

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION

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GHASSAN MANSOUR, ABBAS HASHEMI, AND  
HAMID FARAJI, collectively as the Trustees of the  
Islamic Education Center of Tampa, Inc., AND  
ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA,  
INC., a non profit corporation,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

AKRAM JAWAD, SALAH HAKAKI, PERVIZ  
KHOSHNOODI, AND JABBAR AL-MASHADANI

Defendant(s).

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CASE NO. 08 03497  
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COMPLAINT

Plaintiffs, GHASSAN MANSOUR, ABBAS HASHEMI, AND HAMID FARAJI ("Plaintiffs"), collectively as Trustees of the Islamic Education Center of Tampa, Inc., AND ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA, INC. ("IEC") sue Defendants, AKRAM JAWAD, SALAH HAKAKI, PERVIZ KHOSHNOODI, AND JABBAR AL-MASHADANI ("Defendants"), and allege:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. As to each cause of action set forth herein, this is a cause of action in which: (a) the amount in controversy is in excess of \$15,000.00, exclusive of costs, interest and attorney's fees, or (b) the Plaintiffs are requesting equitable relief in reference to the subject matter of this Complaint. This Court therefore has jurisdiction pursuant to Florida Statute §26.012.

2. As to each cause of action set forth herein, this is a cause of action that arose in Hillsborough County, Florida, and where one or more of the Defendants are located. Venue is therefore proper in Hillsborough County, Florida pursuant to Florida Statute §47.011.

3. Pursuant to Administrative Order A-2007-004, this matter is subject to the jurisdiction of the Complex Business Litigation Division since it is an action arising from the internal affairs or governance, dissolution or liquidation rights, obligations between or among owners (shareholders, partners, members), or liability or indemnity of managers (officers, directors, managers, trustees, or members or partners functioning as managers) of corporations, partnerships, limited partnerships, limited liability companies or partnerships.

4. ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA, INC. is a corporation with its principal place of business in Hillsborough County, Florida.

5. AKRAM JAWAD is an individual, *sui juris*, who resides in Hillsborough County, Florida.

6. SALAH HARAHI is an individual, *sui juris*, who resides in Hillsborough County, Florida.

7. PERVIZ KHOSHNOODI is an individual, *sui juris*, who resides in Hillsborough County, Florida.

8. JABBAR AL-MASHADANI is an individual, *sui juris*, who resides in Hillsborough County, Florida.

STATEMENT OF THE FACTS

9. The IEC was founded in 1993 as a non-profit religious organization. A Copy of the Articles of Incorporation are attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"** and are incorporated herein by reference.

10. The Plaintiffs were amongst the original founding members of the IEC. The Plaintiffs assisted and contributed greatly to the establishment of the IEC as a preminent religious organization within their community.

11. The Plaintiffs were elected by a majority of the IEC members as Trustees with a permanent duration pursuant to the terms of the Constitution. The Constitution of the IEC, adopted on September 25, 1993, determines the manner in which the organization shall be governed. A Copy of the Constitution to which reference is herein made is attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"**, is incorporated herein by reference, and shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Constitution".

12. The term of office for the Trustees is provided within Section 5.3.4 of the Constitution as follows:

All trustees, except the one elected from the Board of Directors, are permanent positions. However, if one or more of the permanent positions becomes empty due to death, resignation, loss of qualification, etc., the new trustee(s) shall be suggested by the Board of Directors and approved by the advisory A'lim.

13. None of the Trustee positions occupied by the Plaintiffs became empty due to death, resignation, or loss of qualification.

14. On or about August 17, 2002 a dissenting faction of the IEC members had a meeting wherein they, *ultra vires*, took action in an attempt to amend the Constitution.

15. The dissenting members failed to follow the proper procedures to amend the Constitution as set forth therein.

16. Article 7 of the Constitution provides the proper procedures by which the Constitution may be amended or repealed:

7.1 Amendments to this constitution shall only be considered if it can be determined that they will better achieve the purpose of the IEC. Such amendments shall be proposed, in writing, to the Board by two or more members of the IEC. Approval of the amendments shall be authorized by the A'lim and trustees and submitted to the Board of Directors before ratification by the General Body.

7.2 A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the total active members shall constitute ratification to the amendments as described in the Bylaws.

