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Non-Profit	Corporation
<b>Articles of</b>	Incorporation

(Chapter 7-6-34 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

#### ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is IMPACT CHURCH INC

## **ARTICLE II**

The period of its duration is X Perpetual

### **ARTICLE III**

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

TO PERFORM RELIGIOUS SERVICES SUCH AS WORSHIP, TEACH AND PREACH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST. THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CORPORATION IS ORGANIZED IS EXCLUSIVELY RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, SCIENTIFIC, LITERARY AND EDUCATIONAL WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 501 (C) (3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 OR THE CORRESPONDING PROVISION OF ANY FUTURE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE LAW.

## **ARTICLE IV**

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:

THE CORPORATION SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING POWERS IN FURTHERANCE OF ITS CORPORATE PURPOSES: A. THE CORPORATION SHALL HAVE PERPETUAL SUCCESSION IN ITS CORPORATE NAME. B. THE CORPORATION MAY SUE AND BE SUED C. THE CORPORATION MAY HAVE A CORPORATE SEAL WHICH IT MAY ALTER AT PLEASURE D. THE

CORPORATION MAY ELECT OR APPOINT DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND OTHER AGENTS, FIX THEIR COMPENSATIONS AND DEFINE THEIR DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS. E. THE CORPORATION MAY PURCHASE, RECEIVE OR TAKE BY GRANT, GIFT, DEVISE, BEQUEST OR OTHERWISE, LEASE, OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE, OWN, HOLD, IMPROVE, EMPLOY, USE AND OTHERWISE DEAL IN AND WITH, REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY, OR ANY OTHER INTEREST THEREIN, WHEREVER SITUATED, IN AN UNLIMITED AMOUNT. F. THE CORPORATION MAY SOLICIT AND RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ANY AND ALL SOURCES AND MAY RECEIVE AND HOLD, IN TRUST OR OTHERWISE, FUNDS RECEIVED BY

GIFT OR BEQUEST. G. THE CORPORATION MAY SELL, CONVEY, LEASE, EXCHANGE, TRANSFER OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF, OR MORTGAGE, PLEDGE, ENCUMBER OR CREATE SECURITY INTEREST IN, ALL OR ANY OF ITS PROPERTY, OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, WHEREVER SITUATED. H. THE CORPORATION MAY PURCHASE, TAKE, RECEIVE, SUBSCRIBE FOR, OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE, OWN, HOLD, VOTE, EMPLOY, SELL, LEND LEASE, EXCHANGE, TRANSFER, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF, MORTGAGE, PLEDGE, USE AND OTHERWISE DEAL IN AND WITH BOND AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS, SHARES, OR <u>OTHER</u> SECURITIES OR INTERESTS ISSUED BY OTHERS, WHETHER ENGAGED IN SIMILAR OR <u>DIFFERENT BUSINESS, GOVERNMENTAL, OR OTHER ACTIVITIES. I. THE CORPORATION</u> MAY TAKE CONTRACTS, GIVE GUARANTEES IN FURTHERANCE OF ITS CORPORATE PURPOSES AND INCUR LIABILITIES, BORROW MONEY AT SUCH RATES OF INTEREST AS THE CORPORATION MAY DETERMINE, ISSUE ITS NOTES, BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS, AND SECURE ANY OF ITS OBLIGATIONS BY MORTGAGE, PLEDGE OR ENCUMBRANCE OF, OR SECURITY INTERESTS IN, ALL OR ANY OF ITS PROPERTY OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN, WHEREVER SITUATED. J. THE CORPORATION MAY DO BUSINESS, CARRY ON ITS OPERATIONS, AND HAVE OFFICES IN ANY JURISDICTION WITHIN OR WITHOUT THE UNITED STATES, ALTHOUGH THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE **OPERATED** FOR THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF CARRYING ON FOR PROFIT A TRADE OR BUSINESS TO ITS TAX EXEMPT PURPOSE. K. THE CORPORATION MAY PAY PENSIONS, ESTABLISH AND CARRY OUT PENSIONS, SAVINGS, THRIFT AND OTHER REQUIREMENT AND BENEFIT PLANS, TRUSTS AND PROVISIONS FOR ANY OR ALL OF ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES. L. THE CORPORATION MAY MAKE DONATIONS IN SUCH AMOUNTS AS THE MEMBERS OR DIRECTORS SHALL DETERMINE, IRRESPECTIVE OR CORPORATE BENEFIT, FOR THE PUBLIC WELFARE OR COMMUNITY FUND, HOSPITAL, CHARITABLE, RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, CIVIC, OR SIMILAR PURPOSES, AND IN TIME OF WAR OR OTHER NATIONAL EMERGENCY IN AID THEREOF; PROVIDED THAT, AS LONG AS THE CORPORATION IS ENTITLED TO EXEMPTION FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX UNDER **SECTION** 501 (C) (3) OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, IT SHALL MAKE NO CONTRIBUTION FOR OTHER THAN RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, SCIENTIFIC, TESTING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, LITERARY OR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES OR FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO <u>CHILDREN OR ANIMALS. M. THE CORPORATION MAY BE A PARTNER IN ANY BUSINESS</u> ENTERPRISE, WHICH IT WOULD HAVE POWER, TO CONDUCT BY IT. N. THE DIRECTORS MAY MAKE, AMEND OR REPEAL THE BY-LAWS IN WHOLE OR IN PART, EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO ANY PROVISION THEREOF, WHICH BY LAW OR THE BY-LAWS REQUIRES ACTIONS BY THE MEMBERS. O. MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERS MAY BE HELD ANYWHERE IN THE UNITED STATES. P. THE CORPORATION SHALL, TO THE EXTENT LEGALLY PERMISSIBLE AND ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT THE STATUS OF THE CORPORATION AS <u>AN</u> ORGANIZATION EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 501 (C) (3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE IS NOT AFFECTED THEREBY, INDEMNIFY EACH OF ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS,

