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SUBJECT: BEACON IN THE STORM MINISTRIES

Ref. Number: W16000006421

We have received your document for BEACON IN THE STORM MINISTRIES and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name must contain a word that will clearly indicate that it is a corporation. This word 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 your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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RE: Beacon In The Storm Ministries

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed herewith is an original and a copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced non-profit organization. My check, in the amount of \$78.75 is included representing the following fees:

Filing Fee \$35.00 Registered Agent Fee \$35.00 Certified Copy Fee \$8.75

TOTAL \$78.75

Please file the original of the enclosed Articles and return a certified copy to me. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

OSEPH'F. PIPPEN.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

BEACON IN THE STORM MINISTRIES, INC. A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

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The undersigned incorporators, in order to form a non-profit corporation under the laws of the state of Florida, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ONE: The name of this corporation is *Beacon In The Storm Ministries, Inc.*

TWO: The principal office address of this corporation is:

12303 70th Street North, Largo, Florida 33773-3042

THREE: The specific purposes for which this corporation is organized are to operate exclusively for religious, charitable, and educational purposes. This corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code. In addition, the corporation is organized for the following purposes:

A.) Our Mission Statement is to love one another, to teach about Jesus our Lord and Savior, belief in the whole Bible, Old and New Testament. To love the lost, heal the sick, be the children that God called us to be, to know who we are in Christ Jesus, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. To feed and clothe the poor, and to reach the dying world one at a time so that they will see Jesus in us. That we will be the salt and light! That we believe in Baptizing in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and being Baptized by the Holy Spirit!

FOUR: PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS

This corporation shall not:

- a) Engage in any activities prohibited by Section 617.0105, Florida Statutes;
- b) As a substantial part of its activities carry out propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation;
- c) Participate or intervene, by publication or distribution of any statements or otherwise, in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office;
- d) No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code), and this 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.
- e) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by the organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

FIVE: The Directors of the Corporation shall be elected in accordance with the provisions stated in the By-Laws.

SIX: The number of initial Directors of this corporation are five. Their names and addresses are as follows:

Bryan K. Kuiper 12303 70th Street N. Largo, FL 33773 Carol Kuiper 12303 70th Street N. Largo, FL 33773

William Connolly 7100 Ulmerton Rd., #396 Largo, FL 33771 Kathleen Connolly 7100 Ulmerton Rd., #396 Largo, FL 33771

Tomasa I. Higgins 730 14th Street N.W., #4 Largo, FL 33770

SEVEN: The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual.

EIGHT: The initial registered agent and street address are as follows:

Joseph F. Pippen, Jr. 1920 East Bay Drive Largo, FL 33771

NINE: The classes, rights, privileges, qualifications, and obligations of members of this corporation are as follows:

This corporation, as a non-member Corporation, shall have no members. All voting rights reside in the Board of Directors and wherever the term "Member" is used in the state's nonprofit corporation act for the purposes of this Corporation, such term shall be taken to refer to the Directors as if such term was replaced by the term "Directors."

TEN: Any additional provisions for the operation of the corporation are as follows:

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision of payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or shall be distributed to the Federal Government, or to a state or local government, for public purpose.

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code), and this 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.

No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that this 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 these Articles.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or (2) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

In any taxable year in which this corporation is a private foundation as described in Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, the corporation 1) shall distribute its income for said period at such time and manner as not to subject it to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code; 2) shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code; 3) shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; 4) shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code; and 5) shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The undersigned incorporators hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.

11: INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Law Offices of Joseph F. Pippen, Jr. & Associates, PL 1920 East Bay Drive Largo, FL 33771

The undersigned incorporator executed these Articles of Incorporation on 1/12, 2016.

LAW OFFICE'S OF JOSEPH F. PIPPEN, JR. & ASSOCIATES, PL.

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CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION

REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the below named corporation which is organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the state of Florida.

- 1. The name of the corporation is: **Beacon In the Storm Ministries**
- 2. The name and address of the registered Agent and office is:

Joseph F. Pippen, Jr. 1920 East Bay Drive Largo, FL 33771

Having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the above state corporation at the place designated in this certificate, 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 obligation of my position as Registered Agent.

Dated: 112/16

OSEPH F. PIPPĖN, JR.

Registered Agent