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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Office of the Secretary of State
Corporations Division
148 W. River Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02904-2615

NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

1. The name of the corporation is First Spiritualist Church of Rhode Island ☐

2. The period of its duration is (if perpetual, so state) Perpetual ☐

3. The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:
See #3 on the attached sheets.

4. Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:
See #4 on the attached sheets.

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5. The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 48 Pheasant Ave.
(Street Address, not P.O. Box)
Warwick, RI 02886, and the name of its initial registered agent at such
(City/Town) (Zip Code)
address is Susan Bergheimer
(Name of Agent)

6. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 4
(not less than three directors)
and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Susan Bergheimer</u>	<u>48 Pheasant Ave, Warwick, RI 02886</u>
<u>Nathan Horodysky</u>	<u>18 Sherwood Valley Lane Unit 176, Coventry, RI 02816</u>
<u>Ernest Robillard</u>	<u>48 Pheasant Ave, Warwick, RI 02886</u>
<u>Judith Mellor</u>	<u>32 North Union St, Lincoln, RI 02865</u>
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7. The name and address of each incorporator is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Susan Bergheimer</u>	<u>48 Pheasant Ave, Warwick, RI 02886</u>
<u>Nathan Horodysky</u>	<u>18 Sherwood Valley Lane Unit 176, Coventry, RI 02816</u>
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8. Date when corporate existence is to begin April 27, 2011
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

Under penalty of perjury, I/we declare and affirm that I/we have examined these Articles of Incorporation, including any accompanying attachments, and that all statements contained herein are true and correct.

Date: April 22, 2011

Susan Bergheimer
Nathan Horodysky
Judith Mellor
Ernest Robillard

Signature of each Incorporator

Attachments - Articles of Incorporation for First Spiritualist Church of Rhode Island

#3. The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, or scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to such organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, 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 furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these 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 §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#4. Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

A. The Corporation shall have the following powers:

- (1) To solicit, collect and receive money and other assets and to administer funds and contributions received by grant, gift, deed, bequest or devise, and otherwise to acquire money, securities, property, rights and services of every kind of description, and to hold, invest, expend, contribute, use, sell or otherwise dispose of any money, securities, property, rights or services so acquired for the purpose of above mentioned.
- (2) To borrow money, and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue bonds, debentures, promissory notes, and other corporate obligations for monies borrowed, or in payment for property acquired or for any of the purposes of the Corporation, and to secure payment of any such obligation by mortgage, pledge, deed, indenture agreement or other instrument of trust, or by other lien upon, assignment of or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property, rights or privileges of the Corporation.

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- (3) To invest and reinvest its funds in such mortgages, bonds, notes, debentures, shares of preferred and common stock, and any other securities of any kind whatsoever, and property real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, all as the Corporation's Board of Directors shall deem available and as may be permitted by law.
- (4) To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions, loans, investments, or other lawful forms of assisting other persons or organizations where such assistance will further the primary purpose of this corporation.
- (5) To exercise all other rights and powers conferred upon corporations formed under the general non-profit corporation law of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations provided, however, that the corporation shall not engage in any activities or exercise any powers including those specifically mentioned herein that are not in furtherance of the specific and primary charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes of the Corporation.
- (6) The Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (7) The Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (8) The Corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (9) The Corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (10) The Corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (11) Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Trustees of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for payments of all liabilities of the Corporation dispose of all assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purpose of the Corporation in such manner or to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or organization or organizations as said courts shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

A. Ralph Mollis

Secretary of State

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

I, A. RALPH MOLLIS, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island
and Providence Plantations, hereby certify that this document, duly
executed in accordance with the provisions of Title 7 of the General Laws
of Rhode Island, as amended, has been filed in this office on this day:

A. RALPH MOLLIS

Secretary of State

