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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

THE DISCALCED CARMELITE NUNS OF THE MONASTERY OF THE LITTLE FLOWER OF JESUS, INC.,

a Florida not-for-profit corporation

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation not-for-profit under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, hereby makes, subscribes, acknowledges and files the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of the corporation is "THE DISCALCED CARMELITE NUNS OF THE MONASTERY OF THE LITTLE FLOWER OF JESUS, INC.", and its address is 8002 James Island Trail, Jacksonville, Florida 32256.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are to promote religious advancement within the State of Florida; to provide spiritual nourishment and to evangelize the teachings of Jesus Christ and of the Roman Catholic Church.

The general purposes for which this corporation is formed are to operate exclusively for such charitable purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 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 qualifying as tax-exempt organizations under that Code.

Except as limited by these Articles of Incorporation or its Bylaws, this corporation shall have and exercise all rights and powers in furtherance of its purposes as are now or may hereafter by conferred on not-for-profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III

From: Amber Penagos

MEMBERS

The Members of this corporation shall consist of no fewer than three (3) people, who shall include the Prioress, the First Councilor, and the Second Councilor. The initial Members of the Corporation shall be Lauren S. Lewis, also known as Mother Teresa of Jesus, O.C.D. (Prioress), Miriam Lyon, also known as Sister Miriam of Jesus (First Councilor), and Mary E. Curran, also known as Sister Mary Grace of the Holy Spirit, O.C.D. (Second Councilor). Additional Members may be appointed by the existing Members by majority vote.

ARTICLE IV

POWERS

Except as limited by these Articles of Incorporation or its Bylaws, this corporation shall have and exercise all rights and powers in furtherance of its purposes as are now or may hereafter by conferred on not-for profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida.

Without limiting the generality of the powers specified above, the specific powers this corporation shall be:

- (a) To acquire, by purchase, lease or otherwise, and hold title to such real property. including improvements thereon, and any personal property as may be beneficial to the fulfillment of the charitable, scientific, religious and educational purposes of Discalced Carmelite Nuns and other affiliated organizations:
- (b) To lease all or a portion of such real and personal property;
- (c) To borrow funds in order to expand, enhance, support or maintain the activities of this corporation or any of its affiliated organizations;
- (d) To make charitable contributions to any affiliated organizations;
- (e) To manage and operate any of its assets or the assets of others in recognition and attainment of the foregoing objectives; and
- (f) To utilize its income in furtherance of the foregoing objectives.

ARTICLE V

ADDRESS OF REGISTERED OFFICE; NAME OF REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 8002 James Island Trail, Jacksonville, Florida 32256. The initial registered agent of this corporation is Lauren S. Lewis, also known as Mother Teresa of Jesus, O.C.D.

ARTICLE VI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The business of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of not fewer than three (3) persons elected as provided in the Bylaws of this corporation. They shall be the Prioress, the First Councilor, and the Second Councilor.

The initial Directors (who will serve until the next election of Directors) are Lauren S. Lewis, also known as Mother Teresa of Jesus, O.C.D., Miriam Lyon, also known as Sister Miriam of Jesus, and Mary E. Curran, also known as Sister Mary Grace of the Holy Spirit, O.C.D.

The address of the initial Directors is 8002 James Island Trail, Jacksonville, Florida 32256.

ARTICLE VII

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is Lauren S. Lewis, also known as Mother Teresa of Jesus, O.C.D. Her address is 8002 James Island Trail, Jacksonville, Florida 32256.

ARTICLE VIII

TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE IX

COMMENCEMENT OF EXISTENCE

This corporation shall be deemed to commence its existence on the date of filing.

ARTICLE X

BYLAWS

The Directors shall adopt Bylaws for this corporation. The Bylaws may be amended, altered, modified or revoked by the Directors in any manner permitted by the Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI

OFFICERS

This corporation shall have a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Bylaws shall set forth the duties and manner of selection of this corporation's Officers.

ARTICLE XII

LIMITATIONS ON ACTIVITIES

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any Member, Director or Officer of this corporation or any other private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for this corporation affecting one or more of its purposes), and no Member, Director or Officer of this corporation, or any other private individual, shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of this corporation.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, this corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Code, or by an organization contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Code.

ARTICLE XIII

DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

No person, firm or corporation shall ever receive any dividends or profits from the undertaking of this corporation. Upon dissolution of this corporation, all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed, in compliance with canon and civil law: (i) if there shall remain any

sisters living in the monastery at the time of dissolution, to religious organizations with which such remaining sisters shall associate after dissolution of this corporation (in equal share) or (ii) if there shall not remain any sisters living in the monastery at the time of dissolution, unless otherwise provided by the Holy See, to the "Association of Christ the King" or other association of which the monastery was a member at the time of dissolution. If neither the conditions set forth in clause (i) above nor the conditions set forth in clause (ii) above shall be satisfied at the time of dissolution of this corporation, then all of this corporation's assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of dissolution shall, unless otherwise provided by the Holy See, be distributed to the Diocese of St. Augustine.

ARTICLE XIV

AMENDMENT OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles may be amended, altered, modified or revoked only upon the vote of the majority of the Members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name this August, 2024.

Lauren S. Lewis, also known as Mother Teresa of Jesus, O.C.D.

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DUVAL

On this 14th day of August, 2024, before me a Notary Public, duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgements, personally appeared Lauren S. Lewis, also known as Mother Teresa of Jesus, O.C.D., to me known to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument or who presented as identification and acknowledge that she executed the same for the purpose therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunder set my hand and official seal this <u>14th</u> day of August, 2024.

NOTARY PUBLIC

State of Florida-at-Large

Wettie Emerick

My Commission Expires: Sept. 20, 2027

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process of the above-styled corporation, at the address stated below, I hereby accept to act in the capacity of Registered Agent and agree to comply with the provisions relative to keeping the Registered Office of the corporation open.

Lauren S. Lewis, also known as Mother Teresa of Jesus, O.C.D.

8002 James Island Trail, Jacksonville, Florida 32256

REGISTERED AGENT

Executed this Aday of August, 2024.