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**TO:** Amendment Section  
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**NAME OF CORPORATION:** St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Church of SW. Florida, INC

**DOCUMENT NUMBER:** N03000009617

The enclosed *Articles of Amendment* and fee are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Nevine Gadallah, Secretary

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St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Church of SW Florida, Inc

(Firm/ Company)

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For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Nevine Gadallah, secretary

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Articles of Amendment  
to  
Articles of Incorporation  
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SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Church of SW Florida, Inc

(Name of Corporation as currently filed with the Florida Dept. of State)

N03000009617

(Document Number of Corporation (if known))

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, this *Florida Not For Profit Corporation* adopts the following amendment(s) to its Articles of Incorporation:

**A. If amending name, enter the new name of the corporation:**

N/A

*The new name must be distinguishable and contain the word "corporation" or "incorporated" or the abbreviation "Corp." or "Inc." "Company" or "Co." may not be used in the name.*

**B. Enter new principal office address, if applicable:**

N/A

(Principal office address **MUST BE A STREET ADDRESS**)

**C. Enter new mailing address, if applicable:**

N/A

(Mailing address **MAY BE A POST OFFICE BOX**)

**D. If amending the registered agent and/or registered office address in Florida, enter the name of the new registered agent and/or the new registered office address:**

*Name of New Registered Agent:* N/A

(Florida street address)

*New Registered Office Address:*

(City)

Florida

(Zip Code)

**New Registered Agent's Signature, if changing Registered Agent:**

*I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of the position.*

*Signature of New Registered Agent, if changing*

**If amending the Officers and/or Directors, enter the title and name of each officer/director being removed and title, name, and address of each Officer and/or Director being added:**

*(Attach additional sheets, if necessary)*

*Please note the officer/director title by the first letter of the office title:*

*P = President; V= Vice President; T= Treasurer; S= Secretary; D= Director; TR= Trustee; C = Chairman or Clerk; CEO = Chief Executive Officer; CFO = Chief Financial Officer. If an officer/director holds more than one title, list the first letter of each office held. President, Treasurer, Director would be PTD.*

*Changes should be noted in the following manner. Currently John Doe is listed as the PST and Mike Jones is listed as the V. There is a change, Mike Jones leaves the corporation, Sally Smith is named the V and S. These should be noted as John Doe, PT as a Change, Mike Jones, V as Remove, and Sally Smith, SV as an Add.*

Example:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change	<u>PT</u>	<u>John Doe</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Remove	<u>V</u>	<u>Mike Jones</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Add	<u>SV</u>	<u>Sally Smith</u>

<u>Type of Action</u> (Check One)	<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
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**E. If amending or adding additional Articles, enter change(s) here:**  
*(attach additional sheets, if necessary). (Be specific)*

Please see attached Amendment

The date of each amendment(s) adoption: 04/21/2016, if other than the date this document was signed.

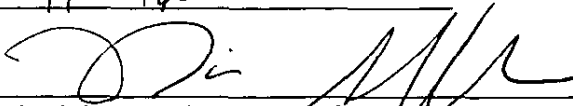
Effective date if applicable: 04/21/2016  
(no more than 90 days after amendment file date)

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**Adoption of Amendment(s) (CHECK ONE)**

- ☒ The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval.
- ☐ There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment(s). The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the board of directors.

Dated 4/22/2016

Signature   
(By the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer-if directors have not been selected, by an incorporator – if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary by that fiduciary)

Nevine Gadallah  
(Typed or printed name of person signing)

Secretary  
(Title of person signing)

**CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
ST. MARK COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH OF SW FLORIDA, INC.**

Entity Information

The name of the filing entity is ST. MARK COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH OF SW. FLORIDA, INC. a Florida nonprofit corporation formed on October 30, 2003, and whose document number issued by Florida Division of Corporation is N03000009617.

Amendment

The following amendments to the Articles of Incorporation were adopted by a majority vote of the board of directors:

Amend Article VIII and Article IX to read as follows:

ARTICLE VIII

The Coptic Orthodox Church defines marriage as one of the seven Mysteries (Sacraments) of the Church, officiated by a consecrated Coptic Orthodox bishop, priest, or both (or other Orthodox bishop, priest, or both, who is/are in full communion with the Coptic Orthodox Church), in good standing, uniting one man and one woman. The Coptic Orthodox Church defines a man as a human being having the reproductive sexual organs of a male from birth, and the Coptic Orthodox Church defines a woman as a human being having the reproductive sexual organs of a female from birth.

ARTICLE IX

The Coptic Orthodox Church shall take no action(s) contrary to the rules, statutes, regulations and usages of the Coptic Orthodox Church of Alexandria adopted by the Holy Synod of the Coptic Orthodox Church as well as the Synodical Committee for the Coptic Orthodox Churches in the land of Immigration..

Statement of Approval

The foregoing amendments to the Articles of Incorporation have been approved in the manner required by the Florida Business Organizations Code and by the governing documents of the Corporation. This document becomes effective when filed by the Florida Secretary of State.

Execution

The undersigned signs this document subject to the penalties imposed by law for the submission of a materially false or fraudulent instrument.

ST. MARK COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH OF SW. FLORIDA



Nevine Gadallah, Board Secretary