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April 15, 1998

James O. Wimberly  
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Secretary of State  
Corporate Records Bureau  
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Department of State  
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RE: Lake Maggiore Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Inc.

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed herein please find the following with respect to the above-captioned corporation:

Original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation together with Registered Agent Acceptance.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$70.00 to be applied as follows:

Filing Fees	\$ 35.00
Registered Agent Designation	35.00
Total	\$ 70.00

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

If you have any questions concerning the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

*James O. Wimberly*  
(813) 327-9253

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Sandra B. Mortham  
Secretary of State

April 22, 1998

JAMES O. WIMBERLY  
2510 33RD ST. SO.  
ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33212

SUBJECT: LAKE MAGGIORE CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES,  
INC.  
Ref. Number: W98000008941

We have received your document for LAKE MAGGIORE CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

You must list the corporation's principal office and/or a mailing address in the document.

We regret that we were unable to contact you by phone. Please return the corrected document with a letter providing us with an address and telephone number where you can be reached during working hours.

Please return the original and one copy of 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) 487-6878.

John Nedeau  
Document Specialist

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
LAKE MAGGIORE CONGREGATION OF  
JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC.

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We, the undersigned hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of becoming a Corporation Not For Profit under the laws of the State of Florida providing for the formation, rights, privileges and immunities of Corporation Not For Profit, said Statutes being set forth as Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE I

The name of this Corporation shall be The LAKE MAGGIORE CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, INC., with the principal place of business in Pinellas County, Florida.

ARTICLE II

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are as follows: To provide for a proper place of worship and to maintain such place of worship for the benefit of Jehovah's Witnesses among the population of the City and surrounding area of St. Petersburg, State of Florida, and those who desire to attend such worship conducted by Jehovah's Witnesses in said areas to learn the truths of the faith and belief of Jehovah's Witnesses, based upon the Bible, the written word of Almighty God, Jehovah; and to take by gift, legacy or bequest, and to purchase, lease, hold, sell, convey, acquire, mortgage, manage, dispose of and deal in real estate and personal property in any manner that may seem proper and best for the welfare of the Congregation.

ARTICLE III

Membership in this Corporation shall be limited to those individuals who are fully dedicated to Almighty God, Jehovah, baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses and who are completely in harmony with the scripturally sound doctrines and organization instructions set forth by the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Pennsylvania and who report ministerial activity to the Lake Maggiore Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, St. Petersburg, Florida as more fully set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV

The term of this corporation shall be perpetual, unless otherwise decreed by its Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE V

The name and residence of the Initial Incorporator of this Corporation is James O. Wimberly Sr., 2510 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, St. Petersburg, Florida 33212

#### ARTICLE VI

The Board of three or more Directors shall be the governing body of the Corporation. The business affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted and managed by a President, a Vice President and a Secretary-Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Board of Directors as further set forth in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE VII

The names of the officers who are to serve until the first election are as follows:

James O. Wimberly, Sr.	President
James D. Graham, Jr.	Vice President
James Rivers	Secretary-Treasurer

#### ARTICLE VIII

The initial Registered Agent of the Corporation shall be James O. Wimberly, Sr. whose address is 2510 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, St. Petersburg, Florida 33212. THIS IS ALSO THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS.

#### ARTICLE IX

The number of persons constituting the first Board of Directors and their names and addresses are as follows:

James O. Wimberly 2510 33 <sup>rd</sup> St. So. St. Petersburg, FL 33212	James D. Graham, Jr. 810-85th Ave. So. St. Petersburg, FL 33705
James Rivers 2426 Queen St. So. St. Petersburg, FL 33712	

#### ARTICLE X

The Board of Directors shall be elected in the manner set forth in the By Laws of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE XI

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be proposed and adopted by a two-thirds vote of the membership of the Corporation.

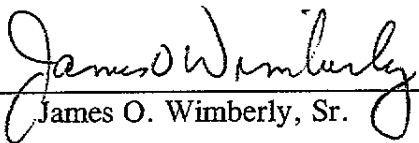
ARTICLE XII

In the event of the dissolution of this corporation, the assets thereof shall not inure to the benefit of any individual, whether trustee, officer or member of this Corporation, but upon any such dissolution the assets of this Corporation shall only be transferred to another incorporated congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses or to the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation.

ARTICLE XIII

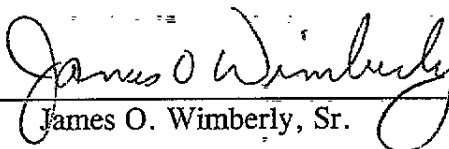
This Corporation is organized exclusively for and will be operated exclusively for religious purposes; no part of its net income will inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; it will not, as a substantial part of its activities, attempt to influence legislation; it will not participate to any extent in a political campaign for or against any candidate for political office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned subscriber and incorporator has hereunto set his hand and seal at Pinellas County, Florida.

  
James O. Wimberly, Sr.

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been designated as the Registered Agent of the above-named Corporation to accept service of process for said Corporation, at the place designated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for said Corporation.

  
James O. Wimberly, Sr.

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