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## Articles of Incorporation

of

## ReturnFaith Ministries, Inc.

## A Florida Not For Profit Corporation

# ARTICLE I CORPORATE NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of this Corporation is Return Faith Ministries, Inc. The address of this Corporation is 4216 74th Terrace East, Sarasota, Florida, 34243.

# ARTICLE II PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.

The Articles of Incorporation shall be effective as of the date of filing with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, and the Corporation shall have perpetual existence thereafter.

### ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The Corporation is being established by the members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation. The purpose of this not for profit Corporation is to operate a not for profit organization having solely such charitable purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as tax exempt organizations under that code including but not limited to having a primary purpose in full compliance with the above, that is further refined as follows: To further certain religious and other benevolent or charitable purposes, including but not limited to education, spiritual development and promotion of family values in a manner motivated by the teachings of Jesus Christ, subject always to the Code of Canon Law and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church as promulgated by the Roman Catholic Church.

### ARTICLE IV CORPORATE POWERS

The Corporation as a not for profit corporation shall have power to:

1. Have succession by its Corporation name for the period set forth in Article II above.

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- Sue and be sued and appear and defend in all actions and proceedings in its Corporation name to the same extent as a natural person.
- 3. Adopt, use, and alter a common corporate seal. However, such seal must always contain the words "corporation not for profit."
- 4. Elect or appoint such officers and agents as its affairs shall require.
- Adopt, change, amend, and repeal bylaws, not inconsistent with law or its articles of
  incorporation, for the administration of the affairs of the corporation and the exercise of its
  corporate powers.
- 6. Increase, by a vote cast as the bylaws may direct, the number of its directors so that the number shall not be less than three but may be any number in excess thereof.
- Make contracts and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as the Corporation may determine, issue its notes, bonds, and other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage and pledge of all or any of its property, franchises, or income.
- Conduct its affairs, carry on its operations, and have offices and exercise the powers granted by this act in any state, territory, district, or possession of the United States or any foreign country.
- Purchase, take, receive, lease, take by gift, devise, or bequest, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, or otherwise deal in and with real or personal property, or any interest therein, wherever situated.
- 10. Acquire, enjoy, utilize, and dispose of patents, copyrights, and trademarks and any licenses and other rights or interests thereunder or therein.
- 11. Sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, transfer, or otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.
- 12. Purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, convey, mortgage, lend, pledge, or otherwise dispose of and otherwise use and deal in and with, shares and other interests in, or obligations of, other domestic or foreign corporations, whether for profit or not for profit, associations, partnerships, or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States, or of any other government, state, territory, governmental district, municipality, or of any instrumentality thereof.
- 13. Lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds loaned or invested except as prohibited by s. 617.0833.
- Have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to affect any or all of the purposes for which the Corporation is organized.

# ARTICLE V PROHIBITIONS

Notwithstanding anything in these Articles of Incorporation to the contrary, 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 purposes set forth in Article III hereof. 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.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (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.

#### ARTICLE VI REGISTERED AGENT

The name and street address of the Registered Agent is:

Molly Schorr 4216 74<sup>th</sup> Terrace East Sarasota, Florida 34243.

### ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Corporation shall have a Board of Directors consisting of at least three (3) individuals and no more than ten (10) individuals.

- 1. The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by amendment or in the manner provided in the bylaws, but the Corporation shall never have fewer than three directors.
- 2. Directors shall be elected or appointed in the manner and for the terms as provided in the bylaws.
- 3. Directors may be divided into classes and the terms of office of the several classes need not be uniform. Each Director shall hold office for the term to which he or she is elected.

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- or appointed and until his or her successor has been elected or appointed and qualified or until his or her earlier resignation, removal from office, or death. All terms of office shall be held as provided in the bylaws.
- The affairs of the Corporation are to be managed by a President, Vice President, Secretary, 4. and a Treasurer and such other officers or committees as the Board of Directors may deem necessary from time to time as provided in the bylaws. Such officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors as provided in the bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VIII INCORPORATOR

The names and street address of the Incorporators who are signing these Articles of Incorporation are:

Molly Schore 4216 74th Terrace East Sarasota, Florida 34243

### ARTICLE IX **DIRECTORS**

The names and street addresses of the Officers and Directors are as follows:

Molly Schorr, President/Executive Director 4216 74th Ter. E. Sarasota, FL 34243

Anne Chrzan, Vice President 20732 Swallowtail Ct. Venice, FL 34293

Jon Jakoblich, Treasurer 10631 Lanesboro Way North Branch, MN 55056

Annie Tracy, Secretary 2651 Ulysses St. NE Minneapolis, MN 55418

Chris Kostelc 18034 68th Ave. N. Maple Grove, MN 55331

DIRECTORS, continued,

Fr. Jim Cogan, Chaplin 2929 Bee Ridge Rd. Sarasota, FL 34239

# ARTICLE X BYLAWS

The power to adopt, alter, or amend the Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors of this corporation.

## ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any meeting of the Board of Directors by a two-thirds affirmative vote of those present, provided that the proposed amendment(s) has been submitted to the Board of Directors at least ten days before final action is taken. Except that the purpose of the Corporation may only be amended by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE XII DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of this Corporation, the assets lawfully available for distribution of this Corporation shall be distributed to one or more exempt organizations having such exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as will qualify it as an exempt organization under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws with the primary goal of distributing to any one or more exempt organization(s) having a similar charitable purpose as ReturnFaith Ministries, Inc. Or, if none then such assets 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.

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| IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Director executes these Articles of Incorporation, duly adopted by majority vote of the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Board of Directors this  |            |
|---|------------|
| Molly Schort, President   | 22, 22, 28 |
| STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF SARASOTA   | 777 (      |
| The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this  |            |
| Notary Public   |            |
| YVONNE L SONOLL Notary Public State of Florida Commit HH234080 Expires 2/20/2026  |            |
| 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. |            |
| Molly Schorr Registered Agent   |            |
| STATE OF FLORIDA  COUNTY OF SARASOTA  The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this  |            |
| Notary Public   |            |

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