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SUBJECT: JEFF FORD MINISTRIES, INC.

(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certificate

☒ \$122.50
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$131.25
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

FROM: JEFFREY FORD
Name (Printed or typed)

605 LITHIA PINECREST RD
Address

BRANDON FL 33511
City, State & Zip

813-661-7729
Daytime Telephone number

JEFF FORD GAVE
AUTHORIZATION BY PHONE TO
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DATE 6-8-96
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
JEFF FORD MINISTRIES, INC.

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we the undersigned, residents of the State of Florida and citizens of the United States of America, of full age of majority, have for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, for the purposes expressed in ARTICLE III hereof, adopted the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

The Name of this corporation shall be JEFF FORD MINISTRIES, INC. and its duration is to be perpetual.

ARTICLE II

The name of the registered agent and the location and principal address of the corporation's registered office in the State of Florida is Jeffrey Ford, 605 Lithia Pinecrest Rd., Brandon, FL. 33511. Mailing address is P.O. Box 2271, Valrico, FL, 33595

ARTICLE III

This nonprofit corporation is organized and operated exclusively for the religious purposes of a church within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, of the United States of America.

In furtherance of its nonprofit, tax-exempt purposes, the corporation shall have the following powers and authority; however, the corporation shall not be empowered, and is prohibited from, engaging in any activity which is not allowed pursuant to Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, of the United States of America:

- (a) To operate under the name as set forth in ARTICLE I above;
- (b) To employ qualified legal counsel and other necessary personnel to carry out the purposes of this corporation;
- (c) To accept financial contributions;
- (d) To conduct its activities in accordance with and subject to all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations;
- (e) To adopt and use a corporate seal;
- (f) To make contracts;
- (g) By its Board of Trustees to appoint such officers and employees as may be decreed proper; define their authority and duties; fix their compensation; require bonds of such of

them as it deems advisable and fix the penalty thereof;
dismiss such officers or employees, or any thereof for any
good reason and appoint others to fill their places;

(h) To adopt bylaws regulating and establishing:

- (1) A definite and distinct ecclesiastical government;
- (2) A formal code of doctrine and discipline;
- (3) A congregational membership not associated with any church and/or denomination;
- (4) An organization of ordained ministers ministering to the congregation;
- (5) A system of ordaining ministers after completing prescribed courses of study;
- (6) A literature of the ministry;
- (7) Regular religious services;
- (8) Training classes and seminars for the instruction of young and old; and
- (9) Schools for the preparation of its ministers; and
- (10) Christian Schools for the instruction of children;

- (i) To minister sacerdotal functions and conduct regular religious worship service;
- (j) To adopt and assume names in the furtherance of its nonprofit, tax exempt purposes;
- (k) To use any and all media, including but not limited to, print, television and radio, in the furtherance of its nonprofit, tax-exempt purpose;
- (l) To conduct seminars in the furtherance of its tax-exempt purposes;
- (m) To provide a local place for the worship of Almighty God, Our Heavenly Father;
- (n) To provide for Christian Fellowship for those of like faith, where the Holy Spirit and Jesus Christ, the Son of God, may be honored according to our distinctive testimony;
- (o) To assume our share of the responsibility and the privilege of propagating the Gospel of Jesus Christ;
- (p) To acquire, hold, operate, mortgage, hypothecate, and dispose of any property (real, personal or mixed) whenever necessary or appropriate to the carrying out of its nonprofit, tax-exempt purposes; and
- (q) To exercise such incidental powers as may reasonably be necessary to carry out the purposes for which the corporation is established, provided that such incidental powers shall be exercised in a manner consistent with its tax-exempt status as a religious organization as set forth in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, of the United States of America.

Notwithstanding any provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall not engage in any political activity proscribed by Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, of the United States of America, nor shall any income or assets of the corporation inure to the benefit of any member, private individual or business entity.

ARTICLE IV

The number of trustees, and their qualifications, of this corporation shall be established in the bylaws of this corporation. The Board of trustees shall be the only voting members of the corporation and shall conduct all of the business of the corporation except as specifically delegated.

ARTICLE V

This non-profit corporation is formed without any purpose of monetary profit to itself or its members and shall have no capital stock.

ARTICLE VI

The registered agent of the corporation shall be, Jeffrey Ford, 605 Lithia Pinecrest Rd. The corporation's initial registered office is, 605 Lithia Pinecrest Rd., Brandon, FL. 33511

ARTICLE VII

The name and address of each incorporate.

Jeffrey Ford
605 Lithia Pinecrest Rd.
Brandon, FL 33511

William H. McDonald
4703 Durant Rd.
Valrico, FL 33594

Jacqueline McDonald
4703 Durant Rd.
Valrico, FL 33594

ARTICLE VIII

Upon dissolution of the corporation for any cause, all of the assets and property, both real and personal, then owned or controlled by this corporation shall revert to and become the property of a non-profit institution accorded tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, of the United States of America, to be designated by the board of Trustees; provided, however, that the just debts and liabilities of the corporation shall first be paid. Upon dissolution, none of the assets or property of the corporation shall devolve to the benefit of any private individual or business entity of the corporation.

ARTICLE IX

The President of the Corporation shall manage the daily affairs of the corporation. The President will be elected on an annual basis from the voting members of the corporation.

ARTICLE X


The by-laws of the corporation may be made, altered, or rescinded by the Board of Trustees of the corporation, through regular or special meeting.

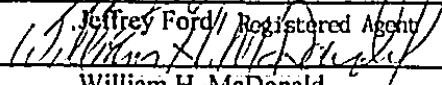
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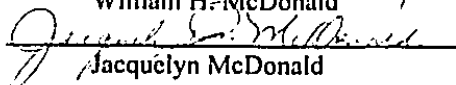
These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting of the membership of the corporation, or at a special meeting called for that purpose, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority.

The undersigned Incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 21th day of May, 1996. I am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation.

Signatures of Incorporators:



Jeffrey Ford/ Registered Agent


William H. McDonald


Jacquelyn McDonald