

STATE OF ALABAMA)
SHELBY COUNTY)

Prepared By: Herbert W. Stone, Attorney
165 Valley Avenue West
Birmingham, Alabama 35209

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that by resolution heretofore adopted by members of the Metro Baptist Church, Robert L. Etheridge, Larry Ogle and Jay Mattox, as Trustees were instructed to file this certificate incorporating said church under Title 10-4-20 of the Code of Alabama and we, the undersigned do hereby certify as follows:

1. That the name of said corporation shall be the Metro Baptist Church, Inc.
2. That the trustees of said corporation are as follows:

Robert L. Etheridge
1051 8th Avenue S.W.
Alabaster, Alabama 35007

Larry Ogle
1420 Cross Path
Alabaster, Alabama 35007

Jay Mattox
1051 8th Avenue S.W.
Alabaster, Alabama 35007

That all of said trustees were elected for a term of one year or until their successors are elected and qualified.

3. The general purpose of said corporation shall be to operate and maintain a Baptist Church.

4. The said corporation desires to adopt and does hereby claim as a part of its Charter Sections 4-21, 4-22, 4-23, 4-24, 4-25 and 4-26 of Title 10, Code of Alabama, relating to the independence of said church corporation to control mortgage or convey property by the trustees, and claims authority in its trustees or other authorized agents, by mortgage, or deed of trust, to convey all or any part of the property thereof, real or personal or both, to secure the payment of any debt contracted by said trustees or other authorized agents, for and on account of said corporation.

5. That attached hereto marked Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof as if herein set forth in detail is a certified copy of the resolution adopted by the members of the Metro Baptist Church authorizing and empowering said trustees to file this certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said trustees above named, have hereunto set their hands this the 5th day of April, a.d., 1982.

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 5th day
of April, a.d., 1982.

Patricia M. Gearock
Notary Public

My Commission Expires March 30, 1985

Robert L. Etheridge
Robert L. Etheridge

Larry Ogle
Larry Ogle

Jay Mattox
Jay Mattox

As Trustees of Metro Baptist Church,
Inc., a corporation

EXHIBIT "A"

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCORPORATION
OF METRO BAPTIST CHURCH

I, Laurie Mattox, Secretary of a meeting of Metro Baptist Church held in the church building at 220 Main Street, Alabaster, Alabama on March 17, 1982, do hereby certify that at said meeting a majority of the adult members of the congregation of said church were present and at said meeting the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Be it resolved by the members of the congregation of Metro Baptist Church, that Robert L. Etheridge, Larry Ogle and Jay Mattox, as trustees of the Metro Baptist Church are hereby authorized and empowered to arrange for the preparation of the necessary papers to incorporate said church under the name of Metro Baptist Church, Inc. and within thirty days from the date of this meeting to file said certificate of incorporation, stating the name selected, the names of the Trustees and the length of time for which they were appointed, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, the county wherein the corporation is to exercise its functions, all as provided for in Title 10-4-20, Code of Alabama; and,

Be it further resolved that it is the intention of the members of the congregation of said church to incorporate said church under the laws of the State of Alabama and said trustees above named are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all necessary steps so that said church can be properly incorporated and henceforth be a corporation under the laws of the State of Alabama with power to acquire real estate and convey and mortgage the same."

I do further certify that ten days notice of said meeting was given by announcement from the church pulpit by the church pastor, Robert L. Etheridge; and, I further certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the resolution passed by the members of the congregation of said church at said time and upon said date.

Given under my hand this the 5th day of April, a/d., 1982.

Laurie Mattox
Laurie Mattox, Secretary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 5th day of April, a.d., 1982.

Mary M. Dear
Notary Public

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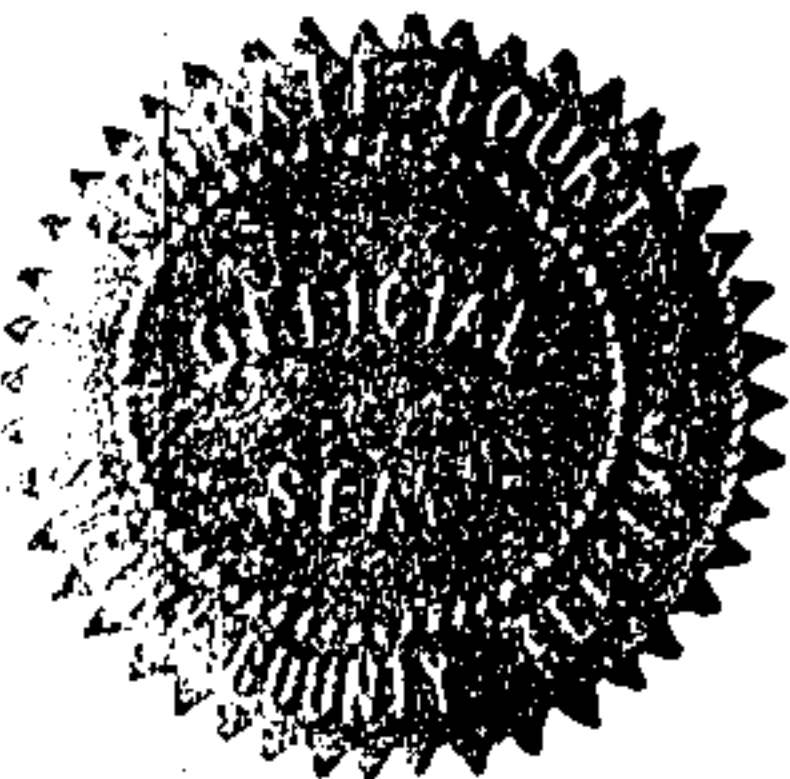
METRO BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.

The undersigned, as Judge of Probate of SHELBY County, State of Alabama, hereby certifies that duplicate originals of Articles of INCORPORATION of METRO BAPTIST CHURCH, INC., duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of Section 10-2A-91 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 METRO BAPTIST CHURCH, INC., and attaches hereto a duplicate original of the Articles of INCORPORATION

GIVEN Under My Hand and Official Seal on this the 8th day of

APRIL, 19 82.



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

1982 APR -8 AM 10:30

Thomas A. Snowden, Jr.
JUDGE OF PROBATE

Thomas A. Snowden, Jr.
Judge of Probate

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Jud 1.00
11.00