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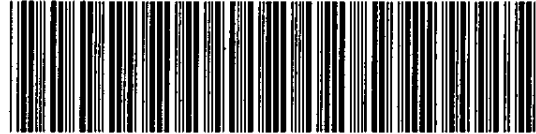
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SUBJECT: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

☐ \$70.00  
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FROM: LAWRENCE A. F. FORD  
Name (Printed or typed)

2740 SW 17<sup>TH</sup> CIRCLE  
Address

OCALA, FLORIDA 34474  
City, State & Zip

1-(352) 237-8311  
Daytime Telephone number

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



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

July 31, 2008

LAWRENCE A.F. FORD  
2740 SW 17TH CIRCLE  
OCALA, FL 34474

SUBJECT: THE WHITE LOTUS ZEN BUDDHIST TEMPLE  
Ref. Number: W08000036131

We have received your document for THE WHITE LOTUS ZEN BUDDHIST TEMPLE and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the corporation must contain a corporate suffix. This suffix may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6928.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
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**ARTICLE I NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be:

The White Lotus Zen Buddhist Temple, Inc.

**ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

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

2740 SW 17th Circle, Ocala, Florida 34474

**ARTICLE III PURPOSE**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

White Lotus Zen Buddhist Temple, Inc. of Ocala, Florida is a non-profit religious institution that teaches kindness and compassion toward all life and promotes an enlightened world citizenship and universal friendship. The Temple has been established to teach, learn, and discuss the meaning of life-long commitment to the Lord Buddha's Teachings. Temple members practice meditation, the 16 Zen Buddhist precepts, social service and avoid materialism, waste, pollution, war, as well as religious and political oppression.

**ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION**

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:

The Minister of the White Lotus Zen Buddhist Temple, Inc. of Ocala, Florida is the Reverend Dr. Dae Bi Lawrence A. F. Ford, a fully ordained Zen Buddhist monk, who serves as Founding Abbot and Guiding Teacher. He has been appointed to this position by Reverend Koho Vincent Cusino Anila of The Still Point Zen Buddhist Temple of Detroit, Michigan and approved by the members of White Lotus Zen Buddhist Temple, Inc. of Ocala, Florida.

**ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS**

List name(s), address(es) and specific title(s):

1. Guiding Teaching or Minister: The Reverend Dr. Dae Bi Lawrence Ford, 2740 SW 17th Circle, Ocala, Florida 34474
2. Temple Council President: James R. Burch, 5207 SE 107th PL, Belleview, Florida 34421
3. Temple Council Secretary: Hogen Carolyn Hudson, 17271 NE 37th St., Silver Springs, Florida 34488
4. Temple Council Treasurer: Victor Lago, 20 Lake Wood Circle, Ocala, Florida 34482

**ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

The name and Florida street address (P.O. Box NOT acceptable) of registered agent is:

James R. Burch, 5207 SE 107th PL, Belleview, Florida 34421-1207

**ARTICLE VII INCORPORATION**

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

The Reverend Dr. Dae Bi Lawrence Farnham Ford, 2740 SW 17th Circle, Ocala, Florida 34474

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*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.*

James R Burch

Signature/Registered Agent

Date 08-22-08

Lawrence A. F. Ford

Signature/Incorporator

Date 08-22-08