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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

# BROTHERS SERVING CHRIST, INC.

The undersigned, all of whom are citizens of the United States of America, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, do hereby certify:

#### Article I - Name

The name of the Corporation shall be Brothers Serving Christ, Inc.

#### Article II - Principal Office

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 3679 Webber Street, Sarasota, Florida 34232.

#### <u>Article III – Purpose</u>

The Corporation is formed exclusively for charitable and religious purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as a Christian based ministry serving the global community through charitable programs and events.

# Article IV - Manner of Election of Directors

A Board of Directors shall be elected in the following manner:

- Up to eleven directors shall serve three-year terms. The initial directors shall serve one-year, two-year, and three-year staggered terms so that no more than approximately one-third of the directors stand for election in any year.
- The Board of Directors shall nominate a slate of candidates in October of each year. Any number of candidates may be nominated for each

Director's seat. The Board of Directors shall vote on the slate of candidates in November of each year. The term of office shall commence on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year.

- A Director may be removed for cause by a simple majority vote of the remaining Directors.
- 4. The Board will have the authority to appoint replacements to serve the remaining term of a Director who resigns or is removed from office.

#### Article V - Initial Directors and Officers

The name and street address of the directors and officers of the Corporation are as

#### follows:

Kevin E. Mathis, President 3679 Webber Street Sarasota, FL 34232

Gary Mattox, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President 3679 Webber Street Sarasota, FL 34232

Robert Sladky, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President 3679 Webber Street Sarasota, FL 34232

Gregg Warmbier, Secretary 3679 Webber Street Sarasota, FL 34232

Larry Magill, Treasurer 3679 Webber Street Sarasota, FL 34232

#### Article VI - Initial Registered Agent and Street Address

The name and street address of the registered agent is: Kevin E. Mathis, 3679 Webber Street, Sarasota, FL 34232.

#### Article VII - Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is: Kevin E. Mathis, 3679 Webber Street, Sarasota, FL 34232.

#### Article VIII - Non-Profit Status

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, officers, directors, or other 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 III 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 or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### Article IX - Distribution of Assets Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any

such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court Of Competent Jurisdiction of 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 exclusively for such purposes.

## Article X - Amendment

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions in these articles of incorporation in the manner provided by law.

KEVIN E. MATHIS

Date

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF <u>X</u>

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on the <u>B</u> day of

2005 by KEVIN E. MATHIS

Notary Public

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.

Signature/Registered Agent

Date