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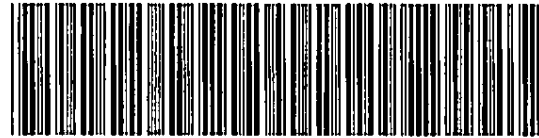
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Division of Corporations
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SUBJECT: West Park Baptist Church of Jacksonville, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
WEST PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
OF JACKSONVILLE, INC.**

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**CLERK OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA**

The undersigned persons, desiring to organize a religious, not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the state of Florida and the provisions of the United States Code promulgated by and for the Internal Revenue Service; with all of the rights, powers and privileges of a corporation so-organized under the United States Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, hereby make and file these Articles of Incorporation, and certify as follows:

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of the Corporation shall be: WEST PARK BAPTIST CHURCH OF JACKSONVILLE, INC. (the "Corporation").

ARTICLE II - Principal Office and Mailing Address

The address of the principal office of the Corporation shall be 372 Jones Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32220. The mailing address of the Corporation shall be the same.

ARTICLE III - Purpose

A. The Corporation is organized exclusively for educational, religious, charitable, scientific, and other proper purposes, including the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code").

B. The Corporation is organized for purposes of engaging in any activity or business that is: 1) consistent with the Holy Bible and the Baptist Faith & Message, 2000, and 2) permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida.

C. The Corporation shall be authorized to provide religious worship, educational and social services and programs as provided by the Corporation's Directors consistent with The Baptist Faith and Message, 2000 which sets forth, at least in part, the Corporation's understanding of the Holy Scriptures.

D. The Corporation shall have all of the powers enumerated in the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as the same now exists and as hereafter amended, and all such other powers as are permitted by applicable law; provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in any activity in which corporations qualified as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code are not permitted to engage, nor shall it engage in any activities which contradict the Holy Bible as interpreted by the church's leadership.

E. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, the Corporation's 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 this Article. 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 publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

F. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (i) a corporation exempt from federal income

tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, or (ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

ARTICLE IV - Term of Existence & Membership

The Corporation shall exist perpetually unless dissolved according to law. The number, rights and privileges of membership in the Corporation shall be as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE V - Incorporator

The name and street address of the incorporator to these Articles is:

Name: John Shepherd

Address: 372 Jones Road, Jacksonville, FL 32220

The incorporator of these Articles hereby assigns to this corporation any and all of his rights to constitute a corporation.

ARTICLE VI: Resident Agent

The name and address of the Registered Agent for the Corporation is **John Shepherd**, whose address is located at 372 Jonesd Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32220.

ARTICLE VII - Directors

A. The Corporation shall be managed by not less than three (3) Trustees/Directors, with the exact number of Trustee/Directors established from time to time as set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

B. As set forth in the Bylaws, members of the Trustee/Director board shall be elected and appointed by the church as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation (or by the existing board should a vacancy occur mid-year).

C. The intial slate of Trustee/Directors shall be comprised of the following individuals:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Address:</u>
1. Larry M. McCart	372 Jones Road Jacksonville, Florida 32220
2. Henry F. Britt	372 Jones Road Jacksonville, Florida 32220
3. Joseph C. Brinson	372 Jones Road Jacksonville, Florida 32220
4. James F. Perdue	372 Jones Road Jacksonville, Florida 32220

ARTICLE VIII - Amendment to Articles

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended by the Trustees/Directors only at the direction of the church membership and in accordance with the Bylaws. Upon such direction (and upon thirty (30) days written notice of a meeting for that purpose), the Trustees/Directors present at such meeting shall vote on such amendment.

ARTICLE IX - Bylaws

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal Bylaws shall be vested in the membership of the Corporation.

ARTICLE X - Limitations to Corporate Power

Loans to, and guarantees by, the Corporation shall be contracted on behalf of the Corporation only if authorized by the membership of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI - Dissolution

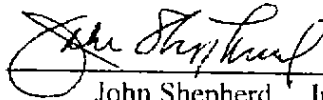
A. In the event of the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all the assets of the Corporation by distributing them in a manner not inconsistent with the purposes of the Corporation, including to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for tax-exempt religious purposes, as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

B. Any assets not disposed of by the Board of Directors as provided herein, shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for tax-exempt purposes or to such organizations, which are organized and operated exclusively for tax-exempt purposes and which qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 7th day of January, 2018.

WEST PARK BAPTIST CHURCH OF JACKSONVILLE,
INC.

By:



John Shepherd, Incorporator

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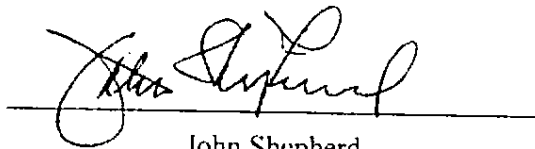
**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR
THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT
UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.**

Pursuant to Section 48.091, *Florida Statutes*, the following certificate (the "Certificate") is submitted:

That WEST PARK BAPTIST CHURCH OF JACKSONVILLE, INC., organized under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in these Articles, in the City of Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida, has named John Shepherd, who may be located at 372 Jonesd Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32220, as its agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept the appointment to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provision of said act relative to keeping open said office.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Shepherd", is written over a horizontal line.

John Shepherd,
Registered Agent

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