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**SUBJECT:** Sophia Community, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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**FROM:** Craig A. Mears  
Name (Printed or typed)

572 Magnolia St.  
Address

Neptune Beach, FL 32266-3732  
City, State & Zip

(904) 363-5158  
Daytime Telephone number

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

## **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

The undersigned incorporator(s), a natural person 18 years of age or older, in order to form a corporate entity adopts the following articles of incorporation.

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### **ARTICLE I NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be:

**Sophia Community, Inc.**

### **ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

572 Magnolia St.  
Neptune Beach, Florida 32266.

### **ARTICLE III PURPOSE**

This corporation is organized exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific and educational purposes, more specifically to provide routine worship, teaching, healing and discipleship experiences of the teachings of Master Jesus. To this end, the corporation shall at all times be operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended. All funds, whether income or principal, and whether acquired by gift or contribution or otherwise, shall be devoted to said purposes.

### **ARTICLE IV EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS**

At all times shall the following operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the corporation:

1. The corporation shall not afford pecuniary gain, incidentally or otherwise to its members. No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member of the corporation, except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation affecting one or more of its purposes. Such net earnings, if any, of this corporation shall be used to carry out the nonprofit corporate purposes set forth in Article II above.

2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on

of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other 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 of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended.

#### **ARTICLE V DURATION**

The duration of the corporate existence shall be perpetual.

#### **ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP/BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The corporation shall have no members. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors, as defined in the corporation's bylaws. No Director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation.

The number of Directors constituting the first Board of Directors is four (4), their names and addresses being as follows:

Name Address

W. Joe Hall  
916 15<sup>th</sup> Ave. North  
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250-4794

Pauline Richards  
1302 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. North  
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250-3638

Maureen Buik  
228 Myra St.  
Neptune Beach, FL 32266-4837

Craig A. Mears  
572 Magnolia St.  
Neptune Beach, FL 32266-3732

Members of the first Board of Directors shall serve until the first annual meeting, at which their successors are duly elected and qualified, or removed as provided in the bylaws.

### **ARTICLE VII PERSONAL LIABILITY**

No officer, or Director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the officer, or Directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

### **ARTICLE VIII DISSOLUTION**

At the time of dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all debts, obligations, liabilities, costs and expenses of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation. In no case shall a disposition be made which would not qualify as a charitable contribution under Section 170(c)(1) or (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, in such manner as the Board of Directors shall determine.

### **ARTICLE IX INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

Craig A. Mears  
572 Magnolia St.  
Neptune Beach, FL 32266-3732

### **ARTICLE X INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Craig A. Mears  
572 Magnolia St.  
Neptune Beach, FL 32266-3732

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.

Craig A. Mears  
Signature/Registered Agent

8/27/04  
Date

Craig A. Mears  
Signature/Incorporator

8/27/04  
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