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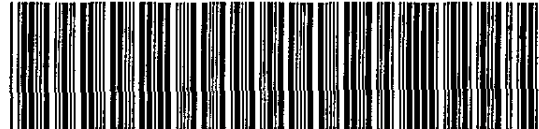
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DROLMA BUDDHIST CENTER

A MEMBER OF THE NEW KADAMPA TRADITION - INTERNATIONAL KADAMPA BUDDHIST UNION

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR ~ GESHE KELSANG GYATSO

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May 12, 2004

Department of State
Division of Corporations
Corporate Filings
PO Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing as the Registered Agent to file to incorporate Drolma Buddhist Center.

I enclose two copies of the Articles of Incorporation for Drolma Buddhist Center, and I also enclose a check for \$78.75 to process the filing.

Thank you for your consideration

Yours faithfully,

John de la Cruz
Incorporator

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Drolma Buddhist Center, Inc.

A Florida Corporation Not for Profit

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Article 1.

The name of the corporation is Drolma Buddhist Center, Inc.

Article 2.

This corporation is a nonprofit religious corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act exclusively for religious purposes. The specific purpose for which this corporation is organized is promotion of the Buddhist Faith under the spiritual guidance of the elected General Spiritual Director of the New Kadampa Tradition principally through the activities of teaching, study, practice and the observance of moral discipline all within the Buddhist tradition of Je Tsongkhapa as taught by Venerable Geshe Kelsang Gyatso, the Founder of the New Kadampa Tradition, through the three New Kadampa Tradition Study Programs: (1) The General Program; (2) the Foundation Program; and (3) the Teacher Training Program as defined in the bylaws.

In accordance with Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act § 617.0202(2)(i), this corporation is created under the authority of the New Kadampa Tradition and shall follow the *Internal Rules of the New Kadampa Tradition*. The Spiritual Director of Drolma Buddhist Center, Inc. shall always be the elected General Spiritual Director of the New Kadampa Tradition.

The New Kadampa Tradition is defined as the union of Kadampa Buddhist Centers, the international association of study and meditation centers that follow the pure tradition of Mahayana Buddhism derived from the Buddhist meditator and scholar Je Tsongkhapa, introduced into the West by the Buddhist teacher Venerable Geshe Kelsang Gyatso; and that follow the three New Kadampa Tradition Study Programs defined in Article 2 of the Bylaws; and that are guided by the code of moral discipline called the *Internal Rules of the New Kadampa Tradition*.

Article 3.

- (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) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation, and the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (C)(3) of the

Internal Revenue Code, or (2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (C)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

- (c) No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and this corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including publishing or distributing statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or opposition to any candidate for public office.

Article 4.

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes, specifically to the promotion of Buddhism of the New Kadampa Tradition, as defined in Article 2, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of its directors, trustees, officers, teachers, members, or to any individual. Pursuant to the *Internal Rules of the New Kadampa Tradition*, the Spiritual Director of the corporation shall have the authority to prevent the misuse of the corporation's property in accomplishing this purpose.

Whenever this corporation's authorization is withdrawn by the Spiritual Director pursuant to the *Internal Rules of the New Kadampa Tradition*, this corporation shall dissolve and carry out all activities necessary to affect such dissolution.

On the winding up and dissolution of this corporation, for whatever reason, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the corporation, the Spiritual Director of the corporation shall have the authority to distribute the remaining assets of this corporation to an organization (or organizations) whose objects are exactly the same as the objects of this corporation and that is tax exempt under Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenues Code.

Article 5.

Neither Article 2, the general and specific purposes of this corporation, nor this Article 5 may be changed without the formal written permission of the Spiritual Director of the corporation and without the unanimous agreement of all members of the corporation in general meeting.

Article 6.

The manner in which Directors of this corporation are to be elected is set forth in the corporation's bylaws.

Article 7.

The names and addresses of the initial Directors of this corporation are as follows:

Dianne de la Cruz	8401 SW 107 th Avenue #168E, Miami, FL 33173
William McLean	1785 N. Andrews Square #306, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311
Jack H. Schneider	8773 NW 27 th Street, Coral Springs, FL 33065
Michael P. Stiles	2825 NE 21 st Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306

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Article 8.

The street address of the initial principal office of this corporation is:

2946 South University Drive, #7210
Davie, FL 33328

Article 9.

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent of this corporation is:

John de la Cruz
8401 SW 107th Avenue #168E
Miami, FL 33173

Article 10.

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

John de la Cruz
8401 SW 107th Avenue #168E
Miami, FL 33173

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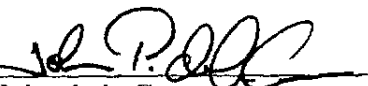


John de la Cruz, Incorporator

MAY 12, 2004
Date

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Registered Agent:



John de la Cruz

MAY 12, 2004
Date