sections of any further federal tax code.**

**HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC.,  
ATTACHMENT "1B"**

**CONTAINING BYLAWS ARTICLES II-V**

**A meeting was held by the Board of Elders on January 1, 2003 at 1231 HOLMES STREET, in the city of COCOA, FLORIDA. This meeting was for the sole purpose of creating Bylaws for HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC.**

It was voted on and approved by 2/3 of the body that the Board of Elders will consist of no less than three (3) members and no more than seven (7) members at any given time. In the event the Board of Elders becomes even in number, an emergency meeting will be called and then the procedure in Article V shall be used to restore the Board to an even number.

HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., travailed in birth officially on January 1, 2003, in Cocoa, Florida. The spiritual birth brought forth the appointment of the following officers: Overseer Bishop Oliver Jenkins Sr., serving as Senior Pastor of the Headquarters church.

The founder of HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC. was the Holy Spirit of God requesting the Body of Christ to meet the needs of His people.

The following officers and positions were created with limited appointments at that time. Chief Executive Officer and President, Bishop Oliver Jenkins Sr.. The following positions were developed; however appointments will be made at a later date: Executive Administrator, Senior Executive Administrator, International Mother, Junior Executive Administrator; & Presiding Elder.\*

\*Note: The aforementioned position guidelines can be found in the Bylaws under duties of the Spiritual Officers.

### **ARTICLE III- DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF ELDERS**

The Board of Elders shall serve as the judicial and policy making body of HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC. The Board of Elders shall govern the disciplinary procedures for all the members of HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE INC, that have been brought up on infractions.

### **ARTICLE III- OFFICERS, TERMS, & ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF ELDERS**

The Overseer will serve as Chairperson of the Board of Elders and Co-Chairperson, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be voted in with 2/3 of the Body's approval.

The Co-Chairperson's term shall be for a seven (7) year period. He/she may be reinstated at the end of the seven (7) year tenure as Co-Chairperson with 2/3 approval from the Board of Elders.

The Secretary's term shall be three (3) years in duration with no longer than a five (5) year tenure. The treasurer's term shall be seven (7) years in duration, with a consecutive term of no longer than seven (7) years.

The initial Board shall be appointed by the Overseer and after a vacancy occurs, the vacancy shall be filled by 2/3 votes of the Board of Elders with final approval by the Overseer.

The procedure for replenishing the Board of Elders shall be the procedure referred to in Article V of the Bylaws.

### **ARTICLE III- ISSUANCE OF LICENSES**

The Board of Elders shall also be responsible to review and approve or invalidate all licenses issued by HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC. Licenses will only be reviewed by the Board of Elders twice per annual unless otherwise approved by the Overseer. Licenses will be issued at the General Assembly, the first week in October, and Winter Jubilee which shall be held the week of February 29<sup>th</sup> through March 4<sup>th</sup>.

In the event that an ordained pastor from another ministry enters into HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., with the sole purpose of pasturing a work within HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., and the Board of Elders is unable to convene for the purpose of issuing a license, then the Overseer may issue the license to the pastor. However, each Board member must be notified and the church Body of the appointment.

It shall be further stated that even though the Overseer shall make the appointment of the new pastor, the new pastor must submit to taking the Pastoral Test, and must score no less than 90%.

\*Please note the only time that the Board of Elders will review candidates for licensing will be:

- a. General Assembly which shall be the 1<sup>st</sup> week of October of each year.
- b. Spring Jubilee which shall be held the week of February 28<sup>th</sup> through March 4<sup>th</sup> of each year.

### **ARTICLE III D-CANDIDATE ORDINATION**

No candidate for ordination shall be ordained with 2/3 vote of approval from the Board of Elders and the final approval by the Overseer, or Board of Elders shall be official unless stamped by the Church Seal and signed by the Overseer, one Board Member, and the Secretary.

### **ARTICLE III E MAJOR ACQUISITIONS**

The Board of Elders shall be responsible to review all major acquisitions, mortgages, leases, contracts. Or any other legal documents and policies that involve HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., in the relationship of negotiating any type of contract without written authorization from the Board of Elders or the Overseer, he/she will be considered as an insubordinate and will be subject to disciplinary action via the Board of Elders.

### **ARTICLE III F- HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC.**

Let it be stated that all property or merchandise must be purchased in the name of the organization, and once said property has been purchased, it shall become the sole property of HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC.