EMPLOYEES AND OTHER AGENTS (INCLUDING PERSONS WHO SERVE AT ITS REQUEST AS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER AGENTS OF ANOTHER ORGANIZATION IN

WHICH IT HAS AN INTEREST) AGAINST ALL LIABILITIES AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING AMOUNTS PAID IN SATISFACTION OF JUDGMENTS, IN COMPROMISE OR AS FINES AND PENALTIES, AND COUNSEL FEES, REASONABLY INCURRED BY HIM IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEFENSE OR DISPOSITION OF ANY ACTION, SUIT OR OTHER PROCEEDING, WHETHER

CIVIL OR CRIMINAL, IN WHICH HE MAY BE INVOLVED OR WITH WHICH HE MAY BE THREATENED, WHILE IN OFFICE OR THEREAFTER, BY REASON OF HIS BEING OR HAVING BEEN SUCH A DIRECTOR, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR AGENT, EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER AS TO WHICH HE SHALL HAVE BEEN ADJUDICATED IN ANY PROCEEDING NOT

TO HAVE ACTED IN GOOD FAITH IN THE REASONABLE BELIEF THAT HIS ACTION WAS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CORPORATION; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT AS TO ANY MATTER DISPOSED OF BY A COMPROMISE PAYMENT BY SUCH DIRECTOR, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR AGENT, PURSUANT TO A CONSENT DECREE OR OTHERWISE, NO INDEMNIFICATION EITHER FOR SAID PAYMENT OR FOR ANY OTHER EXPENSES SHALL BE PROVIDED UNLESS SUCH COMPROMISE SHALL BE APPROVED AS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CORPORATION, AFTER NOTICE THAT IT INVOLVES SUCH INDEMNIFICATION: (A) BY A DISINTERESTED MAJORITY OF THE DIRECTORS THEN IN OFFICE; OR (B) BY A MAJORITY OF THE DISINTERESTED DIRECTORS TEN IN OFFICE, PROVIDED THAT THERE HAS BEEN OBTAINED AN OPINION IN WRITING OF INDEPENDENT LEGAL COUNCIL TO THE

EFFECT THAT SUCH DIRECTOR, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR AGENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEFENSE OR DISPOSITION OF ANY SUCH ACTION, SUIT OR OTHER PROCEEDING, MAY BE PAID FROM TIME TO TIME BY CORPORATION IN ADVANCE OF THE FINAL DISPOSITION THEREOF UPON RECEIPT OF AN UNDERTAKING BY SUCH INDIVIDUAL TO REPAY THE AMOUNTS SO PAID TO THE CORPORATION IF HE SHALL BE ADJUDICATED TO BE NOT ENTITLED TO INDEMNIFICATION UNDER MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS. THE RIGHT OF INDEMNIFICATION HEREBY PROVIDED SHALL NOT BE EXCLUSIVE OF OR AFFECT ANY OTHER RIGHT TO WHICH ANY DIRECTOR, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR AGENT MAY BE ENTITLED. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL AFFECT ANY RIGHTS TO INDEMNIFICATION TO WHICH CORPORATE PERSONNEL MAY BE ENTITLED BY CONTRACT OR

OTHERWISE UNDER LAW. AS USED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, THE TERMS, "OFFICERS", "EMPLOYEES" AND "AGENTS" INCLUDE THEIR RESPECTIVE HEIRS, EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS, AND AN "INTERESTED" DIRECTOR IS ONE AGAINST WHOM IN SUCH CAPACITY THE PROCEEDING IN QUESTION OR ANOTHER PROCEEDING ON THE SAME OR SIMILAR GROUNDS IS THEN PENDING. Q. NO PERSON SHALL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM HOLDING ANY OFFICE BY REASON OF ANY INTEREST, IN THE ABSENCE OF FRAUD, ANY DIRECTOR, OFFICER, OR MEMBER OF THIS CORPORATION INDIVIDUALLY, OR ANY INDIVIDUAL HAVING INTEREST IN ANY CONCERN IN WHICH SUCH DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, MEMBERS, OR INDIVIDUALS ANY INTEREST, MAY BE PARTY TO, OR MAY BE PECULIARLY OR OTHERWISE INTERESTED IN, ANY CONTRACT, TRANSACTION, OR OTHER

