

State of Missouri



Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
MISSOURI NONPROFIT

WHEREAS, Articles of Incorporation of

Lutheran Deaf Mission Society
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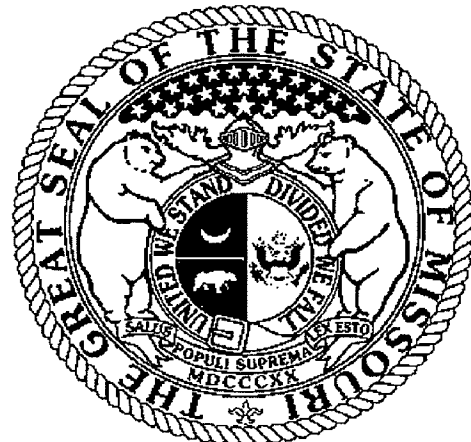
have been received and filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, which Articles, in all respects, comply with the requirements of Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBIN CARNAHAN, Secretary of the State of Missouri do by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, do hereby certify and declare this entity a body corporate, duly organized this date and that it is entitled to all rights and privileges granted corporations organized under the Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri.
Done at the City of Jefferson, this
15th day of October, 2008.

Robin Carnahan

Secretary of State





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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
of
Lutheran Deaf Mission Society

The undersigned individual, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Act, adopts these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is:

Lutheran Deaf Mission Society

ARTICLE II

This corporation is a public benefit corporation.

ARTICLE III

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office in Missouri is 2345 Grand Boulevard, Suite 2400, Kansas City, Missouri 64108. The name of the corporation's initial registered agent at such address is Registered Agent, Ltd.

ARTICLE IV

The name and address of the incorporator of the corporation is Dale A. Werts, 2345 Grand Boulevard, Suite 2800, Kansas City, Missouri 64108.

ARTICLE V

A. The corporation will have members and the conditions of membership will be stated in the bylaws.

B. The first Board of Directors of the corporation will consist of at least three (3) individuals, who will be designated as directors of the corporation by the incorporator.

C. The number of directors to constitute all subsequent boards of directors will be specified in or fixed in accordance with the corporation's Bylaws, provided that in no event will such number be less than three.

ARTICLE VI

A. No part of the corporation's net earnings will inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, officers or other private persons; provided, the

corporation will be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and grants in furtherance of the purposes set forth in ARTICLE VII.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation will not carry on any activities that are not permitted to be carried on by an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code").

ARTICLE VII

A. The corporation is organized and will be operated for purposes that are described in section 501(c)(3) of the Code. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the purposes of the corporation will be to help deaf persons know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and serve Him in their daily lives.

B. Subject to the provisions of ARTICLE VI and the preceding provisions of this ARTICLE VII, the corporation will have the purpose of carrying on any lawful activity and will also have all of the powers accorded to it by the Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Act (or any subsequent state corporation law to which it may be subject).

ARTICLE VIII

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the corporation's assets that remain after payment of the corporation's obligations has been made or provided for, and after return, transfer or conveyance of assets held upon condition requiring such return, transfer or conveyance, will be transferred to any organization whose purposes are substantially similar to those for which the corporation is organized and which at the time of such distribution is described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and exempt from tax under Section 501(a) of the Code.

This document has been signed on the 10th day of October, 2008.

In affirmation of the facts stated above,



Dale A. Werts, Incorporator