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Re:

EAST SPRING HILL CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S

WITNESSES, INC., a Corporation Not For Pecuniary Profit

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will please find the original and one (1) copy of Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation for EAST SPRING HILL CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC., a Corporation Not For Pecuniary Profit, together with our check in the amount of \$43.75 in payment of the filing fee (\$35.00) and certified copy (\$8.75).

Kindly return the certified copy of the Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

HARVEY V. DELZER

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July 27, 2001

HARVEY V. DELZER, ESQ. DELZLER & COULTER, P.A. 7920 US HIGHWAY 19 PORT RICHEY, FL 34668

SUBJECT: EAST SPRING HILL CONGREGATIONS OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC.

Ref. Number: N9400002237

We have received your document for EAST SPRING HILL CONGREGATIONS OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC. and check(s) totaling \$43.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned to you for the following reason(s):

The current name of the entity is as referenced above. Please correct your document accordingly.

Please entitle your document Articles of Amendment.

The incorporator(s) cannot be amended or changed. Please correct your document accordingly.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6905.

Thelma Lewis
Corporate Specialist Supervisor

Letter Number: 901A00043837

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

FOR

EAST SPRING HILL CONGREGATIONS OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

(A Corporation Not For Pecuniary Profit)

EAST SPRING HILL CONGREGATIONS OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC., a Florida Corporation Not For Pecuniary Profit, under its corporate seal and the hands of its President, HOWARD A. DURKEE, and its Secretary, MICHAEL GENOVESE, certifies that:

1. In accordance with the By-Laws of the Corporation, the General Membership of the Corporation, at a meeting called and held on the 11th day of July, 2001, adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the Articles of Incorporation be amended as follows:

"We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that we have associated ourselves together for the purpose of becoming a corporation not for pecuniary profit, under and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, providing for the formation, rights, privileges and immunities of corporations not for profit, and pursuant to the terms of said statute, we hereby make, subscribe, acknowledge and file these Articles of Incorporation and further disclose as follows:

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be EAST SPRING HILL CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC., (A Corporation Not For Pecuniary Profit), whose registered office and principal place of business shall be 2283 Renton Lane, Spring Hill, Florida 34609, and HOWARD A. DURKEE is hereby designated as the registered agent of said corporation at the above address.

ARTICLE II

This corporation shall have the power and authority to forward the purposes and accomplish the objects hereinafter set forth, and to do and perform the same in accordance with the law as follows:

- A. To provide and maintain a proper place of worship for the benefit of Jehovah's Witnesses in and around the State of Florida and for 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 to acquire by gift, legacy, bequest, purchase or lease, and to 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.
- B. To lease, purchase, receive through donation or otherwise procure, own or hold custody or possession of property, whether real, personal or mixed for the purpose of developing and promoting the aforesaid activities.

C. To make contracts and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as the corporation may determine, issues notes, bonds or other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage, and pledge all or any of its property or income; to sue and be sued and appear and defend in all actions and proceedings in its corporate name to the same extent as a natural person; to adopt and use a common corporate seal and alter the same; provided, however, that such seal shall always contain the words "Corporation Not For Pecuniary Profit"; to conduct its affairs, carry on its operations, and have offices; to 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; to sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets; to purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, bid, 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 individual, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States, or any other government, state, territory, governmental district, municipality, or of any instrumentality thereof; to lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest funds and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned or invested; to make donations for art, education or other similar purposes; and have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect any or all of the purposes for which the corporation is organized.

ARTICLE III

This Corporation shall consist of members. The number of members, the members' qualifications and other matters pertaining to members shall be as provided in the By-Laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV

EAST SPRING HILL CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC., (A Corporation Not For Pecuniary Profit), shall exist perpetually or until such time as the same becomes dissolved or merged.

ARTICLE V

The affairs of this corporation not for pecuniary profit shall be managed by the following officers:

President

- HOWARD A. DURKEE

Secretary

- MICHAEL GENOVESE

Treasurer

- TIMOTHY P. SIBILIA

The foregoing officers shall serve until the first annual meeting, and all succeeding officers shall serve for a period of one (1) year.

ARTICLE VI

The Board of Directors of this corporation shall consist

of not less than three (3) Directors, and they shall be elected annually in accordance with the By-Laws. The names and addresses of the first Board of Directors are as follows:

HOWARD A. DURKEE 2283 Renton Lane Spring Hill, Florida 34609

MICHAEL GENOVESE 3344 Trumpetfish Lane Spring Hill, Florida 34609

TIMOTHY P. SIBILIA 5140 Bone Lane Brooksville, Florida 34604

ARTICLE VII

The By-Laws of this corporation may be made, altered or rescinded by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at an annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation shall be proposed at a regular meeting of the membership, and each such proposed amendment to these Articles of Incorporation shall be presented at least ten (10) days before such meeting, and such amendment shall be put to a vote and shall be ratified and adopted by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members voting.

ARTICLE IX

No person, firm or corporation shall ever receive any dividends or profits from the undertaking of this corporation, and upon dissolution of this organization, all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution 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.

ARTICLE X

The officers of this corporation shall be charged with the obligation and duty of maintaining in good working order the necessary and proper equipment and other implements essential for the carrying out of the purposes as set forth in these Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of this corporation; to maintain proper books of account and inventories with regard to dues, receipts, disbursements and

property of this corporation. To the extent permitted by law, however, no director, officer or member of the corporation shall be personally liable for any debts, liabilities or obligations of the corporation.

ARTICLE XII

The Board of Directors of this corporation shall be charged with the obligation and duty of adopting and promulgating the general policy of this corporation with respect to the purposes for which it is herein formed.

ARTICLE XIII

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by: (a) a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Sections 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law; or (b) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

ARTICLE XIV

This corporation is organized exclusively for religious purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 502(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law."

2. That at a meeting of the General Membership of said Corporation called on the 11th day of July, 2001, the said Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation was duly adopted by a two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the members present and voting, and that the votes cast were sufficient for approval in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto made and subscribed to this Amendment to Articles of Incorporation this // day of July, 2001.

"CORPORATE SEAL"

HOWARD A. DURKEE, as President.

MICHAEL GENOVESE, as Secretary.

STATE OF FLORIDA : COUNTY OF HERNANDO:

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared HOWARD A. DURKEE and MICHAEL GENOVESE, the President and Secretary, respectively, personally known to me, or who each provided <u>Hla. driver's licenses</u> as identification, and they acknowledged before me that they executed the foregoing Certificate of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation for the purposes set forth therein, and that their execution is

the act and deed of the Corporation.

DATED this //tl day of July, 2001.

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Notary Public

Typed Name of Notary:
RULENE HOLLOWAY

My Commission Expires:

Official Seal
RULENE HOLLOWAY
Notary Public, State of Florida
My comm. expires Oct. 17, 2004
Comm. No. CC975848