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Re: The Shepherd of the Streets Ministries, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed are an original and one copy of Articles of Incorporation of the captioned proposed not-for-profit corporation, both signed February 4, 1999. Please file the original Articles and return to me a certified copy of the Articles. A check in the amount of \$78.75 is enclosed to cover the cost of the filing, registered agent and certified copy fees.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

L.M. Ploucha

LMP/nlc Enclosures

cc: Mr. Eric W. Shoemaker

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

# THE SHEPHERD OF THE STREETS MINISTRIES, INC.

(a corporation not for profit)



# ARTICLE I

# CORPORATE NAME

The name of this corporation is THE SHEPHERD OF THE STREETS MINISTRIES, INC.

#### ARTICLE II

#### **PURPOSE**

1. The purpose of the corporation is to receive and maintain a fund or funds of real or personal property, or both, and, subject to the restrictions and limitations hereunder set forth, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal thereof exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, literary or educational purposes or to make contributions to organizations duly authorized to carry on charitable, religious, scientific, literary or educational activities within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code; to solicit and receive gifts, bequests, donations, contributions, conveyances, deeds of real estate, stocks, securities or commodities and devises of monies and properties and to use and apply the net income and principal exclusively and in furtherance of the undertakings of the corporation; to receive, own, hold, administer, distribute and dispose of properties of all kinds, whether real, personal or mixed, and whether acquired by gift, bequest, devise, purchase or otherwise; to borrow monies and to do and perform all lawful acts necessary, suitable and proper for the purposes hereinbefore enumerated. Provided, however, that unless specified by donors, grantors and contributors to the contrary, all sums of money, property.

securities or commodities and donations of every kind shall be considered as permanent funds and used and applied to the purposes and uses above enumerated.

- 2. No part of the earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, director or officer of the corporation, or any other person (except that the corporation may pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to or on behalf of the corporation and may make other payments and distributions in furtherance of one or more of its purposes), and no member, director or officer of the corporation, or any other person, shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation.
- 3. The corporation shall not engage in any act of self dealing as defined in section 4941 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 4. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holding as defined in section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 5. The corporation shall not make any investments which would jeopardize the carrying out of any of its exempt purposes within the meaning of section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 6. The corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- 7. The corporation, during any period it is a private foundation as defined in section 509 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, shall distribute for the purposes specified herein, for each taxable year, amounts sufficient to avoid liability for the tax imposed by section 4942(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

8. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The corporation shall not have objectives nor engage in activities which would characterize it as an "action organization" as defined in section 1.501(c)(3)-1(c)(3) or the treasury regulations, as it now exists or may hereafter be amended.

9. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE III

#### **MEMBERS**

The qualification of members and the manner of their admission shall be determined under and pursuant to the Bylaws of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE IV

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

This corporation shall have no less than three (3) Directors at any time. The names and post office addresses of the initial directors, who shall serve as such until the first election or appointment of directors under and pursuant to the Bylaws of this corporation, are:

Name

Address

VINCENT TIRADO

18601 S.W. 210<sup>th</sup> Street Miami, Florida 33187 ERIC W. SHOEMAKER

27420 S.W. 167th Court Homestead, Florida 33031

JACK FAUCETT

975B North Franklin Avenue Homestead, Florida 33034

# ARTICLE V

# MAILING ADDRESS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The corporation's initial principal office and mailing address is:

145 N.E. 10<sup>th</sup> Street Homestead, Florida 33030

# ARTICLE VI

# **BYLAWS**

The Bylaws of this corporation shall be adopted by its Directors, and shall thereafter be adopted, amended or repealed by its Directors under and pursuant thereto.

# ARTICLE VII

# INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE

The corporation's initial Registered Agent and Registered Office in the State of Florida shall

be:

Eric W. Shoemaker 27420 S.W. 167<sup>th</sup> Court Homestead, Florida 33031

# ARTICLE IX

# DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

# ARTICLE X

# COMMENCEMENT DATE

Corporate existence will commence on the date these Articles are filed with the Secretary of State.

# ARTICLE XI

# INCORPORATOR

The name and post office address of the Incorporator executing these Articles of Incorporation is:

Eric W. Shoemaker 27420 S.W. 167th Court Homestead, Florida 33031 THE UNDERSIGNED Incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, does make and file these Articles of Incorporation, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts stated are true.

THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT WAS ACKNOWLEDGED before me this day of FEB, 1999, by ERIC W. SHOEMAKER, to me personally known or produced identification \_\_\_\_\_. Type of Identification produced FLADL.

Name: JOYCE B. ELMORE, V.P.
Notary Public

OFFICIAL NOTARY SEAL
JOYCE B ELMORE
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA

The undersigned hereby accepts the foregoing designation as initial Registered Agent and agrees to comply with the provisions of Florida law applicable to said designation.

ERIC W. SHOEMAKER

LAHASSEE, FLORIDA