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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF COCONUT GROVE ECUMENICAL NETWORK, INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 617.0202, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Florida not-for-profit corporation, Coconut Grove Ecumenical Network, Inc. (the "Corporation"), hereby certifies and files the following Articles of Incorporation:

Article I: Name

The name of the Corporation is: Coconut Grove Ecumenical Network, Inc.

Article II: Principal Place of Business and Mailing Address

The principal place of business of the Corporation is: 3616 Day Avenue Coconul Grove, FL 33133 The mailing address of the Corporation is: 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133

Article III: Duration

The duration of this Corporation is perpetual.

Article IV: Membership

The Corporation shall have members and the manner of their admission shall be set forth in the Corporation's hylaws.

Article V: Corporate Purposes

The Corporation is formed exclusively for charitable and educational, and consists of the following:

- 1. This Corporation is formed exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- 2. To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds, and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes, no part of the net earnings of which insures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.
- 3. To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attaining of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly, and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms,

- associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments or agencies.
- 4. All of the foregoing purposes shall be exercised exclusively in a charitable and educational manner, such that the Corporation will qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

Article VI: 501(c)(3) Limitations

- 1. Corporate Purposes: Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, this Corporation shall not conduct any activities that are not permitted to be conducted by an organization exempt from Federal and state income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- 2. <u>Exclusivity</u>: The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.
- 3. No Private Enurement: The Corporation is not organized nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. The Corporation shall not distribute any gains, profits, or dividends to the Directors, Officers, members or trustees thereof, or to any other private persons or individuals, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services actually performed in carrying out, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of, the Corporation's charitable and educational purposes. The property, assets, profits, and net income of the Corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes, no part of which shall inure to the benefit of any private person or individual.
- 4. <u>Lobbying and Political Campaigns</u>: No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. 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.
- 5. <u>Dissolution</u>: Upon winding up and dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of all debts and liabilities shall be distributed to an organization recognized as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, to be used exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, or 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. If the Corporation holds any assets in trust, such assets shall be disposed of in such a manner as may be directed by decree of a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the Corporation's principal office

is located, upon petition thereof by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.

Article VII: Directors/Officers

The names and addresses of the initial Directors are as follows:

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Pastor Willie Ford 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133 President/Director

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Gordon Fales 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133 Chair Emeritus/Director

Dr. Joyce Price 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133 Advisor/Director

Loretta Whittle 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133 Director

Joan Chambers 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133 Director

Carolyn Donaldson 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133 Treasurer/Director

Sherrill Martin 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grave, FL 33133 Secretary/Director

Maggie Porcher 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133 Director

Andrea Burt 3616 Day Avenue Coconut Grove, FL 33133 Director

Article VIII: Manner of Election

The method of selection of the Board of Directors, Officers, and number of Directors shall be stated in the Bylaws of the Corporation

Article IX: Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Carolyn Donaldson 17427 NW 62nd Ct Miami, FL 33015

Article X: Registered Agent

The name and address of the initial Registered Agent is:

Sherrill Martin 6201 SW 61 St Miami, FL 33143

Article XI: Indemnification

Any person (and the heirs, executors and administrators of such person) made or threatened to be made a party to any action, suit of proceeding by reason of the fact that he is or was a Director or Officer of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against any and all liability and the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and disbursements, incurred by him (or by his heirs, executors or administrators) in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appearance therein, except in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding that such Director or Officer is liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duties. Such right of indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such Director or Officer (or such heirs, executors of administrators) may be entitled apart from this Article.

Article XII: Debt Obligations and Personal Liability

No Officer or Director of this Corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this Corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the Officers or Directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this Corporation.

Article XIII: AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in accordance with, and as provided for in, the Corporation's bylaws.

[Signatures on following page]

EXECUTION

These Articles of Incorporation are hereby executed by the incorporators on this $11^{\rm TH}$ day of April, 2024.

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.

Dated this 11th day of April 2024.

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REGISTERED AGENT'S ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT

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

Dated this 11th day of April 2024.

Bv.

Sherrill Martin, Registered Agent