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

Re: St. Lucie Presbyterian Church, Inc. (P.C.A.)

Dears Sirs:

Please find enclosed the Articles of Incorporation of the above named not for profit corporation. Please return your correspondence to the above address.

Sincerely,

Christopher DeSantis

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

OF

ST. LUCIE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, INC. (P.C.A.)

A Not-For-Profit Corporation

Whereas, St. Lucie Presbyterian Church, Inc. (P.C.A.) (hereinafter called the "Church"), is a missionary church of The Presbyterian Church in America (hereinafter called the "P.C.A."), which missionary church is organized by the authority of The Presbyterian Church in America, in accordance with the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America and

Whereas, the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America provides for the incorporation of a corporation for the Church to receive, hold, encumber, manage and transfer property and to facilitate the management of its civil affairs in such a manner as may be directed by its Board of Directors from time to time and according to the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America.

Now, Therefore, We, the undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, being not less than three natural persons competent to contract, do hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of forming such a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

Article I

NAME

The name of the Corporation is St. Lucie Presbyterian Church, Inc. (P.C.A.)

Article II

RELATIONSHIP TO THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

THE CHURCH ("P.C.A.") is one church with its Assembly, , and as parts thereof. Its mission is one mission. Being one church, ownership of all its properties is shared by all its members, despite the multiplicity of corporations among its parts. All property owned by the Church, however titled, is a resource of the one church to be utilized for the mission of the Church, through all its parts. All property titled in the name of this Corporation is held in accordance with this policy and is held in trust for THE CHURCH by this Corporation as an integral part of that church.

#### Article III

#### PURPOSES AND POWERS

The purposes for which the Corporation exists and its powers, under the authority of the Board of Directors of the Church and the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America and subject to the permission of the Church when required, are as follows:

A. To be the corporation which the Church aforesaid has caused to be formed, pursuant to the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America to receive, hold, encumber, manage and transfer property and to facilitate the management of its civil affairs in such a manner as may be directed by its Board of Directors from time to time and according to the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America.

B. To take, receive, hold, administer and dispose of all lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises, hereditaments, moneys, securities, income and property, real and personal, of any kind, which at any time or times heretofore have been or which at any time and from time to time may hereafter be given, granted, bargained, sold, released, devised, bequeathed, conveyed, transferred, assigned, set over or delivered by any person or persons, corporations, associations, trustees, foundations or other forms of organization, to the Church or to this Corporation or to the predecessors of either, or to their use or to the use of any of them, or in trust for them or any of them, or to them or any of them for the support of any work, activity, purpose, project or interest of the church or its predecessors, in which property of any kind the Church or this Corporation or the predecessors of either have or are intended to have any legal or equitable interest, present or future, vested or contingent.

C. To take over, administer, manage and supervise all civil affairs of the Church, subject to the direction and authority of the Ohurch.

D. To form, incorporate, terminate or dissolve civil agencies or corporations to carry out any of its purposes, which actions shall be reported to the Board of Directors of the Church, and to manage, supervise, control, direct and maintain such civil agencies or corporations. Each such civil agency or corporation shall have the same relationship to the Church as this Corporation has.

E. To serve as an agency of the Church in the presentation of the needs and work of the Church.

F. To exercise all the powers conferred by law upon corporations not for profit, to the extent that such powers are not in conflict with the purposes of the Corporation nor with the

directions or policy of the Church.

G. To operate exclusively for such religious 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 future United States internal revenue law.

H. 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 Section 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 IV

#### DISSOLUTION

If the Church is formally dissolved by the Board of Directors or becomes extinct by reason of the dispersal of its members, the abandonment of its work, or other cause, such property as the Corporation may have, both real and personal, and including subsidiary or subordinate civil agencies or corporations, shall be held, used, or applied for such uses, purposes, or trusts as the Presbytery of South Florida, Iric., a not for profit corporation, may direct, limit, or appoint, or such property may be sold or disposed of as Presbytery of South Florida, Inc., a not for profit corporation, may direct, in conformity with the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America.

Article V

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The term of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

Article VI

**MEMBERS** 

The Members of the Corporation shall be the active members of the St. Lucie Presbyterian Church, Inc.(P.C.A.) ]. Qualification, admission, termination, standing and all other terms and conditions of membership shall be the same as those for active membership in the Church, as they now or hereafter exist, and shall be in accordance with the Book of Church Order of the

Presbytenan Church in America. The Members shall not be personally liable for the debts of the Corporation.

