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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Secretary of State 2661 Executive Center Circle West Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Re: Gretna Presbyterian Church, Inc.

Dear Madam/Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation and Designation of Registered Agent for the above-referenced corporation. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$78.75 for the filing fee and certified copy fee.

Please phone me at 425-5482 when the certified copy is ready, and I will arrange for someone to pick it up. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Adrienne U. Francis

Florida Registered Paralegal

Enclosures

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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GRETNA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, INC. (A Corporation Not for Profit)

The undersigned, for the purposes of forming a corporation not-for-profit, pursuant to

Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the corporation is Gretna Presbyterian Church, Inc.

<u>ARTICLE II – PRINCIPAL OFFICE</u>

The principal place of business of the corporation shall be 623 Church Street, Gretna, Florida, and the mailing address for the corporation shall be Post Office Box 119, Gretna, Florida 32332.

ARTICLE III – DURATION

The period of duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV – PURPOSES

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are more fully set forth in the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (Citations to the Book of Order G-1.0200) and are referred to as The Great Ends of the church (Book of Order G-1.0304), to wit:

- 1. The proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind;
- 2. The shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God;
- 3. The maintenance of divine worship;
- 4. The preservation of the truth;
- 5. The promotion of social righteousness; and
- 6. The exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

In furtherance of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and the purposes stated above, the Corporation shall exercise powers as set out herein.

Notwithstanding any provisions of this Article or any other Article contained herein, it is intended that this corporation shall be organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, literary 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 Code of 1986 (as such Section of a corresponding Section of any future federal tax law may be amended from time to time). This corporation shall not carry on, other than as an insubstantial part of its activities, activities which are not in furtherance of one or more of the exempt purposes described above. The corporation's net earnings shall not inure in whole or in part to the benefit of any member, officer, trustee, creator, or organizer of this corporation, or any substantial contributor to it, or any other individual. This corporation may pay compensation, however, in a reasonable amount, for expenditures or services actually made or rendered to or for the benefit of this corporation.

ARTICLE V – SUPPORT OF AND CONFORMITY WITH THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

The corporation shall support, at all times and in all respects, the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The Corporation and all of its property, both real and personal, shall be subject to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), as it is now or shall be, from time to time, amended, established, made, and declared by the authority of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), except nothing herein shall be construed as giving the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A), or its successors or assigns, any authority over or ownership of real or personal property owned by or in behalf of the Gretna Presbyterian Church prior to incorporation. The business of

the Corporation shall be conducted in conformity with the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), as it is now or shall be, from time to time, amended, established, made, and declared by the authority of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

ARTICLE VI - POWERS AND DUTIES

The Corporation shall have the powers and duties granted by the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). (Book of Order G-4.02):

To receive, hold, encumber, manage, and transfer property, real or personal, for the church;

To accept and execute deeds of title to such property;

To hold and defend title to such property;

To manage any permanent special funds for the furtherance of the purposes of the church.

In addition, to the extent not included in the above and not inconsistent with the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Corporation shall have all of the general powers of a nonprofit religious corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

The powers and duties of the Trustees shall not infringe upon the powers and duties of the Session and such powers and duties shall be exercised in conformity with the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (Book of Order G-3.02). In addition, the Corporation shall not engage in ultra vires acts.

Nothing herein shall be construed as giving the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A), or its successors or assigns, any authority over or ownership of real or personal property owned by or in behalf of the Gretna Presbyterian Church prior to incorporation.

ARTICLE VII – MEMBERS

Only members of the active role of the Gretna Presbyterian Church, Inc. shall be members of the Corporation and eligible for election as Trustees. (Book of Order G-4.0102).

ARTICLE VIII – TRUSTEES

The directors of the Corporation are designated Trustees. The Trustees shall be those persons who are elected, installed, and serving as active elders of the Session. They must also be eligible under civil law. (Book of Order G-4.0102).

ARTICLE IX – INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

There shall be three members of the initial Board of Directors (also known as Trustees) of the corporation. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial Directors (Trustees) are as follows:

David Clayton	Gale Thompson	Alexander Johnson
9434 Hosford Highway	209 Dupont Avenue	1838 Bassett Road
Quincy, FL 32351	Quincy, FL 32351	Quincy, FL 32351

ARTICLE X – REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of the corporation shall be located at 623 Church Street, Gretna, Florida 32332. The initial registered agent of the corporation at that address shall be David Clayton.

ARTICLE XI – INCORPORATORS

The names and resident addresses of the subscribers of these Articles of Incorporation are:

David Clayton	Gale Thompson	Alexander Johnson
9434 Hosford Highway	209 Dupont Avenue	1838 Bassett Road
Quincy, FL 32351	Quincy, FL 32351	Quincy, FL 32351

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have subscribed our names this 9th day of Julius , 2014.

DAVID CLAYTON

GALE THOMPSON

ALEXANDER JOHNSON

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been named as Registered Agent to accept service of process for the appear stated corporation at the place designated in the above Articles, 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 and agree to act in this capacity.

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Date