17. In an *ultra vires* effort to oust the Plaintiffs as the rightful Trustees, one of the purported amendments sought by the dissenting members attempted to modify the term of office for the Trustees.

18. The dissenting IEC members from time to time have been lead by a group that has sought to establish control of the IEC as the Board of Directors.

19. The Board of Directors prepared correspondence to the members dated August 25, 2002 summarizing the purported amendments to the Constitution. A Copy of the aforementioned correspondence to which reference is herein made is attached hereto as **Exhibit "C"**, and is incorporated herein by reference.

20. Thereafter the Board of Directors sought to hold an election to elect new Trustees. A Copy of the correspondence referencing this process is attached hereto as **Exhibit "D"**, and is incorporated herein by reference.

21. Prior to the *ultra vires* amendment of the Constitution and election of Trustees, the Plaintiffs were the rightful Trustees of the IEC.

22. The Plaintiffs remain to be the true and rightful Trustees of the IEC.

23. The Plaintiffs prepared correspondence dated September 7, 2002 to the members informing the dissenting members that their recent actions, in contravention of the Constitutional

provisions, were deemed void and without effect. A Copy of the aforementioned correspondence to which reference is herein made is attached hereto as **Exhibit "E"**, and is incorporated herein by reference.

24. The largest asset of the IEC is the real property and improvements thereon identified in the legal description attached hereto as **Exhibit "F"** ("the Property"). The Property is currently the subject of an eminent domain action initiated by the State of Florida, Department of Transportation ("DOT") in Case No. 07-8832 pending in this Court.

25. The Plaintiffs were the only representatives of the IEC during the negotiation process with the DOT in reference to the taking of the Property.

26. The Plaintiffs, through protracted negotiations, were able to negotiate a significant increase in the original offer to purchase the Property from \$1,600,000.00 to \$2,100,000.00.

27. Upon information and belief, after protracted negotiations by the Plaintiffs with the DOT for the betterment of the IEC members, the Defendants took efforts to undermine the authority of the Plaintiffs with the IEC members as well as the DOT.

28. Upon information and belief, the Defendants, in attempt to exert their control over the assets of the IEC for personal gain, began contacting the DOT and represented that they were in control of the assets of the IEC.

29. Upon information and belief, the Defendants attempted to negotiate the sale of the Property with the DOT for \$1,600,000.00, however they were prevented from doing so because the Property had been conveyed by the Plaintiffs for safe-keeping to the Islamic Education Center, Inc., an associated religious organization in Maryland.

30. Upon information and belief, which is corroborated by the Annual Report filed with the Florida Secretary of State, the Defendants have attempted to exert control of the IEC as

the Board of Directors. A Copy of the aforementioned report to which reference is herein made is attached hereto as **Exhibit "G"**, is incorporated herein by reference, and shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Annual Report".

31. Due to the Defendants *ultra vires* actions to improperly modify the IEC's Annual Report, the Plaintiffs were no longer permitted to negotiate the sale of the Property with the DOT, and the DOT was forced to file the aforementioned action.

32. Any attempt by the Defendants to exert control over the assets of the IEC is *ultra vires* and not otherwise permitted by the Constitution.

33. Article 5 of the Constitution provides from the following organizational hierarchy beginning with (a) the level of most importance to (f) least:

- a. Advisor,
- b. Resident A'lim,
- c. Trustees,
- d. General Body,
- e. Board of Directors, and
- f. Project Committees.

34. The description of the Trustees' responsibilities within the organization is provided within Sections 5.3.1 and 5.3.3 of the Constitution:

5.3.1 The trustees shall be the keepers of the IEC's long term assets such as the real estate, on behalf of the Leader with whom the ultimate authority of the assets resides. There shall be five trustees chosen as follows:

- 1) The advisory A'lim
- 2) Three trustees elected by the Board of Directors and Approved by the advisory A'lim
- 3) One trustee elected from the Board of Directors by the Directors for the period of their term.

5.3.3

- 1) Supervise the execution and the continuity of the activities planned by the Board of Directors according to the Constitution.
- 2) Serve as the link between the Leadership and the Board of Director (sic) and community in addition to being the link with the State of Florida.
- 3) Resolve and diffuse all obstacles and personal conflicts among the Board of Directors, community and/or the A'lim.

