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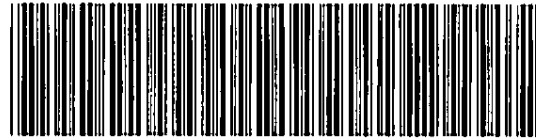
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TO: Amendment Section  
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NAME OF CORPORATION: WAT THAMMADEVARAJ, INC.

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The enclosed *Articles of Amendment* and fee are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

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Articles of Amendment  
to  
Articles of Incorporation  
of

WAT THAMMADEVARAJ

(Name of Corporation as currently filed with the Florida Dept. of State)

(Document Number of Corporation (if known))

Pursuant to the provisions of section 607.1006, Florida Statutes, this **Florida Profit Corporation** adopts the following amendment(s) to its Articles of Incorporation:

**A. If amending name, enter the new name of the corporation:**

N/A

The new name must be distinguishable and contain the word "corporation," "company," or "incorporated" or the abbreviation "Corp.," "Inc.," or "Co.," or the designation "Corp.," "Inc.," or "Co.". A professional corporation name must contain the word "chartered," "professional association," or the abbreviation "P.A."

**B. Enter new principal office address, if applicable:**

(Principal office address **MUST BE A STREET ADDRESS**)

N/A

**C. Enter new mailing address, if applicable:**

(Mailing address **MAY BE A POST OFFICE BOX**)

N/A

**D. If amending the registered agent and/or registered office address in Florida, enter the name of the new registered agent and/or the new registered office address:**

Name of New Registered Agent

N/A

(Florida street address)

New Registered Office Address:

Florida

(City)

(Zip Code)

**New Registered Agent's Signature, if changing Registered Agent:**

I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of the position.

Signature of New Registered Agent, if changing

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**If amending the Officers and/or Directors, enter the title and name of each officer/director being removed and title, name, and address of each Officer and/or Director being added:**

(Attach additional sheets, if necessary)

Please note the officer/director title by the first letter of the office title:

P = President; V= Vice President; T= Treasurer; S= Secretary; D= Director; TR= Trustee; C = Chairman or Clerk; CEO = Chief Executive Officer; CFO = Chief Financial Officer. If an officer/director holds more than one title, list the first letter of each office held. President, Treasurer, Director would be PTD.

Changes should be noted in the following manner. Currently John Doe is listed as the PST and Mike Jones is listed as the V. There is a change, Mike Jones leaves the corporation, Sally Smith is named the V and S. These should be noted as John Doe, PT as a Change, Mike Jones, V as Remove, and Sally Smith, SV as an Add.

**Example:**

☒ Change      PT      John Doe

☐ Remove      V      Mike Jones

☒ Add      SV      Sally Smith

Type of Action (Check One)	Title	Name	Address
1) <input type="checkbox"/> Change		N/A	
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E. If amending or adding additional Articles, enter change(s) here:  
(Attach additional sheets, if necessary). (Be specific)

- ARTICLE III
- ARTICLE IV
- ARTICLE VI

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F. If an amendment provides for an exchange, reclassification, or cancellation of issued shares,  
provisions for implementing the amendment if not contained in the amendment itself:  
(if not applicable, indicate N/A)

N/A

The date of each amendment(s) adoption: 05/26/2022, if other than the date this document was signed.

Effective date if applicable: 05/26/2022  
(no more than 90 days after amendment file date)

Note: If the date inserted in this block does not meet the applicable statutory filing requirements, this date will not be listed as the document's effective date on the Department of State's records.

Adoption of Amendment(s) (CHECK ONE)

☒ The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the incorporators, or board of directors without shareholder action and shareholder action was not required.

☐ The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the shareholders. The number of votes cast for the amendment(s) by the shareholders was/were sufficient for approval.

☐ The amendment(s) was/were approved by the shareholders through voting groups. The following statement must be separately provided for each voting group entitled to vote separately on the amendment(s):

The number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval  
by \_\_\_\_\_  
(voting group)

Dated 05/26/2022

Signature Pornampa Thambundit  
(By a director, president or other officer – if directors or officers have not been selected, by an incorporator – if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary by that fiduciary)

PORNAMPA THAMBUNDIT  
(Typed or printed name of person signing)

SECRETARY  
(Title of person signing)

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## **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**WAT THAMMADEVARAJ**

**Buddhist Meditation Center**

### **ARTICLE I**

#### **GENERAL:**

- A) The corporation shall be an Ecclesiastical corporation.
- B) The corporation shall be a non-profit corporation.
- C) The period of its duration shall be perpetual.

