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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

STATE OF ALABAMA )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That,

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WHEREAS, the members of the Riverchase United Methodist Church, located in Shelby County, Alabama, and the Charge Conference of said Church at a joint meeting of said Church and Charge Conference held on December 29, 1985, have evidenced a desire to become incorporated under the laws of the State of Alabama as a non-profit religious corporation, and have unanimously voted to incorporate said church under the name RIVERCHASE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Riverchase United Methodist Church as follows:

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of the Riverchase United Methodist Church as a non-profit religious corporation, not of a business character, be and the same is hereby approved.

This corporation shall support the doctrine, and said church and all its property, both real and personal, shall be subject to the laws, usages and ministerial appointments, of the United Methodist Church as are now or shall be from time to time established, made and declared by the lawful authority of said church.

SECTION 2. That the name of the corporation shall be RIVERCHASE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.

The Board of Directors of said corporation shall be the Board of Trustees of the Church and the Trustees shall be elected and organized as prescribed in the Discipline of The United Methodist Church. The Board of Trustees shall be comprised of not fewer than three nor more than nine members, one of whom shall be designated as Chairman and another as Secretary.

The said Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall execute all legal instruments as may be authorized by the said church and all instruments so executed and bearing the corporate name of the church shall be presumed to be executed by the lawful authority of the church and subject to be impeached only for actual fraud.

SECTION 3. This corporation shall have the power to acquire and hold title in fee simple, in trust, or otherwise, to both real and personal property and to improve, encumber, sell, convey and dispose of all such property in conformity with the Discipline of The United Methodist Church.

SECTION 4. Subject to the provision of the Discipline of The United

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Methodist Church, this corporation shall have the power to erect and maintain buildings for the worship on God, for training in Christian faith and conduct and for Christian social fellowship and to acquire or build and maintain a residence or residences for use and occupancy of its minister or ministers.

SECTION 5. The bylaws of this corporation shall include the Discipline of The United Methodist Church as from time to time enacted, authorized and declared by the General Conference; and no other bylaws shall be adopted inconsistent with the provisions of the Discipline.

SECTION 6. The members of this corporation shall be the members of the Charge Conference.

SECTION 7. If for any reason this corporation shall cease to exist as a legal entity and its charter shall expire or be terminated, the title to all its property, both real and personal, shall be vested in the Trustees of the North Alabama Conference of The United Methodist Church, if said Annual Conference is unincorporated, in the same manner as it holds title to any other real estate; or in the North Alabama Conference of The United Methodist Church in its corporate name if said Annual Conference is incorporated; and all such property shall be held in trust for the benefit of the Riverchase United Methodist Church.

SECTION 8. That the members of the Board of Trustees of this corporation, elected in accordance with the provisions of SECTION 2 hereof, shall, within 30 days of their election, file in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, a certificate stating the corporate name selected, the names of the members of the Board of Trustees, and the length of time for which said Board of Trustees were elected.

PASSED by the Charge Conference of Riverchase United Methodist Church, held on the 29th day of December, 1985.

*Charles F. Beft*  
District Superintendent

*Carol D. Adams*  
Secretary

We the undersigned hereby certify that the foregoing have been duly elected as members of the Board of Trustees of Riverchase United Methodist Church, to serve for the terms as set out hereinbelow, or until our

successors are duly elected and qualified; and further, that the corporate name selected by the church is RIVERCHASE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.

<u>TRUSTEES</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
E. Houston Brown	12/31/88
Michael F. Miller	12/31/88
Cheryl L. Season	12/31/87
Gilbert C. Aycock	12/31/87
John W. Everage	12/31/86
Margaret A. Fulton	12/31/86
Alec Jones	12/31/85

WITNESS our hands and seals, this the 29th day of December, 1985.

  
E. Houston Brown

  
Michael F. Miller

  
Cheryl L. Season

  
Gilbert C. Aycock

  
John W. Everage

  
Margaret A. Fulton

  
Alec Jones

APPROVED:

  
District Superintendent

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I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State at Large, hereby certify that E. Houston Brown, Michael F. Miller, Cheryl L. Season, Gilbert C. Aycock, John W. Everage, Margaret A. Fulton and Alec Jones, whose names as Trustees of Riverchase United Methodist Church, and Charles F. Betts whose name as District Superintendent of the North Alabama District of The United Methodist Church as signed to the foregoing instrument, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of this instrument they, in their capacity as Trustees and District Superintendent respectively, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date, and with full authority thereto.

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of December 1985.

  
Notary Public

SHARON E. JONES, Notary Public  
State at Large, Alabama  
My Commission Expires January 12, 1986

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### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

RIVERCHASE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The undersigned, as Judge of Probate of SHELBY County, State of Alabama, hereby certifies that duplicate originals of Articles of INCORPORATION of RIVERCHASE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of Section 10-4-20 of the Alabama Business Corporation Act, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY the undersigned, as such Judge of Probate, and by virtue of the authority vested in him by law, hereby issues this Certificate of INCORPORATION of RIVERCHASE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, and attaches hereto a duplicate original of the Articles of INCORPORATION.

GIVEN Under My Hand and Official Seal on this the 10th day of JANUARY, 19 86.

STATE OF ALA. SHELBY CO.  
I CERTIFY THIS  
INSTRUMENT WAS FILED

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*Thomas A. Brandon, Jr.*  
JUDGE OF PROBATE

*Thomas A. Brandon, Jr.*  
Judge of Probate

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