- 4) Should meet bi-annually before the General Assembly to review the bi-annual report submitted by the board of Directors for approval before reading it the General Assembly.
- 5) Oversee the whole election process and supervise any change in the constitution.

35. The Plaintiffs are the true and rightful Trustees of the IEC and as such should be permitted control of its assets for the betterment of its members.

**COUNT I**  
**DECLARATORY RELIEF**

36. This is an action against the Defendants for declaratory relief, filed pursuant to Florida Statute 86.011 et seq., in reference to the Plaintiffs' rights as Trustees and members of the IEC pursuant to the Constitution.

37. The Plaintiffs incorporate the allegations set forth in paragraphs one (1) through thirty five (35) above as if fully set forth herein.

38. The Plaintiffs require a determination of their respective rights, powers, and privileges with respect to their positions as Trustees within the IEC.

39. The Plaintiffs require a determination of their respective rights, powers, and privileges with regard to the foregoing, and it is noted that the Defendants take a position diametrically opposed to the Plaintiffs in this regard.

40. A genuine controversy is pending between the parties to this cause that must be fully adjudicated in order for the management and control of the IEC to be resolved.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully pray this Court:

- a. Render a declaratory judgment that the attempted amendment of the Constitution was unlawful, and in violation of the Constitution of the IEC and that the Plaintiffs are the true and rightful and Trustees;

- b. Render a declaratory judgment that any and all actions taken inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution are invalid and without effect;
- c. Pending the rendition of such declaratory judgment, enjoin defendants from holding, or attempting to hold, or permitting the holding of any elections for Trustees, Directors, or otherwise;
- d. Pending the rendition of such declaratory judgment, enjoin defendants from taking any other actions inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution;
- e. Award Plaintiffs the costs of this action; and
- f. Award such other and further relief as to the Court seems proper.

COUNT II  
INJUNCTION

41. The Plaintiffs incorporate the allegations set forth in paragraphs one (1) through thirty five (35) above as if fully set forth herein.

42. The Plaintiffs have improperly and *ultra vires* been denied their proper positions as Trustees within the IEC.

43. The Defendants have, unlawfully and in contravention of the Constitution, attempted to exert total and complete control over the assets of the IEC including the Property.

44. Because of the Defendants' actions as set forth above, Plaintiff and those members of the public doing business with the Tax Collector have suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable injury, which cannot be cured by monetary damages alone.

45. Plaintiffs have a clear, legal right to injunctive relief against all of the Defendants. Injunctive relief is particularly appropriate where, as is the case here, Defendants will continue to cause injury to the Plaintiffs.



46. Plaintiffs lack an adequate remedy at law.
47. Issuance of an injunction is sought to best serve the interests of the IEC members.
48. Fairness, equity, and justice require the issuance of an injunction against the

Defendants.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully pray this Court:

- a. Render judgment against all Defendants for injunctive relief, temporarily and permanently enjoining all Defendants, their successors, assigns, agents, employees, representatives, any person or entity acting on the behalf of any of the Defendants from breaching or causing, either directly or indirectly, the breach of any term or provision within the Constitution;
- b. Render judgment against all Defendants for injunctive relief, temporarily and permanently enjoining all Defendants, their successors, assigns, agents, employees, representatives, any person or entity acting on the behalf of any of the Defendants from making any use of IEC assets, whether or not such use would be deemed waste according to applicable law;
- c. Award Plaintiffs the costs of this action; and
- d. Award such other and further relief as to the Court seems proper.

**COUNT III**  
**RECEIVERSHIP**

49. This is an action for appointment of a receiver to take possession and control of the IEC during the pendency of this cause.

50. The Plaintiffs incorporate the allegations set forth in paragraphs one (1) through thirty five (35) above as if fully set forth herein.

51. The Plaintiffs as members and trustees have an interest in the IEC.

52. The Plaintiffs' interests along with interests of all IEC members have been jeopardized and will continue to be jeopardized until such time that the Court determines the respective interests of the parties.

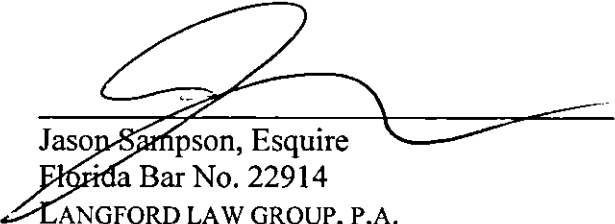
53. Plaintiffs lack an adequate remedy at law.

