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**Pastor** 13612 South Village Drive Tampa, Florida 33624 813-969-1759

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#### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Sandra B. Mortham Secretary of State

October 30, 1998

REV. ANTHONY AGOSTO 13612 S. VILLAGE DR. TAMPA, FL 33624

SUBJECT: HOPE CHRISTIAN CENTER, INC.

Ref. Number: W98000024648

We have received your document for HOPE CHRISTIAN CENTER, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The document must contain a registered agent with a Florida street address and a <u>signed</u> statement of acceptance. (i.e. I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent.)

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

The document must have original signatures.

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.

Alan Crum Document Specialist

Letter Number: 398A00053215

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

#### HOPE CHRISTIAN CENTER, Inc.

The undersigned, being the current President and Secretary of Hope Christian Center, Inc. as a not for profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation, and do hereby agree and certify as follows:

#### ARTICLE I.

## NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of this Corporation shall be HOPE CHRISTIAN CENTER Inc. with its principal office located at 13612 South Valage Drive, Tampa, Florida 33624.

#### ARTICLE II

#### PURPOSES AND GENERAL POWERS

URATION FLORIDA The general purpose of this Corporation shall transaction of any and all lawful business. This Corporation shall be organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law). This Corporation shall have all of the powers enumerated in the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as the same now exists and as hereafter amended, and all such other powers as are permitted by applicable law, including, without limitation and only by illustration, the following:

- To have a corporate seal, which may be altered at pleasure, and to use the same by causing it, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed , affixed, or in any other manner reproduced provided; however, such seal shall always contain the words "corporation not for profit."
- To purchase, take, receive, lease, take by gift, devise or bequest or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, and otherwise deal in and with real or personal property or any interest therein, wherever situated.
- To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, create security interests in, lease, exchange, transfer, and otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.

- (d) To lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned and invested.
- (e) To purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, lend, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, and otherwise sell and deal in and with, shares and other interests in, or obligations of, other domestic and foreign corporations, whether for profit or not for profit associations, partnerships or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States or of any other government, state, territory, governmental district, or municipality or of any instrumentality thereof.
- (f) To make contracts and guarantees and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as its Board of Directors may determine, issue its notes, bonds, and other obligations and secure any of its obligations by mortgage or pledge of al or any of its property, franchises, and income.
- (g) To enter into, make, receive assignments of, grant assignments, and perform contracts of every nature and kind for any lawful purpose.
- (h) To conduct its business, carry on its operations, and have offices and exercise the powers granted by the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act or by other applicable law within or without the State of Florida.
- (i) To elect or appoint officers and agents and define their duties and allow them reasonable compensation.
- (j) To make and alter bylaws, not inconsistent with its Articles of Incorporation or with the laws of the State of Florida, for the administration and regulation of its affairs.
- (k) To promote, by all proper and legitimate agencies and means, education and educational institutions generally, and any and all charitable, religious, scientific and educational movements, purposes or causes; to make gifts and donations for the public welfare or for charitable, religious, scientific, educational purposes or other similar purposes.
- (1) To dedicate to the public or to any governmental entity or other whatsoever for any public or other purpose any of its real or personal property or any interest therein.
- (m) To transact any lawful business which its Board of Directors shall find will be in aid of governmental policy.
- (n) To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect its general purpose.

#### ARTICLE III

#### MEMBERSHIP AND DIRECTORS

The Corporation shall not have members, but shall be operated, exclusively by its Board of Directors who shall be qualified and admitted as set forth in the Bylaws of this Corporation.

#### ARTICLE IV

## REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The registered office of this Corporation shall be located at 13612 South Village Drive, Tampa, Florida 33624 and the registered agent of the Corporation at that address shall be Anthony Agosto.

The Corporation may change its registered agent or the location of its registered office, or both from time to time without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE V

#### CURRENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Corporation currently has four (4) directors. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time as provided in the Bylaws. The name and street address of the current directors of this Corporation are:

Anthony Agosto, President 13612 S. Village Drive Tampa, Florida 33624

Belinda Agosto, Vice President & Secretary 13612 South Village Drive Tampa, Florida 33624

Richard Ortiz, Treasurer 315 Crystal Goblet Court Valrico, Florida 33594

Maria Garcia, Trustee 315 Crystal Goblet Court Valrico, Florida 33594

#### ARTICLE VI

#### EARNINGS, DISSOLUTION ACTIVITIES

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its constituents, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherances of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof. No part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, corporation shall not participate in, or intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public Notwithstanding any other provision of these office. articles , the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by 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) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.) Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or such organization organizations organized and operated exclusively charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States revenue law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is the 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.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### BYLAWS

Except as otherwise provided by law, the power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### INDEMNIFICATION

In addition to any rights and duties under applicable law, the Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless all its directors, officers, employees and agents, and former directors, officers, employees and agents from and against all liabilities and obligations, including attorney's fees, incurred in connection with any actions taken or failed to be taken by said directors, officers, employees and agents in their capacity as such except for willful misconduct or gross negligence.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### AMENDMENT

This Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto.

#### ARTICLE X

#### HEADINGS AND CAPTIONS

The headings and captions of these various Articles are inserted for convenience and none of them shall have any force or effect, and the interpretation of the various Articles shall not be influenced by any said headings or captions

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the President and Vice President of the Corporation herein before named, hereby make and file these Articles of Incorporation declaring and certifying that same were duly adopted by the directors of the Corporation, Articles of Incorporation hereby subscribe thereto and hereunto set their hand and seal this 21 day of October 1998.

Anthony Agosto, President

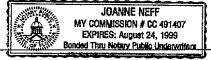
Delinda Agosto, Vice President

STATE OF FLORIDA County of Hillsborough

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 21 of Utow, 1998, by Anthony Agosto, President and Belinda Agosto, Vice President, of HOPE Christian Center, Tampa, Florida who is personally known to me or has produced to Dv. Lic.

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Signature of Notary Public



Name of Notary Public

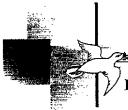
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# HOPE CHRISTIAN CENTER

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November 9, 1998

Alan Crum Document Specialist Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Ref. Number: W98000024648 Letter Number: 398A00053215

Dear Mr. Crum,

I, Anthony Agosto, hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent for HOPE Christian Center.

Rev. Anthory Agosto

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Rev. Anthony Agosto, Pastor

P.O. Box 274202 Tampa, Firodia 33688-4202