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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
PARTNERS WITH La Victoria, INC.**

We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a corporation for religious purposes under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do agree to the following:

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be Partners with La Victoria Inc., and its address is 705 E. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511.

**ARTICLE II
TERM OF EXISTENCE**

This Corporation is to exist perpetually.

**ARTICLE III
COMMENCEMENT OF EXISTENCE**

The Corporation shall be deemed to commence its existence on the date of filing and assignment of charter number.

**ARTICLE IV
PURPOSES**

The Corporation is organized as a not-for-profit organization exclusively for religious purposes. The purposes include:

- A. To build and nurture relationships as partners in Christ with St. Anthony of Padua parish and the community of La Victoria, Dominican Republic, as well as other ministry as the Board of Directors may decide, with an emphasis to serve in the Dominican Republic. To that end, the Corporation will provide for the spiritual and other needs of this ministry. The support intended shall include, but not be limited to:
- i. empowering people through education, faith, economic development, and the advancement of social justice.
 - ii. encouraging prayerful solidarity between the parishioners of Nativity Catholic church and its community, and St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church and its community in La Victoria, and all Dominicans
 - iii. encouraging spiritual growth and mutual support by sponsoring frequent visits between the parishes;
 - iv. exchanging resources and support for religious, developmental, educational, health, and economic purposes.
- B. To establish, receive and maintain a fund or funds for the operational support of the ministry and to that end, the Corporation may take and receive by gift, grant,

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bequest, devise or otherwise any and all property of any sort or nature, without limitation as to the amount or value, and to manage, administer, invest, reinvest and dispose of the same. The Corporation may also administer other funds, including endowment funds, and may from time to time pay and apply the funds and property of the Corporation, including principal as well as income thereof, for the support of this ministry.

- C. The purpose for which this Corporation is organized is to possess and exercise in general all powers conferred upon corporations by Florida law, as amended from time to time, and in particular to manage the temporal affairs of the Corporation, an outreach ministry of Nativity Catholic Church, which is a parish of the Roman Catholic Church of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Florida, in such a manner that does not cause undue prejudice to the laws and disciplines of the Roman Catholic Church.
- D. The Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, missionary and/or educational purposes in general and in particular for the ministering to the spiritual and temporal needs of people in strict accordance with the teachings, tenets and polity of the Roman Catholic Church and other non-profit purposes; and no part of the income or assets of the Corporation shall be distributed to, nor inure to the benefit of any individual.

ARTICLE V. POWERS

The Corporation is empowered:

- A. To do and perform all reasonably necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Corporation as permitted for non-profit Corporations under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.
- B. To buy, own, sell, convey, assign, mortgage, or lease any interest in real estate in personal property and to construct, maintain, and operate improvements that are necessary or incident to the accomplishments set forth herein.
- C. To borrow money and issue evidence of indebtedness, as well as receive grants from private or public funding sources in furtherance of any or all of the purposes of this Corporation and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, or other lien on the Corporation's property.

ARTICLE VI QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The members of this Corporation shall consist of a permanent member, which shall be the Pastor of Nativity Catholic Church, Brandon, Florida, and his successors in office, including a Parochial Administrator in the absence of the Pastor, (Pastor Member), and such other members as the Pastor Member may appoint. The Pastor Member will select members based on the individual's experience with the community of La Victoria, and the current mission statement and goals of the organization. Membership is personal and may not be transferred. A member may be removed by the Pastor Member with or without cause.

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**ARTICLE VII.
POWERS RESERVED TO PASTOR MEMBER**

- A. The Corporation is an Apostolate of Nativity Catholic Church and as such, the Canon Law requires that certain rights should be reserved to the Pastor, as a member of the Corporation. Therefore, the following rights are specifically reserved to the Pastor Member:
- i. The operation philosophy of the Corporation shall be approved by the Pastor Member and shall be consistent with the teachings and tenets of the Roman Catholic Church.
 - ii. The Corporation will not be merged or dissolved without the express written approval of the Pastor Member
 - iii. Any additional rights preserved or provided in the Bylaws.