### **ARTICLE II**

#### **NAME:**

The name of the corporation shall be known as WAT THAMMADEVARAJ Buddhist Meditation Center. (Hereinafter the BMC).

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **PRINCIPAL OFFICE:**

The principal office of this corporation shall be located at 9200 Crystal Springs Rd. Jacksonville, Florida 32221

### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **PURPOSE:**

Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distribution to organization that qualify as exempt organizations described under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

### **ARTICLE V**

#### **Section 5.1 Category**

#### **MEMBERSHIP:**

The corporation shall have three categories of membership:

- A) Active members: Any person of legal voting age who registers with B.M.C. and resides in the State of Florida, or any adjacent state and supports the ideals of Buddhism
- B) Associate Members: Any person who is not applicable to (A) but maintains his/her relationship with the association and participates in its activities.

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- C) Honorary Member: Any person who supports the principles of B.M.C. and who has made substantial contribution to the corporation, and his/her eligibility is approved unanimously by the Board of Directors.

### **Section 5.2 TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP:**

The membership shall be terminated by the following causes:

- A) Death
- B) Resignation
- C) Expulsion by the Board of Directors for the conduct; injurious or prejudicial to the corporation or an act considered detrimental to the Buddhist doctrine.
- D). Failure to abide by these Bylaws.

In acting upon the cases in (C) and (D) in section 2 a two-thirds vote in the general meeting shall be required.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **ABBOT OF THE TEMPLE**

The Abbot of the Temple shall be the Buddhist monk. He shall be the President of the corporation and serve as the chairman of Executive Board.

He shall actively direct and organize the religious affairs. He shall preside at meeting of the Executive Board. He shall have the power to select, substitute, remove and appoint the Vice President and officers of the Corporation.

The Abbot of the Temple shall be terminated by the following causes:

- A) Death
- B) Resignation

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **OFFICES AND THEIR ELECTION:**

#### **Section 7.1 Composition**

The officers of the Corporation hereinafter referred to as the "Officer" shall be:

- A) President
- B) Vice President
- C) Secretary/Treasurer

This shall be known as the Board of Directors. A President and Vice President shall be ordained by Buddhist monks. The remainder shall be non-monks.



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**Section 7.2 TERM OF OFFICE:**

The term of office of each Director shall be as follows:

- A) The President and Vice President shall hold office until he is no longer the Abbot of the Temple.

**Section 7.3 VACANCIES:**

In the event of the death, resignation, removal or inability to serve vacancy of any appointed monk shall be filled by the recommendation of the Board of Directors as soon as possible. The successor shall serve the office for the unexpired term of his predecessor.

In the event of any vacancy of the elected director, a re-election by ballot of the active members shall be held at the upcoming general meeting. Any vacancy in the position of the Board of Directors may be temporarily filled at the discretion of the Board of Directors until a special election or appointment can be made.

**Section 7.4 REMOVAL:**

Any appointed or elected Officer may be removed from the office for any of the following reasons unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws:

- A) Death
- B) Resignation
- C) Serious damage to the corporation due to the neglect of his/her duties.
- D) Any cause or act involvement moral issues
- E) Being absent two consecutive board meetings without appropriate excuse.

**Section 7.5 ELECTION:**

The President shall be designated by the Board of Directors within 30 days. The election committee is composed of (1) chair person and at least four (2) active members appointed by the Board of Directors.

The committee shall be responsible to solicit candidates for office to be filled.

A written notice of election must be sent to all active members at least 30 days prior to the election. Such notice shall specify the time and place of election as fixed by the Election Committee.

Any active member shall be entitled to vote for his/her candidate in person.

