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Enclosed are an orig	ginal and one (1) copy of the res	tated articles of incorpor	ation and a check for
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# Restated Articles of Incorporation Of

#### Lavished Ministries, Inc

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The corporation is organized pursuant to the Florida Nonprofit Corporation Code. The undersigned incorporator(s) hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### **ARTICLE I. NAME**

The name of this corporation is: Lavished Ministries, Inc.

### ARTICLE II. REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the registered agent and registered office of this corporation is:

Nicole Rice

1701 Tennessee Ave

Suite 200

Lynn Haven, FL 32444

The county of the registered office is Bay.

#### ARTICLE III. PRINCIPAL MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office mailing address is:

1701 Tennessee Ave

Suite 200

Lynn Haven, FL 32444

#### ARTICLE IV. DURATION

The period of duration of this corporation is: Perpetual

#### ARTICLE V. PURPOSE

This 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.

The specific objectives and purpose of this organization shall be:

- a.) To provide resources and referrals for professional services to women who currently or have previously worked in the commercial sex industry, which can include survivors of sex trafficking or sexual exploitation.
- b.) to reach women in the commercial sex industry through outreaches into sexually-oriented businesses.
- c.) To help restore the lives of women impacted by the commercial sex industry through prayer, support, and assistance in times of crisis.
- d.) To educate and promote awareness of the commercial sex industry which can include the illegal trafficking of children and adults through presentations, seminars, and workshops.
- e.) To provide immediate temporary shelter, relocation assistance, and meet the needs of survivors of sex-trafficking or sexual exploitation to the best of our ability until a more permanent and safe housing option can be found.
- f.) To sponsor, host, and participate in seminars, workshops, and trainings within the community and church groups relating to commercial sexual exploitation, sex trafficking, and child trafficking.
- g.) To maximize our impact on current efforts, we seek to collaborate with GFOs and other nonprofit organizations which fall under the 501(c)(3) section of the internal revenue code and are operated exclusively for educational and charitable purposes.
- h.) to provide faith-based, survivor-informed, and trauma- informed services to women impacted by the commercial sex industry.

#### ARTICLE VI. DIRECTORS

The number of directors and the method of selecting directors shall be fixed by the Bylaws of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII. MEMBERS

This members of this corporation shall be its board of directors.

Nicole Rice! President

1701 Tennessee Ave

Suite 200

Lynn Haven, FL 32444

Rachael Dent, Secretary

1492 Tuscan Ct,

Apt 104

Florence, KY 41042

Phil Edwards, Director

3416 Hillcrest Drive

Panama City, FL 32405

Skip Orth, Director

9139 Military Trail

Navarre, FL 32566

Elaine Brown, Director

323 Bell Circle

Lynn Haven, Fl 32444

Brian Buschmann, Treasurer and Chairman

2318 Camryns Crossing

Panama City, FL 32405

Catriese Johnson, Director

7940 Front Beach Rd.

Panama City Beach, FL 32407

#### ARTICLE VIII. INCORPORATORS

The name(s) and address(es) of the incorporator(s) of this corporation is/are:

Nicole Rice

1701 Tennessee Ave

Suite 200

Lynn Haven, Fl. 32444

#### ARTICLE IX. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

- 1. 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 organization's objectives.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on:

- (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.
- 4. No member, officer, or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers, or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE X. DISSOLUTION

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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I the undersigned, being the Incorporator of Lavished Ministries, Inc. executed these Articles of Incorporation on April 24, 2024.

Nicole Rice, Incorporator

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## CERTIFICATE OF RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Lavished Ministries, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida does hereby certify:

1. The restatement was adopted by the board of directors and des not contain any amendments requiring member approval.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I the undersigned, being the Incorporator of Lavished Ministries. Inc. executed this Certificate of Restated Articles of Incorporation on April 24, 2024.

Nicole Rice, Incorporator

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