



## STATE of WASHINGTON



# SECRETARY of STATE

I, SAM REED, Secretary of State of the State of Washington and custodian of its seal,

hereby issue this

## CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

to

THE CHURCH OF BU VU, PORT TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON

A Washington Non-Profit Corporation. Articles of Incorporation were filed for record in this office on the date indicated below

UBI Number: 602 187 436 Date: March 07, 2002



Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Washington at Olympia, the State Capital

Sam Reed, Secretary of State

602-187-436

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The Church of BuVu Port Townsend, Washington



Validation

I, the undersigned person, acting as the incorporator of a corporation under the provisions of the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act [Revised Code of Washington 24.03], adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

#### ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be The Church of BuVu, Port Townsend, Washington.

#### **ARTICLE II**

The period of duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

#### **ARTICLE III**

The purposes for which this corporation is organized are:

To establish and maintain The BuVu Church and to provide a place for the administration of all rites and ceremonies of The BuVu Church according to their usages and forms; and

To promote the spirit and practice of the religion of Buddhism, including The Three Precepts: Choose Not to Do Evil, Do Good, and Save all Sentient Beings; and

To promote the spirit and practice of the religion of Voudoun, including turning curses into blessings, and recognizing and honoring the godliness of the body, soul, and spirit in all things; and

To promote freedom from addiction and idolatry by transformation through soulfulness; and

In all things to promote a religion that honors body, soul, and spirit, and all that is godly in heaven and earth: a religion of community ministry, compassion, kindness, service, creativity, soulful living, soulful relationship and communion with all things, and to further other religious and charitable work.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

No part of the earnings of the corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any member or private individual, and no substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or participating in or intervening in [including the publication or distribution of statements] any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

#### ARTICLE V

In the event of the dissolution of the corporation or the winding up of its affairs, the corporation's property, assets and funds shall not be conveyed or distributed to any individual or to any organization created or operated for profit, but shall be conveyed or distributed only as follows:

The property, assets, and funds of the corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to a church, or a convention or association of churches, within the meaning of section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### ARTICLE VI

The qualifications for membership in the corporation shall be as prescribed in the Bylaws. subject to the provisions herein set forth. The interest in the corporation of each member shall be equal to that of any other member. The corporation shall have no capital stock, and shares therein shall not be issued; nor shall any member be entitled to receive any dividend from the corporation. The members of the corporation shall not be liable for debts or obligations of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII

The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors which shall consist of at least one but not more than thirteen persons qualified and appointed to serve as prescribed in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The power to alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws or adopt new Bylaws of this corporation is hereby vested in the Board of Directors.

### ARTICLE IX

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of one person, and the name and address of the person who is to serve as the initial director, and his term is as follows:

Name

Address

Niels Holm

1946 Spruce Street Port Townsend, Washington 98368

## ARTICLE X

The address of the initial registered office of the corporation shall be 1946 Spruce Street, Port Townsend, Washington 98368, which is also the address of the initial registered agent of the corporation. The name of the corporation's initial registered agent at such address is Niels Holm.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is as follows:

Name

Address

Niels Holm

1946 Spruce Street Port Townsend, Washington 98368

[Signature of]

Niels Holm Incorporator 067-1409, 2 2002

### CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

I, NIELS HOLM, hereby consent to serve as Registered agent in the state of Washington for the corporation herein named. I understand that as agent for the corporation, it will be my responsibility to accept Service of Process in the name of the corporation; to forward all mail to the corporation; and to immediately notify the Office of the Secretary of State in the event of my resignation or of any change in the Registered Office address of the corporation for which I am agent.

Date of Signing

[Signature of]
Niels Holm

Registered Agent for the Corporation