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#### **COVER LETTER**

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

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FROM: JOSE THOMAS, C.P.A.

Name (Printed or typed)

9710 Stieling Rd; Suit #101

Cooper City, Florida 33024

City, State & Zip

THOMAS & COMPANY, C.P.A., P.A. 9710 STIRLING ROAD, SUITE #101, COOPER CITY, FL 33024

435-7272 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)

### **ARTICLE I NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be: **KNANAYA CATHOLIC MISSION OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.** (Hereinafter referred to as the Mission or Church or Parish). The members of this corporation are the Knanaya Catholics of South Florida.

# **ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business address:

8670 Byron Ave. Miami Beach, Florida 33141

The mailing address of the corporation:

9710 Stirling Road Suite # 101 Cooper City, Florida 33024

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#### **ARTICLE III PURPOSE**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized:

The Mission is organized exclusively for providing religious and educational instruction, and charitable assistance within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law). The Mission will pursue these objectives by:

- (a) Following the constitution and policies and procedures of the St. Thomas Syro-Malabar Catholic Diocese of Chicago.
- (b) Conducting liturgical services in Syro-Malabar Rite and educational programs about religion, culture, morals, heritage, social developments and traditional nature of Knanaya Catholicism;
- (c) Conducting programs to teach history, heritage and traditions of Knanaya Catholics;
- (d) Providing charitable assistance in order to preserve the religious, cultural, moral, social heritage and traditional nature of Knanaya Catholicism;
- (e) Encouraging and providing assistance to others with similar purposes;

- (f) Publishing educational information, including a newsletter and a community directory for distribution to our members;
- (g) Engage in socio-cultural and economic development for the weaker sections of Knanaya and non Knanaya people irrespective of cast, creed or race; and,
- (h) Doing all things necessary to accomplish the objectives of any religious, educational, or charitable organization within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- (i) No pecuniary gain or profit and no part of this mission's assets or contributions given to it shall inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, director, officer or other private person except that the payment and distribution in furtherance of the purposes of the article III.

# ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which directors are elected or appointed is:

Election / Nomination

# ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the Mission is Five and the names and address of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<u>Names</u>	Address	<u>Title</u>
Rev. Fr. George Packuvettithara Mathew	8670 Byron Ave., Miami Beach, FL 33141	D
Babychan Idiculla	6906 East Wedgewood Ave. Davie, FL 33331	D
Sanjaimon K Naduparambil	4022 Turquoise Trail Weston, FL 33331	D
Felix Abraham	4067 Sander Ling Lane Weston, FL 33331	D
Joseph P Simon	5951 NW 55 <sup>th</sup> Manor Coral Springs, FL 33067	D

#### ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STEET ADDRESS

The name and address of the Registered Agent is:

Rev. Fr. George Packuvettithara Mathew

8670 Byron Ave.,

Miami Beach, FL 33141

Signature/Registered Agent

2/7/2008

# ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is: Jose Thomas, C. P. A. 9710 Stirling Road Suite # 101 Cooper City, Florida 33024

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 appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Signature Incorporator

Date

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

- 8.1 Upon the dissolution of the Mission, the Board of Directors shall take the necessary steps to pay all liabilities and obligations of the Mission. If its property and assets are not sufficient to satisfy or discharge the Mission's liabilities and obligations, the Mission shall apply them so far as they will go to the just and equitable payment of the liabilities and obligations.
- 8.2 Assets held by the Mission upon conditions requiring return, transfer, or conveyance, which condition occurs by reason of dissolution, must be returned, transferred or conveyed in accordance with such requirements.
- 8.3 The remaining assets of the Mission shall distribute as follows, instead of pursuant to

the provision of 805 ILCS 105/112.16 OF FLORIDA GENERAL NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORTATION ACT OF 1986 or pursuant to a successor statute:

(1) If another Knanaya Catholic organization then exists in United States of America which is exempt under Section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or their successor statute, then all remaining assets shall be distributed only for tax exempt purposes to KNANAYA CATHOLIC MISSION, PARISH or organizations as determined of a majority of the Board of Directors

### ARTICLE IX

The by-laws of the mission are the by-laws of the St. Thomas Syro-Malabar Catholic Dioceses of Chicago. The Board of Directors are the representatives of the Knanaya Catholics of South Florida who constitute the parish council of the Knanaya Catholic Mission of South Florida. The Board of Directors or the Parish council with the direction of the mission Director is obligated to follow the policies and procedures of St. Thomas Syro-Malabar Catholic Diocese of Chicago.

#### ARTICLE X

#### ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Resolved that any salaries, wages, together with fringe benefits or other forms of compensation (housing, transportation, and other allowances) paid to or provided our employees, directors, or officers will not exceed a value which is reasonable and commensurate with the duties and working hours associated with such employment and with the compensation ordinarily paid persons with similar positions or duties.

- a. Said organization is organized are exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, 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 or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- b. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- c. 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 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 disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of common

please of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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

Any amendment to the above articles shall only be made with the approval of two thirds majority of members present in a general body meeting of the mission held with at least 15 day notice informing the proposed changes.

Rev. Fr. George Packuvettithara Mathew

Babychan Idiculla

Sanjaimon K Naduparambil

Felix Abraham

R Torrela

Sd

Sd

SWORN it on this 15th day of October, 2007 by the above named incorporators,

Jose Thomas
Commission # DD525328
Expires: MAR. 06, 2010
Bonded Thru Atlantic Bonding Co., Inc.

Signed: <u>Sd</u> ne of Notary)