

**Restated Certificate of Formation for First Unitarian Universalist Church of Houston**

Article I Name

The name of the corporation is First Unitarian Universalist Church of Houston.

Article II Duration

The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual.

Article III Purposes

The corporation is a church with one class of membership: Members with voting rights. The members have authorized its Board of Directors to manage the corporation except in circumstances which require a vote of the membership which are:

1. Calling of special meetings
2. Election of Nominating Committee members
3. Election of Board of Directors
4. Election of Search Committee members
5. Election, Termination, or Removal of the Senior Minister
6. Any action concerning the use of endowment funds
7. Amending the Articles of Incorporation
8. Defining a quorum of members

Such circumstances are further defined in the Bylaws.

The purpose of this organization shall be the support of public worship and specifically to maintain services of worship in the community of Houston, and to promote the development of high ideals of a reasonable benevolent and helpful religion.

1. More specifically, the stated purposes for which the corporation is organized are:
  - a. To establish a church that seeks the truth wherever it is found.
  - b. To create an institution of religious fellowship open to all people.
  - c. To encourage freedom of expression of feelings as well as ideas.
  - d. To respect the needs of each individual and promote the common good of our community, our nation, and our earth.
  - e. To provide people of all ages a place well suited for their religious experience and enlightenment.
  - f. To provide opportunities for all peoples to demonstrate their beliefs in all kinds of fellowship and ministries consistent with our Unitarian Universalist values and principles.

#### Article IV Nonprofit Corporation

This organization is not organized, nor shall it be operated for pecuniary gain or profit, and it does not contemplate the distribution of gains, profits, or dividends to the members thereof. The corporation is organized solely for nonprofit purposes.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered in furtherance of its purposes.

The property, assets, profit, and net income of this corporation are irrevocably dedicated exclusively to the practices of the Unitarian Universalist religion as it is presently known and for the purposes expressed in these Articles of Incorporation.

Upon the dissolution or winding up of this Corporation, its assets remaining after payment of, or provision of payment of, all debts and liabilities shall be distributed to the Unitarian Universalist Association if its status as nonprofit, tax exempt

organization is maintained, or if not, to another corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for similar purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code. This provision shall apply to all property of the Church however received and acquired, unless intent or conditions attached to its receipt expressly provide otherwise.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to take all necessary action to carry out the purposes of each of the above described provisions.

#### Article V Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the registered office of the corporation is 5200 Fannin St. Houston, Texas 77004.

The registered agent at the registered office of the Corporation is Tawanna Grice.

#### Article VI Limitations on Activities

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The corporation shall not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. This limitation on activities include the publication or distribution of statements, or other materials.

#### Article VII Board of Directors

President, Ruth Hoffman-Lach 1904 Banks St. Houston, TX 77098 USA

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