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December 19, 2017

REI J. HINES  
2226 NE 8TH ST  
GAINESVILLE, FL 32609

SUBJECT: HOPEWELL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.  
Ref. Number: W17000099880

We have received your document for HOPEWELL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

You must list at least one incorporator with a complete business street address.

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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Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
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Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: HOPEWELL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, 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  
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee &  
Certificate of  
Status

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50  
Filing Fee,  
Certified Copy  
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: REI J. HINES  
Name (Printed or typed)

2226 NE 8TH ST  
Address

GAINESVILLE, FL 32609  
City, State & Zip

352-682-0177  
Daytime Telephone number

hmbc.rjhines@gmail.com  
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
HOPEWELL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.  
A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

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THE UNDERSIGNED subscribers of these Articles of Incorporation, each a natural person competent to contract, hereby associate themselves together to form a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE I. NAME:** The name of this Corporation is: **HOPEWELL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.**

**ARTICLE II. TYPE OF ENTITY:** The Corporation is a non-profit corporation.

**ARTICLE III. TERM OF EXISTENCE:** This Corporation shall exist perpetually.

**ARTICLE IV. NATURE OF BUSINESS:** The objects or purposes for which this Corporation is formed are as follows:

a. The nature of the affairs and the activities to be fostered, promoted and encouraged shall be the gospel of Jesus Christ according to the Holy Bible, in its entirety, with the main objective being the winning of souls to work for Christ and helping others, such as missionaries and other

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ministers, in any part of the world. The organization shall not be limited to working with any one group or organization or in any one country but with all people and in all countries.

The organization is to be a non-denominational, inter-denominational group, that operates with the baptist church.

b. To establish, maintain, and oversee a principle church, as well as, other affiliate and associate churches anywhere in the United States of America and its territories, as also throughout the Universe, wherever there should be found people who shall worship in accordance with the tenets of the religion, as set forth by the Board of Directors; and

c. To establish and maintain schools or colleges for men and women, members and non-members of the Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church, Inc., so as to qualify themselves for ordination as ministers of Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church, Inc., and/or other like ministries, subject to the approval as to fitness for said ministries by the Board of Directors, who shall constitute sole examining Board and whose decisions regarding qualifications and fitness of those to receive ordination as ministers or

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deacons shall be final; and

d. To establish, maintain and conduct schools for religious and academic instruction and knowledge, for both young and old, in accordance with the tenets of worship, discipline, rules, regulations, rituals, rites, ceremonies and practices which are now, or from time to time hereafter may be followed, prescribed, designated, formulated, promulgated, and established by the Board of Directors; and

e. To establish, maintain and otherwise operate orphanages, homes for the aged rescue missions, day care centers and any and all other facilities necessary too aide the general public, in accordance with the tenets of worship, discipline, rules, regulations, rituals, rites, ceremonies, and practices which are now being, or from time to time hereafter may be, followed, prescribed, designated, formulated, promulgated, and established by the Board of Directors; and

f. To engage in missionary work and the training of missionary workers, both men and women, to teach the tenets of worship, as

aforesaid, anywhere in the United States of America and its territories, as also throughout the Universe, wherever there shall be found people who shall worship in accordance with the tenets of the religions set forth by the Board of Directors; and

g. To secure, plan, lay out, improve, and maintain land to be used for the purpose of holding religious camp meetings, reunions, and gatherings for the members of the said principal church and affiliate churches, and under the auspices, rules and regulations as may be prescribed now, or from time to time hereafter, by the Board of Directors; and

h. To have and to hold and possess real and personal property, either by purchase, lease or gift, to be used and employed for the purposes and objectives of said corporate body, to mortgage and sell property and to contract for the erection of churches, buildings, and all other matters deemed advisable, to promote and extend the functions and activities of the said corporate body, or all those things which may be deemed advisable at any time, and from time to time hereafter, by the Board of Directors; and

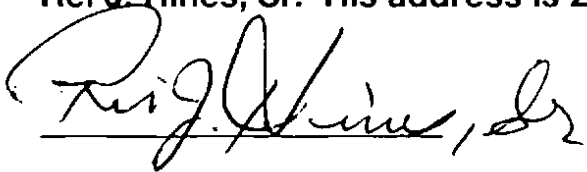
I. Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including for such purposes as the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

**ARTICLE V. REGISTERED ADDRESS AND REGISTERED RESIDENT**

**AGENT:** The registered agent in the state of Florida shall be Rei J. Hines, Sr. Therefore, I do, hereby, affirm that I understand and accept the duties and responsibilities of the position. The initial registered address of the office shall be 2226 N.E. 8th St, Gainesville, FL, 32609. The initial mailing address for the corporation shall be the same. The officers of the corporation may, from time to time, move the registered address of the office to any other address in the State of Florida.



**ARTICLE VI. INCORPORATOR:** The incorporator of the organization is Rei J. Hines, Sr. His address is 2226 NE 8th St, Gainesville, FL., 32609.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rei J. Hines, Sr.", written over a horizontal line.

Rei J. Hines, Sr. / Incorporator

**ARTICLE VII. PRINCIPAL ADDRESS:** The principal address of the Corporation shall be 3901 N.W. 6th St., Gainesville, FL., 32641.

**ARTICLE VIII. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES:** No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, 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 IV hereof.

**ARTICLE IX. DISSOLUTION OF CORPORATION:** Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organizations authorized and

operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes, as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 10543 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any of such assets, not so disposed of, shall be disposed of by the proper judicial body 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 judicial body shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

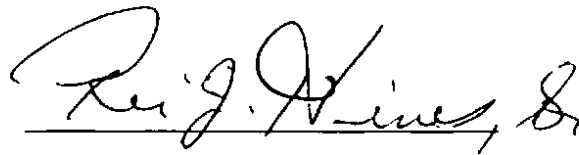
**ARTICLE X. DIRECTORS:** The names and addresses of the initial three

(3) Directors of the corporation are listed below:

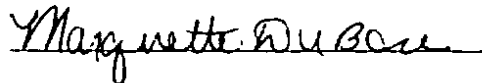
<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS OF RESIDENCE</u></b>
Pastor R.J. Hines, Sr (Pres/CEO)	2226 NE 8th Street, Gainesville, FL 32609
Marquette DuBose (CFO)	3611 SW 34th St, #127, Gainesville, FL 32608
Alda Canton Thompson (Director)	400 NW 21st Lane, Gainesville, FL 32609

Directors shall be appointed as according to the by-laws.

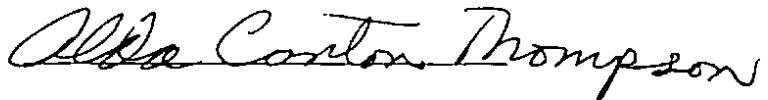
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we, the undersigned, have set our hands and  
seals this 26<sup>TH</sup> day of December, A.D., 2017.



Pastor R.J. Hines, President and R.A.



Marquette DuBose, CFO



Alda Canton Thompson

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