#### Article VII

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The management of the Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors of not less than three (3) directors nor more than seven (7) directors, each of whom must be a Member of the Corporation in good standing. The Members shall elect the Directors in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation and with the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America. The Directors shall deal with the property of the Corporation only as they may be authorized or directed by the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America. The Directors shall exercise their authority in conformity with the actions of the Presbytery of South Florida, Inc. as conveyed to them from time to time. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as Trustees until the first election thereof are as follows:

Name	Address
Thomas Gaskill	10720 Grey Heron Court, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986 206 Old Key West Drive ,Ft. Pierce, Florida 34982 404 SW Sycamore Cove. Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986

#### Article VIII

#### **OFFICERS**

The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be elected by the Directors from time to time. Two or more offices may be held by the same person, except that the same person may not be President and Secretary simultaneously. The officers shall be elected and committees may be established by the Board of Directors in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation and with the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America. The following persons are to serve as officers until the first election thereof:

<u>Name</u> Office

Thomas Gaskill	dent
Christopher DeSantis Vice President Christopher DeSantis	dent
Hamilton Corey, Jr.	tary
Hamilton Corey, Jr	urer

#### Article IX

#### **SUBSCRIBERS**

The names and residence addresses of the subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

Name	Address
Thomas Gaskill	10720 Grey Heron Court, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986 206 Old Key West Drive , Ft. Pierce, Florida 34982 404 SW Sycamore Cove. Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986

#### Article X

#### REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the registered office of the Corporation in the State of is 1954 S.E. Port St. Lucie Blvd., Port St. Lucie, Florida 34952 and the name of its initial registered agent at such address shall be Christopher DeSantis. Principal address is same as registered address.

#### Article XI

#### **BYLAWS**

The Bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by, and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the Members, subject to these Articles of Incorporation and . All actions regarding Bylaws shall be reported to the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America.

#### Article XII

#### **AMENDMENTS**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended subject to the Book of Church Order of the Presbyterian Church in America, at any annual meeting or special meeting by a two-thirds vote of the Members present, provided that a full reading of the proposed changes (or a printed distribution of the same) shall have been made in connection with the call of the meeting. All amendments must be approved in writing by the before becoming effective.

In Witness Whereof, we have subscribed our names and seals as dated below.

Ham, Hon Coney D.	
Hamilton Corey, Jr. Incorporator/Subscriber	March <u>34</u> , 1995
Themas HANGE	
Thomas Gaskill, Incorporator/Subscriber	March 24, 1995
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Christopher DeSantis, Incorporator/Subscriber	March <u>· · · '</u> , 1995

State of Florida County of St. Lucie

Before me on March  $3\sqrt{.}$  1995 personally appeared Christopher DeSantis, who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, who is either personally known to me or who produced a driver's license as identification, and who acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed. He did not take an oath.

Witness my hand and official seal, on March  $\frac{C}{C}$ , 1995 in the aforesaid County and State.

State of Florida County of St. Lucie

State.

Before me on March  $\underline{\cancel{24}}$ , 1995 personally appeared Thomas Gaskill , who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, who is either personally known to me or who produced a driver's license as identification, and who acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed. He did not take an oath.

Witness my hand and official seal, on March <u>24</u>, 1995 in the aforesaid County and

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Notary Public	
My Commission Expires:	E CHRISTOPHER DE SANTIS
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ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT SECRETARY DE STATE TALLAHASSEE. FLORIDA

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as Registered Agent of ST. LUCIE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, INC. (P.C.A.), which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

State of Florida County of St. Lucie

Before me on March 24, 1995 personally appeared Christopher DeSantis, who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acceptance, who is either personally known to me or who produced a driver's licerise as identification, and who acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed. He did not take in oath,

Witness my hand and official seal, on March  $2\sqrt{\cdot}$ , 1995 in the aforesaic County and

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Notary Public 1-2 1-2 My Commission Expires:\_\_/

My Commission No. Is SS 1901

ROBERTA KULAS LAY COMMUNICAN A CONVENTAD EXPIRES January 28, 1993 Equato Third Thay fire Housewice, INC.