54. There is a substantial likelihood that Plaintiffs will prevail upon the merits of this action against the Defendants.

55. A nominal bond should be required, since the Defendants do not stand to suffer any damages upon the appointment of a receiver.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully pray this Court appoint a receiver for the pendency of this cause, with such receiver to have broad powers to control the assets and affairs of the IEC and to serve for a nominal fee with a bond.

DATED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.



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LANGFORD LAW GROUP, P.A.  
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Attorney for Plaintiffs

# EXHIBIT "A"

# State of Florida



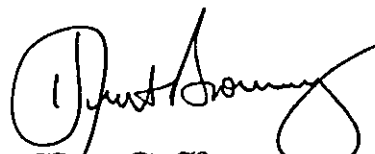
## Department of State

I certify the attached is a true and correct copy of the complete file of ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA, INC., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, as shown by the records of this office.

The document number of this corporation is N93000003202.

Given under my hand and the  
Great Seal of the State of Florida  
at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this the  
Fifteenth day of June, 2007



  
Kurt S. Bronning  
Secretary of State

N9300003202

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 8227  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER, INC.

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Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and our check for \$127.50.

FROM: ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER, INC.

Name (printed or typed)  
P.O. Box 25414

Address  
TAMPA, FL 33634

City, State, & Zip  
(813) 238-8595

Telephone Number

1013-10901

- ① conflict N50014
- ② election of directors
- ③ no RA info
- ④ RA Prom & receipt

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Jim Smith  
Secretary of State

June 8, 1993

Islamic Education Center, Inc.  
Post Office Box 25414  
Tampa, FL 33634

SUBJECT: ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER, INC.  
Ref. Number: W93000012907

We have received your document for ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s).

The corporate name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of an existing entity. Please select a new name and make the substitution in all appropriate places. One or more words may be added to make the corporate name distinguishable from the one presently on file. Simply adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of a corporate name does not constitute a difference.

When the document is resubmitted, please return a copy of this letter to ensure that your document is properly handled.

If you have any questions about the availability of a particular name, please call (904) 488-9000.

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation. A statement making reference to the bylaws is acceptable.

The designation of the registered office and the registered agent, both at the same Florida street address, must be contained within the document pursuant to Florida Statutes. The registered agent must sign accepting the designation as required by Florida Statutes.

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

The document must contain written acceptance by the registered agent, (i.e. "I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation"); and the registered agent's signature.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Jim Smith

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call  
(904) 487-8924.

Angel Granger  
Corporate Specialist Supervisor

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA, INC.

The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be:  
ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA INC.

ARTICLE II

This corporation may engage or transact in any or all lawful activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States, the State of Florida or any other state, county, territory or nation.

ARTICLE III

The purpose of this corporation not for profit is to establish a religious and educational organization. Establish a committee to seek donations from individuals and business organizations.

ARTICLE IV

Initial registered agent and street address:  
The name and address of the initial registered agent is:  
Sheikh Mohammad Ali Baig  
6450 Rock Pointe Dr. Tampa, FL 33634

ARTICLE V

The initial street address of the principal office of the corporation shall be at 6450 Rock Pointe Dr. Tampa, FL 33634.  
The Board of Directors may from time to time designate such other address and place for the principal office of this corporation as it may see fit.



ARTICLE VI

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in th manner provided by law. Corporation's board of directors may amend or repeal the corporation's bylaws.

ARTICLE VII

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VIII

The names and street addresses of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified are as follows:

Sheikh Mohammad Ali Baig, President  
6450 Rock Pointe Dr. Tampa, FL 33634 (818) 884 0847

Mustafa Hamad, secretary  
8733 N. 50th St. Tampa, FL 33617 (813) 985-5810

Abdolnaby Dehdaght, Treasurer  
12708 19th St. N. #203 Tampa, FL 33612 (313) 222 2822

The method of election of directors shall be set forth in the bylaws.