**ARTICLE VIII
SUBSCRIBERS**

The name and addresses of the subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is:

Rev. John Tapp	705 E. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511
Miguel Suarez	705 E. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511
Lori A. Fitzpatrick	705 E. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511

**ARTICLE IX
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The business affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by the Board of Trustees, who must be members of the corporation. This Corporation shall have three Trustees initially. The number of Trustees may be increased or decreased from time to time, in accordance with the By-Laws but shall never be less than three. The Pastor Member of this Corporation shall appoint and remove the Trustees with or without cause in his sole discretion.

The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as Trustees for the ensuing years, or until the first annual meeting of the Corporation are:

Rev. John Tapp	705 E. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511
Miguel Suarez	705 E. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511
Lori A. Fitzpatrick	705 E. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511

**ARTICLE X
OFFICERS**

Section 1. The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, may include one or more Vice Presidents and any additional officers as may be established by the Board of Directors. Other than the president or vice-president, a person may hold more than one office at one time.

Section 2. The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees or as provided in the By-Laws. Officers need not be members of the Corporation.

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ARTICLE XI BY-LAWS

The members of this Corporation shall adopt the By-Laws for the conduct of the Corporation's business and the carrying out of its purposes. The By-Laws may be amended, altered or rescinded by the members of this Corporation at any regular meeting or special meeting called for that purpose, but any amendment must be approved by the Pastor Member.

ARTICLE XII AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority of Trustees (51%) of this Corporation at any regular or special meeting called by the members for that purpose, but any amendment must be approved by the Pastor Member.

ARTICLE XIII CONDUCT OF AFFAIRS

The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted in a manner consistent with the code of Canon Law, the religious directives of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, applicable directives and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, and the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws of this Corporation.

ARTICLE XIV LIMITATIONS ON ACTIVITIES

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except 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 of this Corporation. 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 any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal Income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), or by an organization contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code in 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

ARTICLE XV DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

No person, firm or corporation shall ever receive any dividends or profits from the undertaking of this Corporation and upon dissolution of this organization all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to organizations selected by the members which have qualified for exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and none of the assets will be distributed to any member, officer or director of this Corporation, provided, however, that the Corporation may confer benefits in the form of distributions, in dissolutions or otherwise, upon a not-for-profit corporate member described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.


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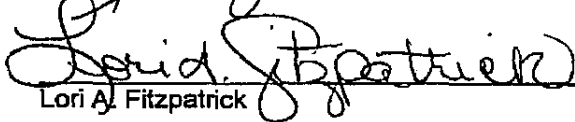
**ARTICLE XVI
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The street address of the initial registered office of this Corporation is 705 E. Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511 and the name of the initial registered agent of this Corporation at the address is Joseph A. DiVito, Esquire.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned subscribing incorporator, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3 day of Nov, 2015, for the purpose of forming this Corporation not-for-profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

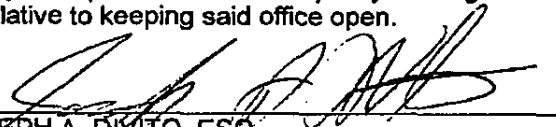

Rev. John Tapp


Miguel Suarez


Lori A. Fitzpatrick

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process on behalf of the above-styled Corporation, at the office stated above, I hereby accept to act in the capacity of Registered Agent and agree to comply with the provisions relative to keeping said office open.

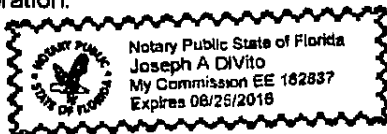

JOSEPH A. DIVITO, ESQ.
Registered Agent

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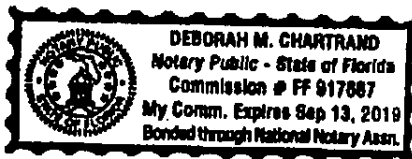
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3 day of Nov, 2015, by Rev. John Tapp, who is personally known to me or produced as identification, and who acknowledged before me that he executed and subscribes to these Articles of Incorporation.



[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission expires:

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd day of Nov., 2015, by Miguel Suarez who is personally known to me or produced as identification, and who acknowledged before me that he executed and subscribes to these Articles of Incorporation.



[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission expires:

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 2 day of November, 2015, by Lori A. Fitzpatrick who is personally known to me or produced F321521 61 9151 as identification, and who acknowledged before me that he executed and subscribes to these Articles of Incorporation.

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission expires



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