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# **COVER LETTER**

Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Embassy Church International, Inc (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 \$78.75 \$78.75 \$87.50 Filing Fee Filing Fee & Filing Fee Filing Fee, Certificate of & Certified Copy Certified Copy Status & Certificate ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED FROM: David Poggi Name (Printed or typed) 2666 Seagull Lane Address North Port, FL 34286 City, State & Zip (941) 914-2037 Daytime Telephone number

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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OF

### **Embassy Church International, Inc.**

(a Florida non profit corporation)

The undersigned, each with the capacity to contract, hereby executes and acknowledges these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Florida.

The undersigned hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of this corporation is **Embassy Church International, Inc.** The physical address of the corporation is 2666 Seagull Lane, North Port Florida, 34287. The mailing address of the corporation is 2666 Seagull Lane, North Port Florida, 34287.

#### **ARTICLE II - PURPOSE**

The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational 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. In furtherance of this organization and operation, the purposes of the corporation are as follows:

- (a) The corporation is established for the purposes of maintaining a place of worship, preaching, teaching, humanitarian endeavors, and spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ;
  - (b) To have and exercise all powers granted to corporations by the State of Florida Non-profit Corporation law, to the extent permitted by section 501 (c)(3) of the internal revenue code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law); and
- (c) To perform any other activities or services necessary or convenient to carry out such purposes, to the extent permitted by section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

## **ARTICLE III - QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS**

The categories of membership, the qualifications for membership, and the manner of admission shall be set forth in and regulated by the bylaws of the corporation.

#### **ARTICLE IV - TERM**

The date of commencement of the corporations shall be when these articles have been filed with the Department of State and approved by it, and the respective filing fee has been paid. The corporation is to exist perpetually unless dissolved according to law.

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 V - NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION

The corporation is organized pursuant to the General Non-Profit Corporation Law of the State of Florida, the property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious (Church), charitable and educational purposes, and upon liquidation, dissolution, or abandonment, shall not inure to the benefit of any private person except a fund, foundation, or corporation organized and operated for religious or charitable purposes.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, 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 2 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 VI - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The name of the Initial Registered Agent of the corporation is David Poggi, and the street address of the Initial Registered Office is 2666 Seagull Lane, North Port Florida, 34287

#### ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the subscribers to these articles are as follows: David Poggi 2666 Seagull Lane, North Port Florida, 34287

## **ARTICLE VIII - DIRECTORS**

The board of directors of the corporation shall consist of no less than three (3) directors as determined by the bylaws. Directors shall be appointed in the manner set forth in the bylaws. Directors may be removed and the vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided by the bylaws. The directors named in these articles shall serve as directors for the ensuing year, or until the first annual meeting of the corporation, and any vacancies before then shall be filled in a manner set forth in the bylaws.

The board of directors shall have the authority to make provision for reasonable compensation to its members for their services as directors and to fix the basis and conditions upon which this compensation shall be paid. Any director shall also serve the corporation in any other capacity and receive compensation there from any form. The names of the board of directors who are to serve until the first election are as follows:

David Poggi President

Vivian Grant Treasurer

Lakesha Poggi Secretary

### **ARTICLE IX - BYLAWS**

The bylaws of the corporation shall be adopted by the board of directors and may be amended, altered, or rescinded by the board of directors in the manner provided by such bylaws.

### ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These articles of incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by statue or in the following manner:

Every amendment shall be approved by the board of directors

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

Required Signature of Registered Agent

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Date

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S

Required Signature of Registered Agent

7.30.11

Date

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