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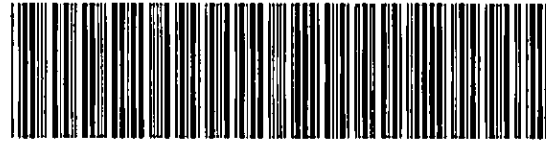
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**STATE OF FLORIDA  
NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
CENTRAL CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES,  
LEHIGH ACRES, FLORIDA, INC.**

Executed by the undersigned for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation in compliance with Chapter 617 of the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act:

**ARTICLE I**

The name of this Corporation shall be: **CENTRAL CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, LEHIGH, FLORIDA, INC.**

**ARTICLE II**

The principal office and mailing address of the Corporation is 4716 Lee Boulevard, Lehigh Acres, FL 33971.

MAILING ADDRESS: 1646 Cheshire Cir W, Lehigh Acres FL, 33936 c/o Donald Vamos

**ARTICLE III**

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are religious and specifically (1) to provide and maintain a proper place of worship for the benefit of Jehovah's Witnesses in and around the State of Florida and those who desire to attend such worship conducted by Jehovah's Witnesses in order to learn the truths of the faith and beliefs Of Jehovah's Witnesses, which are based upon the Bible, the written word of Almighty God, Jehovah; and (2) to acquire by gift, legacy, bequest, purchase, or lease; hold and manage; and/or mortgage, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of real estate and personal property in any lawful manner that may seem proper and best to provide and maintain such place of worship.

**ARTICLE IV**

Directors' qualifications, the manner of electing directors, and other matters pertaining to directors shall be as provided in the bylaws. To the extent permitted by law, no director, officer, or member of the Corporation shall be personally liable for any debts, liabilities, or obligations of the Corporation.

**ARTICLE V**

The number of directors and officers shall be three. The names and addresses of the initial directors and officers are:

|                  |           |                                                |
|------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------|
| Donald Vamos     | President | 1646 Cheshire Circle W, Lehigh Acres, FL 33936 |
| Irving Valentin  | Secretary | 3514 72nd Street W, Lehigh Acres, FL 33971     |
| Charles Roberson | Treasurer | 822 Champion Avenue, Lehigh Acres, FL 33971    |

## **ARTICLE VI**

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

Irving Valentin 3514 72nd Street W, Lehigh Acres, FL 33971

## **ARTICLE VII**

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Donald Vamos 1646 Cheshire Circle W, Lehigh Acres, FL 33936

## **ARTICLE VIII**

The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

## **ARTICLE IX**

The corporation shall have members. The number of members, members' qualifications, and other matters pertaining to members shall be as provided in the bylaws.

## **ARTICLE X**

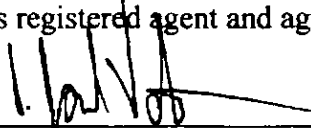
The property of this Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes, and no part of the net earnings or assets of this Corporation shall inure to the benefit of a director, officer, or member of the Corporation or any private individual. No substantial part of the activities of this Corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall this Corporation participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office. This Corporation is organized exclusively for religious purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the 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 of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States tax code) or (2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States tax code).

## **ARTICLE XI**

Upon the winding up and dissolution of this Corporation, after paying or adequately providing for debts and obligations of the Corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc. No assets will be deemed to be received by Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc., until such acceptance is evidenced in writing. If Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc., is not then in existence and 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 tax code), then said assets shall be distributed to any organization designated by the ecclesiastical Governing Body of

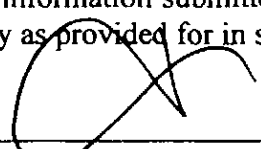
Jehovah's Witnesses that is organized and operated for religious purposes and is a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding section of any future United States tax code).

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

  
Irving Valentin, Registered Agent

Date 12/16 2022

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third-degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

  
Donald Varnos, Incorporator

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WITNESSES, LEHIGH ACRES, FLORIDA, INC.**

4716 Lee Boulevard, Lehigh Acres, FL 33971 | Phone: 239-688-5450

December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Articles of Incorporation—Not for Profit Corporation

Dear Sir or Madam:

We request that you file the enclosed Articles of Incorporation for a not for profit corporation. Also enclosed is a duplicate copy and a check for the filing fee (\$70).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. My telephone number is 239-209-2406 and my e-mail address is lawsecretary.dv@gmail.com.

Thank you for assisting us with this matter.

Yours very truly,



Donald Vamos

Enclosures: Original Articles of Incorporation  
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