ARTICLE IX

The name and street address of the subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is:

Sheikh Mohammad Ali Baig  
6450 Rock Pointe Dr. Tampa, FL 33634

Sheikh Mohammad Ali Baig - President

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 10th day of May 1993, personally appeared Sheikh Mohammad Ali Baig to me well known to be the person described in and who signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same freely and voluntarily, for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal the date aforesaid.

*M. A. Baig*

*Orlene Teresa Livingston*  
NOTARY PUBLIC C. 53-138-59-552-0  
Feb 20, 1994  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION  
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 607.0501 or 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is: ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

SHEIKH MOHAMMAD ALI BAIG

(NAME)

6450 ROCK POINTE DR.

(P.O. BOX NOT ACCEPTABLE)

TAMPA, FLORIDA 33634

(CITY/STATE/ZIP)

HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATING TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE OBLIGATIONS OF MY POSITION AS REGISTERED AGENT.

SIGNATURE [Signature]

DATE JUNE 30, 1993

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
DIVISION OF CORPORATION  
P.O. BOX 6327 TALLAHASSEE FL 32314

Islamic Education Center of Tampa, INC

Post office BOX 25414  
Tampa, FL 33622-25414

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Dear Sirs;

Include Please find the Articles of  
Amendment, The check for filling Fee  
and certified copy of amendments.

If There is any questions please  
do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely yours

TREASURER:

*Alfred [Signature]*

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STATE OF FLORIDA

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation adopts the following articles of amendment to its articles of incorporation.

FIRST: Amendment(s) adopted:

- A. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by 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.
- B. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, 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 so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation 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.

SECOND: The date of adoption of the amendment(s) was: December 2, 1993

THIRD: Adoption of Amendment (check one)

- The amendment(s) was(were) adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval.
- There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment. The amendment(s) was(were) adopted by the board of directors.

STATE OF FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporation Name

Abdullah Yassine  
Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, President or other officer

Abdullah Yassine  
Typed or printed name

Chairman of Board of Directors 12/3/1993  
Title Date

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**SECRETARY OF STATE**  
**OFFICE OF CORPORATIONS**

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**CORPORATION ANNUAL REPORT 1994**

**DOCUMENT # N9300003202 (9)**

**Corporation Name:** ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA, INC.

**Mailing Address:** 6450 ROCK PONTE DR TAMPA FL 33634

**Principal Place of Business:** 6450 ROCK PONTE DR TAMPA FL 33634

**1. Date incorporated or Qualified:** 07/19/1993 **2c. Date of Last Report:**

**4. FE Number:** 59-3205048 **Applied For:** (Not Applicable)

**6. Certificate of Status Desired:**  **8. Election Campaign Financing Trust:**   
**9. Nonprofit Exempt from \$138.75 Supplemental Fee:**  **\$5.00 May Be Added to Fees:**

**6. This corporation has liability for intangible tax under S. 190.032, Florida Statutes:**  Yes  No

**9. Name and Address of Current Registered Agent:**  
**BAIG SHEKH M**  
**6450 ROCK PONTE DR**  
**TAMPA FL 33634**

**10. Name and Address of New Registered Agent:**

**11. Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 607.0502 and 607.1508 or Sections 617.0402 and 617.1509, Florida Statutes, the above-named corporation submits the statement for the purpose of changing its registered office or registered agent, or both, in the State of Florida. Such change was authorized by the corporation's board of directors. I hereby accept the new agent as registered agent. I am familiar with, and accept, the regulations of Section 607.0505 or 617.0500, Florida Statutes.**

**SIGNATURE:** *SHAIKH MOHAMMAD BAIG* **DATE:** 1-22-94

**12. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

<b>12.1 TITLE:</b> P/D	<b>12.2 NAME:</b> BAIG SHEKH M
<b>12.3 STREET ADDRESS:</b> 6450 ROCK PONTE DR	
<b>12.4 CITY-ST-ZIP:</b> TAMPA FL 33634	
<b>12.5 TITLE:</b> S/D	<b>12.6 NAME:</b> HANAFI -MUSTAFA-
<b>12.7 STREET ADDRESS:</b> 6733 N 50TH ST	
<b>12.8 CITY-ST-ZIP:</b> TAMPA FL 33617	
<b>12.9 TITLE:</b> T/D	<b>12.10 NAME:</b> BEHDAGHT ABDOLMAHY
<b>12.11 STREET ADDRESS:</b> 12766 19TH ST. NO. 7203	
<b>12.12 CITY-ST-ZIP:</b> TAMPA FL 33612	

