

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
Empty Bowl Zendo, Inc.
A NONPROFIT CORPORATION**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Nonprofit Corporation Act of this state, the undersigned, acting as incorporators for the purpose of creating a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of New Jersey, do hereby adopt the following articles of incorporation.

Article 1.

The name of the corporation is Empty Bowl Zendo, Inc.

Article 2.

The corporation is a religious corporation.

Article 3.

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

- a. To establish a Zen community open to people of all traditions. We are a community that seeks to awaken to the gift of life through the regular practice of retreats, teaching and regular zazen. We welcome all who wish to join us in a spirit of self discovery and compassion through mindful practice.
- b. The purposes for which Empty Bowl Zendo, Inc. is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, and/or educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.
- c. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities which are impermissible for an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

d. No 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 any candidate for public office.

Article 4.

The directors of the corporation shall be elected or appointed in the manner and for the terms provided in the Bylaws.

Article 5.

Upon dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government , for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the Principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Article 6.

The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

1. Ray Cicetti, 606 Rockaway Ter, Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046
2. Joe Egan, 13 Jefferson Ave., New Brunswick, NJ 08901
3. Tim Wever, 70 Spring Brook Rd., Morristown, NJ 07960
4. Peter Savastano, 40 Conger St. #703A, Bloomfield, NJ 07003
5. Samuel Shaw, 16 Juniper Drive, Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927
6. Rosemary O'Connell, 322 E. 94th St., New York, NY 100128

Article 7.

The name and address of the incorporators are as follows:

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This _____ day of _____, 2006

Incorporators