**ARTICLES VIII**

## **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

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#### **Section 8.1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

General powers and responsibilities of the Board of Directors shall be:

- A) To supervise and direct the affairs and activities of the Corporation.
- B) To appoint the committee, dissolve the committee, enlarge the committee, remove any committee member and fill any vacancy
- C) To determine such banks and trust companies for depository of the funds of this Corporation.
- D) To issue statements to the public over matters of immediate concern
- E) To plan and prepare the program of the semi-annual and annual meetings of the corporation.
- F) To make rules and regulations not forbidden by these Bylaws.

#### **Section 8.2 PRESIDENT:**

The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Board of Directors

- A) Be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- B) Appoint and remove any officer, committee or committee member with approval of the Board of Directors
- C) Have authority to sign bonds, mortgages, contracts, and documents upon the approval of the Board of Directors.
- D) Counter sign all payment out by the Treasurer.
- E) Enforce these Bylaws and carry out the resolutions and proceedings of the Corporation and the Board of Directors
- F) Administer the affairs of the Corporation according to the resolution of the Board of Directors.

#### **Section 8.3 VICE PRESIDENT:**

- A.) Assist the President in the performance of his duties, and act as may be delegated by the President.
- B.) Should the President be absent or unable to serve the office, the Ecclesiastical Vice President shall perform the religious duties of the President, and the non-monk Vice President shall carry out those secular duties of the President.
- C.) In the event of vacancy of the office of the President, the Vice President shall succeed the office of the President and shall share equally in overall authority coordinating their duties as provided for in these Bylaws until a successor shall be appointed.

#### **Section 8.4 SECRETARIES:**

The secretary shall:

- A) Be custodian of all legal records and seal of Corporation.
- B) Record minutes of all meetings

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- C) Send notices, agenda of meetings and minutes of previous meetings to the members concerned.
- D) Conduct the correspondence of the Corporation
- E) Perform such other duties as assigned by the President.

#### **Section 8.5 TREASURER:**

The Treasurer shall:

- A) Be the custodian of all monies of the Corporation.
- B) Deposit all monies of the Corporation under the name of WAT THAMMADEVARAJ Buddhist Meditation Center in safe banking institution subject to the direction of the Board of Directors.
- C) Keep an accurate record of receipts and expenditures, each transaction must be accompanied by a receipt or a voucher slip.
- D) Submit at each regular meeting of the Board of Directors a report regarding to the financial transactions of the corporation, the funds of the corporation, and his/her actions as Treasurer.
- E) Pay all authorized obligations of the Corporation by vouchers which shall be countersigned by the President, unless otherwise provided for in these Bylaws.
- F) Perform such other duties assigned by the President and as provided for in these Bylaws.

The President with the approval of the Board of Directors may appoint from time to time any Committee to achieve the objectives of the corporation.

The term of the office and the number of members in any committee shall be determined by the Board of Directors as may seem appropriate.

No committee decisions shall be made by any single committee member, the action of a committee must represent the decision of majority of the entire committee membership.

## **ARTICLES OF IX**

### **MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

The Board of Directors shall meet at least 6 times annually. Special meetings may be called by the President or upon the request of the board members.

#### **Section 9.1 COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

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Committee meetings shall be subject to the agreement of their own members upon the call of the chairpersons as often as necessary to assure that the business is properly executed.

### **Section 9.2 GENERAL MEETINGS**

The annual meeting shall be on first week of January. Three voting members present in person shall constitute a quorum.

At the general meetings, the President or authorized individuals shall make summary reports of the past activities.

Each active member shall be notified by mail, of the general meeting, said notice to be delivered at least 30 days prior to the meeting. The notice shall state the date, place and agenda of the meeting.

Special general meeting of members of the corporation may be called by the President, the Board of Directors, or not less than 10 active members.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **AMENDMENTS**

These bylaws may be amended on two-thirds vote of active members physically present at any general meeting, provided a quorum is present. The amendments may be initiated by any active member with the approval of the Board of Directors. Should the proposed amendments be rejected by the Board of Directors, they may be resubmitted and brought into consideration of the meeting only when they are signed by not less than 10-20 active members.

Bylaw changes shall take effect at the close of the annual meeting at which they are approved except as otherwise specified at the time of approval. Such changes shall be published in the bulletin of the Corporation.

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION**

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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.