**13. CHANGES TO OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS 11-12**

<b>13.1 TITLE:</b> S/D	<b>13.2 NAME:</b> YASSINE ABDULLAH
<b>13.3 STREET ADDRESS:</b> 13801 N. 37th St. # 1209	
<b>13.4 CITY-ST-ZIP:</b> TAMPA, FL-33613	
<b>13.5 TITLE:</b> T/D	<b>13.6 NAME:</b> ABBAS HAHEMI
<b>13.7 STREET ADDRESS:</b> 7606 SHARON DR #	
<b>13.8 CITY-ST-ZIP:</b> TAMPA - FL-33617	

**14. I do hereby certify that the information supplied with this filing is voluntarily furnished and does not qualify for the exemption stated in Section 119.07(3)(a), Florida Statutes. I warrant that the information indicated on this annual report or supplemental annual report is true and accurate and that my signature shall have the same legal effect as if made under oath. I have fulfilled all obligations concerning unclaimed property imposed by Chapter 717, Florida Statutes; that I am an officer or director of the corporation or the receiver or assignee of the corporation; and that my name appears in Block 12 or Block 13 if changed, or on an attached address.**

**SIGNATURE:** *SHAIKH MOHAMMAD BAIG* **DATE:** 1-22-94 (819884-0347)

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Corporation Name  
**IBLANIC EDUCATION CENTER OF  
TAMPA, INC.**

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Mailing Address  
Principal Place of Business  
**6450 ROCK POINTE DR.  
TAMPA, FL 33634**

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3. Date Incorporated or Qualified **07/19/1993** 3a. Date of Last Report **05/01/1994**

4. Mailing Address  
**PO BOX 22429**  
5. Principal Place of Business  
City & State  
**St. Petersburg, FL**  
6. City & State  
**St. Petersburg, FL**  
7. Zip  
**33742**

4. FET Number  
**59-3205048**  
5. Certificate of Status Desired  
**\$8.75 Additional Fee Requested**  
6. Election Campaign Financing Trust Fund Contribution  
 \$5.00 May Be Added to Fees  
7. Nonprofit Exempt from \$136.75 Supplemental Fee  
  
8. The corporation has liability for intangible tax under S. 190.032, Florida Statutes  
 Yes  No

9. Name and Address of Current Registered Agent  
**DR. SAM HAKKI  
9th Street North BOX 22429  
St. Petersburg, FL 33742**

10. Name and Address of New Registered Agent  
11. Name  
12. Street Address (P.O. Box Number is Not Acceptable)  
13. City  
14. State  
**FL** 15. Zip Code

16. Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 607.0502 and 607.1500 or Sections 617.0502 and 617.1500, Florida Statutes, the above named corporation submits this statement for the purpose of changing its registered office or registered agent in both in the State of Florida. Such change was authorized by the corporation's board of directors. I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent, I am fully qualified, and I accept the obligations of Section 607.0505 or 617.0505, Florida Statutes.  
**S. Hakki** DATE **11-18-94**

17. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS			
17.1 TITLE	17.2 NAME	17.3 STREET ADDRESS	17.4 CITY-STATE-ZIP
P/D	MOHAMMD ZAKI ALSWIJ	661 Bering Dr. #511	Houston, TX 77057
VP/D	SHAIKH MOHAMMAD ALI BAIG	6450 Rock Pointe Dr.	Tampa, FL 33634
S/D	DR. SAM HAKKI	9th Street North Box 22429	St. Petersburg, FL 33742
T/D	HAMID R. FARAJI	1832 Selvon Dr.	Clearwater, FL 34623
D	ABBAS RASHEMI	7606 Sharon Dr.	Tampa, FL 33617
D	IBRAHIM ALI KHALIFI	6450 Rock Pointe Dr.	Tampa, FL 33634

18. CHANGES TO OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS IN 12			
18.1 TITLE	18.2 NAME	18.3 STREET ADDRESS	18.4 CITY-STATE-ZIP

SIGNATURE: **S. Hakki** DATE **11-18-94**

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Principal Office of Corporation: **6450 ROCK PONTE DR TAMPA FL 33634**  
Mailing Address: **P.O. BOX 22429 TAMPA FL 33742 US**

