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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

SAINT MARY'S MALANKARA ORTHODOX CONGREGATION, INC.

The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, natural persons competent to contract, nereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a not-for-profit corporation under Chapters 617, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE ONE

NAME

The name of the Corporation is Saint Mary's Malankara Orthodox Congregation, Inc.

ARTICLE TWO

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The initial street address and mailing address of the Corporation's principal offices is 4632 Anaconda Drive, New Port Richey, Florida 34655.

ARTICLE THREE

DURATION

The term of existence of the Corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE FOUR

<u>PURPOSE</u>

The principal objectives and purposes for which this Corporation is organized are as follows:

(a) To enable members to congregate to worship God, propagate the Indian Orthodox faith, and to work among local and Indian communities as a charitable institution.

- (b) To solicit, request, ask for, raise, collect and accept contributions, donations, funds, allocations, appropriations, and gifts of money and property of every kind for the purpose of funding the museum described in (a) above.
- (c) For charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).

Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein to the contrary, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).

ARTICLE FIVE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Section 1. The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than three (3) Directors but may be any number in excess thereof. Directors shall be elected or removed in accordance with the procedure provided in the Bylaws. The names and street addresses of the initial Directors of the Corporation are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	Address
George Geevarghese	4632 Anaconda Drive New Port Richey, Florida 34655
John Mathew	4632 Anaconda Drive New Port Richey, Florida 34655
Shony Easow	2013 River Crossing Drive Valrico, Florida 33594

Section 2. The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents, a Secretary / Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize in the By-Laws. Officers shall be elected and shall hold office in the manner provided in by the Bylaws of the Corporation. The initial officers of the Corporation shall be as follows:

Name	<u>Office</u>
George Geevarghese	President
John Mathew	Vice President
Shony Easow	Secretary / Treasurer
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ARTICLE SIX

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Corporation shall be open to individuals as provided in the Corporation's By-Laws.

ARTICLE SEVEN

INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator is Shony Easow, 2013 River Crossing Drive, Valrico, Florida 33594.

ARTICLE EIGHT

LIABILITY

None of the directors or officers of the Corporation shall be personally liable for its debts, liabilities or obligations.

ARTICLE NINE

INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this not for profit corporation is 4632 Anaconda Drive, New Port Richey, Florida 34655 and the name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address is Shony Easow.

ARTICLE TEN

AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation shall be amended or additional provisions added or adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Members provided that notice thereof, which shall include the text of the Articles of Incorporation change, has been furnished in writing to each Member of the Corporation at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting at which such Articles of Incorporation change is to be voted upon, followed by the compliance with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, relating to amendments to articles of incorporation of not-for-profit corporations.

ARTICLE ELEVEN

DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or specific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of general jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusive for such purposes.

ARTICLE TWELVE

NO STOCK TO BE ISSUED

The Corporation is organized on a nonstock basis. The Corporation shall not issue any stock.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN

NO PRIVATE INUREMENT

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or their private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Four hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidates for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code) of (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).

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ARTICLE FOURTEEN

OTHER PROHIBITIONS

- (a) The Corporation will distribute its income for each tax year at such time and in such manner so that it will not become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).
- (b) The Corporation will not engage in any act of self dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).
- (c) The Corporation will not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).
- (d) The Corporation will not make any investments in a manner that would subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).
- (e) The Corporation will not make any taxable expenditure as defined in Section 4945(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporators of the Corporation has executed these Articles of Incorporation this $\frac{2}{2}$ day of May, 2004.

SHONY EASOW, INCORPORATOR

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 617.0501 and 48.091, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is:

SAINT MARY'S MALANKARA ORTHODOX CONGREGATION, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

SHONY EASOW 2013 RIVER CROSSING DRIVE VALRICO, FLORIDA 33594

> Name: Shony Easow Title: Incorporator Date: May 2 /, 2004

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. FURTHER, I CERTIFY THAT I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES, INCLUDING THE DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 617.0503, FLORIDA STATUTES, RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES.

Name: Shony Easow Title: Registered Agent

Date: May 2/, 2004