### **ARTICLE III G- LOCAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY**

In the event that a local parish desires to purchase or engage in any financial transactions which will obligate HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., the pastor must submit Form 700 to the Head Trustee of the parish. The Head Trustee will then be responsible to submit the Acquisition for Request of Purchase within seven (7) working days to the Board of Elders.

### **ARTICLE III H- SIGNING OF CONTRACTS**

#### **(WHO SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL)**

It has been approved and voted on by the majority of the Board of Elders on January 28, 2003, that no one person such as pastors, laypersons, or individual Board Members shall sign any said contract to represent HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC., they must follow the following steps for approval:

- a. Must be reviewed by legal counsel (preferably legal counsel for the organization.)
- b. Must receive a majority vote of 2/3 majority for approval
- c. Contract must be signed by the Overseer and at least one other authorized representative of HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC.- Must be a member of the Board of Elders or Chairperson of the Trustee Board.

### **ARTICLE III I-PERIODIC REVIEW OF BYLAWS**

To ensure the effectiveness of the legality of the Bylaws and policies of the organization to comply with governmental regulations and the organizational needs of the body, a policy meeting shall be

called at least once every seven(7) years unless otherwise requested earlier by the Overseer, Board of elders, or the Church Body.

If the need arises to change a given policy or Bylaw within the organization before the seven (7) year policy review, then the Board of Elders will call an emergency policy meeting to discuss amendments, deletions, and revisions of set policies.

#### **ARTICLE IV-SEMIANNUAL FINANCIAL MEETING**

It has been voted on and approved by the majority of the Board of Elders that at least three (3) Board Members must be present at the semiannual meeting of the organization.

It is also the responsibility of the Board of Elders to review the quarterly Financial Statement which shall be prepared by the Senior Financial Officer before it is presented to the Church Body.

#### **HOPE DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE CHURCH INC.,**

#### **ATTACHMENT "C"**

#### **(CONTAINING ARTICLE VII INCORPORATORS, CONTINUED**

#### **ARTICLE V FILLING BOARD VACANCIES**

Whenever a vacancy occurs within the Board of Elders, the following procedures will be used to fill the vacancy. In the forming of a suitable eligibility list, the following candidates will be considered: Apostles, Bishops, and Elders that are in good standing and have not had a derogatory evaluation in the last 5 years. Whenever a vacancy occurs within the Board of Elders, and it causes the number of members of the Body to become even or beneath three (3) members, then an emergency meeting of the Board will be held to begin the process for selecting new Body members.

The members of the Board of Elders shall be perpetual unless they have been brought up on charges of infractions.

The Overseer shall be perpetual.



The selection process to replenish the Board of Elders shall not exceed thirty (30) calendar days. Once the selection and appointments have been made by the Board of Elders, it shall then be the responsibility of the Secretary of the Board of Elders to notify the Body of appointments made by the Board of Elders.

#### **ARTICLE VI- REMOVAL OF A BOARD MEMBER**

In the event that a Board Member has been brought up on infractions and found guilty, he/she shall be removed permanently from the Board of Elders.

If the board member has been involved in any scandals within the organization or has indirectly or directly caused a blemish within the organization, he/she shall be brought up for grounds of dismissal within the Body of the Board of Elders. When a board member is dismissed as a result of misconduct, the entire organization shall be notified via writing within seven (7) working days.

#### **ARTICLE VII- VACATIONS**

It is also the responsibility of the Board of Elders and Pastors to sponsor an annual vacation for the Overseer.

The vacation time for the head ecclesiastic will be the week following the General Assembly. The Board of Elders shall be responsible for the roundtrip air fare, food, expense money (no less than \$1,500.00), hotel, and/or cruise expense.

The Personal Administrator of the Overseer shall be responsible for the vacation arrangements.

The Chairperson for the Senior Elder vacation shall be voted upon annually by the Board of Elders

The benefits for these positions shall be reviewed for a possible update within two (2) years, or whenever the organization has reached a state of financial stability.

#### **ARTICLE VIII-DEPARTURE FROM MINISTRY**

Each person if they so desire to leave the ministry, must start again at ground level.

They must take Bible classes and be set aside for a period of one (1) year.

Must be in good standing with their tithes and offering and religiously educate their children.