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# **HOPE IN CHRIST, INC.**

| Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for: |  |             |  |  |  |  |
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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statues, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a not for profit Corporation:

# **ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation shall be:

# HOPE IN CHRIST, INC.

#### ARTICLE II

# Principal place of business and mailing address

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

Principle Office:

9290 E. Daffodil Lane

Miramar, FL 33025

Mailing Address:

7161 Pembroke Road. #600

Pembroke Pines, FL 33023

#### ARTICLE III

# Purpose(s)

The specific purpose(s) for which the corporation is organized is (are):

- a) The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational/literary, and/or scientific purposes under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1986.
- b) To give funds and property to other organizations to be used or held for use directly in carrying out one or more such purposes.
- c) To acquire, own, purchase, lease, dispose of and deal with real personal property and interest, either absolutely or in trust therein and to apply gifts, grants, bequests, and devises and the proceeds thereof in furtherance of the purposes of the corporation.

- d) To do such things and to perform such acts to accomplish its purposes as the Board of Directors may determine to be appropriate and as are not forbidden by section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue code, with all powers conferred on a not for profit corporations under the law of the State of Florida.
  - e) The corporation is a not-for-profit corporation organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes, is not formed for pecuniary profit or financial gain, and no part of the assets, income, or profits of the corporation is distributable to or inures to the benefit of its members, trustees, or officers or any private person. The whole purpose for which the corporation is organized is to promote the cause of the Christian Religion and to educate others and not for any pecuniary gain.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

# Limitation of corporation powers

The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in section 617.0302. Florida Statues as a 501 (c) (3) corporation. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization except from Federal Income Tax, under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

The corporation shall enforce that no part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization 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 the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

#### **ARTICLE V**

# Manner of election of directors or members

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is as follows:

There shall be an annual meeting of the members of the corporation at which time the members shall elect officers and other members of the governing board:

The governing board must consist of at least three members for a nonprofit corporation. It shall include the president, the vice president, secretary, treasurer and such other members, all of whom shall satisfy the standards of the corporation. The Governing Board shall be the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

# INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Directors or Members of the governing board are:

Firmie Simpson, Pres./Treas. 9290 E. Daffodil Lane Miramar, FL 33025

Adley K. Francois, V. Pres. 9290 E. Daffodil Lane Miramar, FL 33025

> John St. Louis, D. 9290 E. Daffodil Lane Miramar, FL 33025

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# **ARTICLE VII**

# The registered agent and street address

The name of the street address of the initial registered agent is:

Laurna Williams 7161 Pembroke Rd. # 600 Pembroke Pines, FL 33023

# CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED

#### AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant of the provisions of section 607.0501 or 617.0501. Florida statues, 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.

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Signature of Laurna Williams

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Stock

The corporation is an organization under a non-stock basis

#### ARTICLE IX

# **Property**

The property of this organization is irrevocably dedicated to education and church purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this non-profit corporation shall ever inure the benefit of any directors, officers or members thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

# **ARTICLE X**

# Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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 disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator have executed these Articles of Incorporation this:

| <u>14</u> | of | <u>February</u> | 2007 |
|-----------|----|-----------------|------|
| Day       |    | Month           |      |

Signature of Incorporator is;

Signature of Firmie Simpson, Pres./Treas.

9290 E. Daffodil Lane Miramar, FL 33025