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE  
3. Date incorporated or Qualified: **07/19/1993** Sa. Date of Last Report: **02/01/1994**  
4. FBI Number: **59-3205048** Applied For:  Not Applicable:

25. Principal Place of Business: **6450 ROCK PONTE DR TAMPA FL 33634**  
26. Mailing Address: **P.O. BOX 22429 TAMPA FL 33742 US**  
27. State, Apt. #, etc.:  
28. City & State: **ST. PETERSBURG, FL**  
29. Zip: **33742** 30. Country: **FLORIDA**

5. Certificate of Status Desired:  **\$8.75 Additional Fee Required**  
6. Election Campaign Financing:  **\$5.00 May Be Added to Fees**  
7. Nonprofit with #S 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Status:  **\$68.75 Supplemental Fee Not Required**  
8. This corporation has liability for intangible tax under S. 199.032, Florida Statutes:  Yes  No

9. Name and Address of Current Registered Agent:  
**HAKKI DR. SAM  
9TH ST. NORTH  
ST. PETERSBURG FL 33742**

10. Name and Address of New Registered Agent:  
81. Name: **SAM HAKKI**  
82. Street Address (P.O. Box Number is Not Acceptable):  
83.  
84. City: **FL** 85. Zip Code:

I, the undersigned, in compliance with the provisions of Sections 507.1602 and 607.1508, Florida Statutes, the above-named corporation submits this statement for the purpose of changing its registered office or registered agent, or both, in the State of Florida. Such change was authorized by the corporation's board of directors. I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of, Section 607.0605, Florida Statutes.

Signature, typed or printed name of registered agent and title in circulation. NOTE: Registered Agent signature required when removing. DATE

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I, the undersigned, certify that the information supplied with this filing is voluntarily furnished and does not qualify for the exemption stated in Section 119.07(3)(a), Florida Statutes. I further certify that the information indicated on this annual report or supplementary annual report is true and accurate and that my signature shall have the same legal effect as if made under penalty of perjury and in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and that my name is not on the list of persons who are prohibited from serving as officers or directors of a corporation.

SIGNATURE: *Sam Hakki* **SAM HAKKI** 4/29/95 (815) 524-1444



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**Organizational Structure of  
The Islamic Education Center of Tampa**  
as described in its constitution which was adapted on September 25, 1993.



Abdullah Yassine  
Chairman of The Board of Directors of IEC

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**Article 4. MEMBERSHIP**

**4.1 Qualifications**

4.1.1 Any individual, aged 18 years or older, who believes in and endeavors to practice the Islamic way of life, shall qualify to become a member of the IEC by fulfilling the following conditions:

4.1.1.1 Agree with the Constitution of the IEC.

4.1.1.2 Be recommended by two (2) active members and approved by the Board of Directors of the IEC.

4.1.1.3 Love Mohammad and his descendants (Peace be upon them) and follow their teachings.

4.1.2 Every member shall be obligated to perform the duties and responsibilities as mentioned in Section 4.2 of this Article. The classification of membership is detailed in the Bylaws.

**4.2 Duties and Responsibilities**

4.2.1 A member of the IEC shall become eligible to vote after six month of active membership in accordance with the Articles of this Constitution. To be considered active, a member shall continue to perform the following duties and responsibilities:

4.2.1.1 Stay well acquainted with the IEC's Constitution and not work or act contrary to the aims, tenets, or objectives of the IEC.

4.2.1.2 Participate in the IEC's activities and scheduled programs at least once a month.

4.2.1.3 Support and cooperate in efforts towards the improvement and stability of the IEC.

4.2.1.4 Seek the knowledge of Usool-e-Deen and Furoo-e-Deen of Islam and endeavor to practice them.

4.2.1.5 Display good moral character. Furthermore, he or she shall believe in and practice Islamic dress code.

4.2.1.6 Attend at least one of the two scheduled general body meetings of IEC in a year.

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4.2.1.7 Pay the membership dues as prescribed by the IEC's Bylaws.

4.2.2 Any serious violation of the above responsibilities may cause renewal of the individual membership to be denied with no obligation to the IEC. The denial of membership renewal shall be affected by the IEC's Board, under the guidance of the A'im as prescribed by the IEC's Bylaws.