ACT OF THIS CORPORATION, AND

(1) SUCH CONTRACT, TRANSACTION, OR ACT SHALL NOT BE IN ANY WAY INVALIDATED OR OTHERWISE AFFECT BY THAT FACT; (2) NO SUCH DIRECTOR, OFFICER, MEMBER, OR

INDIVIDUAL SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE ACCOUNT TO THIS CORPORATION FOR ANY PROFIT OR BENEFIT REALIZED THROUGH ANY SUCH CONTRACT, TRANSACTION, OR ACT;

AND (3) ANY SUCH DIRECTOR OF THE CORPORATION MAY BE COUNTED IN DETERMINING

THE EXISTENCE OF A QUORUM AT ANY MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OR ANY COMMITTEE

THEREOF WHICH SHALL AUTHORIZE ANY SUCH CONTRACT, TRANSACTION, OR ACT, AND

MAY VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE SAME; THE TERM "INTEREST" INCLUDING PERSONAL INTEREST AND INTEREST AS A DIRECTOR, OFFICER, STOCKHOLDER, TRUSTEE, MEMBER OR BENEFICIARY OF ANY CONCERN; THE TERM "CONCERN" MEANING CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION, TRUST, PARTNERSHIP, FIRM, PERSON, OR OTHER ENTITY OTHER THAN THIS CORPORATION. R. NO PART OF THE ASSETS OF THE CORPORATION AND NO PERT OF ANY NET EARNINGS OF THE CORPORATION SHALL BE DIVIDED AMONG OR INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF ANY OFFICER OR DIRECTOR OF THE CORPORATION OR ANY PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL OR BE APPROPRIATED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE PURPOSES OF THE CORPORATION AS HEREIN SET FORTH; AND NO SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CORPORATION SHALL BE CARRYING ON OF PROPAGANDA, OR OTHERWISE ATTEMPTING, TO INFLUENCE LEGISLATION EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT THE CORPORATION MAKES EXPENDITURES FOR PURPOSE OF INFLUENCING LEGISLATION

IN CONFORMITY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 501(H) OF THE INTERNATIONAL

REVENUE CODE; AND THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE IN, OR INTERVENE IN (INCLUDING THE PUBLISHING OR DISTRIBUTING OF STATEMENTS), ANY POLITICAL CAMPAIGN ON BEHALF OF ANY CANDIDATE FOR THE PUBLIC OFFICE. IT IS INTENDED THAT THE CORPORATION SHALL BE ENTITLED TO EXEMPTION FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX

UNDER SECTION 501(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND SHALL NOT BE PRIVATE FOUNDATION UNDER SECTION 509(A) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE S.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THESE ARTICLES, THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL NOT CARRY ON ANY ACTIVITIES NOT PERMITTED TO BE 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 PROVISION OF ANY FUTURE

UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE LAW. T. UPON THE LIQUIDATION OR DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AFTER PAYING OR MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE PAYMENT OF ALL THE LIABILITIES OF THE CORPORATION, DISPOSE OF ALL THE ASSETS OF THE CORPORATION EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE CORPORATION IN SUCH MANNER, OR TO SUCH ORGANIZATION OR ORGANIZATIONS

ORGANIZED AND OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR 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 CORRESPONDING PROVISION OF ANY FUTURE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE LAW), AS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHALL DETERMINE. ANY

SUCH ASSETS NOT SO DISPOSED OF SHALL BE DISPOSED OF BY THE COURT OF COMMON PLEASE OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION IS THEN 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 V**

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

No. and Street: 278 WARREN AVE

EAST PROVIDENCE City or Town: State: RI Zip: <u>02914</u>

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is RAWLLINS BARBOSA DA COSTA

### **ARTICLE VI**

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 03 and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
DIRECTOR	LEONARDO SOUZA GODINHO	1 NICHOLAS RD MILFORD, MA 01757 USA
DIRECTOR	BEATRIZ GONCALVES GODINHO	1 NICHOLAS RD MILFORD, MA 01757 USA
DIRECTOR	MARCOS PAULO V OLIVEIRA	1 E PUBLIC ST ASSONET, MA 02702 USA

# **ARTICLE VII**

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	RAWLLINS BARBOSA DA COSTA	159 NORWOOD AVE CRANSTON, RI 02905 USA
INCORPORATOR	FABRICIA GOMES DA COSTA	159 NORWOOD AVE CRANSTON, RI 02905 USA

## **ARTICLE VIII**

Date when corporate existence is to begin 09/22/2023

(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

**Signed this 22 Day of September, 2023 at 12:18:42 PM by the incorporator(s).** This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the corporation, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-6.

**Enter signature(s) below.** 

RAWLLINS BARBOSA DA COSTA - INCORPORATOR FABRICIA GOMES DA COSTA - INCORPORATOR

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