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## Article 5. ORGANIZATIONAL FRAMEWORK

The IEC's organizational structure shall consist of the following:

- 1) Advisor
- 2) Resident A'lim
- 3) Trustees
- 4) General Body
- 5) Board of Directors
- 6) Project Committees.

### 5.1 Advisor

5.1.1 The advisor which refers to the Advisory A'lim or the Advisory Council of Ulama in the United States is accepted by the Board of Trustees to resolve any conflict between the resident A'lim and other members of the community.

5.1.2 The Advisory A'lim or Ulama must be living in the United States, known in the community, experienced in Islamic laws and activities and willing to accept this responsibility.

5.1.3 The Advisory A'lim should be a representative of one of the recognized Maraja-el-Taqlid or a Mujtahid himself, his ijtehad is recognized and known by the Marja' himself.

### 5.2 Resident A'lim

5.2.1 In order to protect the implementation of the ordinance of Islam and the Constitution, a Religious Scholar, hereafter called "the A'lim", shall be nominated by the A'lim Suggestion Committee and approved by the Trustees. After the agreement, a letter of recommendation written by the Advisor and a written request from the Board of Trustees shall be sent to the leader of the believers or the leadership council. The religious scholar shall be:

5.2.1.1 Conscious of the current needs and issues of the world and greatly respected for his justice and knowledge of Islam.

5.2.1.2 Known to strive for the establishment and improvement of the Islamic Community.

5.2.1.3 Residing in Tampa Bay Area, Florida.

5.2.1.4 Able to communicate with the IEC's members individually or in groups.

5.2.2 The A'lim shall guide the IEC in all its affairs and activities to insure adherence to Islamic laws. The A'lim shall provide judgment on all matters of conflict referred to him by the

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Board and notify his decision with regard to the matter in question. The A'im's decision should be implemented.

5.2.3 All activities of the IEC, on or off the IEC's premises, must have prior approval by the Board of Directors which is responsible for getting the approval of the A'im.

5.2.4 Whenever the A'im is perceived by the members to be violating the trust of the Leader of The Believers or the Leadership Council, by exceeding the limits of Islam, or incapable of fulfilling his duties, the Leader or the Leadership Council shall be informed of the situation in order to take appropriate action. A petition defining the cause(s) and documenting the evidence of such perception shall be prepared, signed by at least two-thirds (2/3) of all active members and submitted to the Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees which shall then send such petition to the Leader or the Leadership Council and await for their judgment. This judgment shall be respected and followed by all parties involved.

5.3 Trustees (Mutawalleen)

5.3.1 The trustees shall be the keepers of the IEC's long term assets such as the real estate, on behalf of the Leader with whom the ultimate authority of the assets resides. There shall be five trustees chosen as follows:

- 1) The advisory A'im
- 2) Three trustees elected by the Board of Directors and Approved by the advisory A'im.
- 3) One trustee elected from the Board of Directors by the Directors for the period of their term.

5.3.2 A Trustee shall:

5.3.2.1 Be under the firm Taqleed of one of the recognized Maraja'-e-Taqleed and approves of and applies his decrees.

5.3.2.2 Be known for his justice, impartial, non-sectarian.

5.3.2.3 Be known for his high level of Taqwa'. He shall refrain from major sins (Kaba'ir) and endeavor to avoid minor sins (Sagha'ir), in addition to being a good practicing Muslim.

5.3.2.4 Be known to strive for the propagation of Islam and improvement of the Islamic Community.

5.3.2.5 Take oath of office as prescribed in Article 9.

5.3.2.6 Believe in Wala'yat-el-Faqih (the leadership of Ahlul-Bayt school of thought).

5.3.2.7 Be approved by the A'im.

5.3.2.8 Provide evidence of paying Khoms 20% of his or her annual saving.

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### 5.3.3 Responsibilities

- 1) Supervise the execution and the continuity of the activities planned by the Board of Directors according to the Constitution.
- 2) Serve as the link between the Leadership and the Board of Director and community in addition to being the link with the State of Florida.
- 3) Resolve and diffuse all obstacles and personal conflicts among the Board of Directors, community and/or the A'lim.
- 4) Should meet bi-annually before the General Assembly to review the bi-annual report submitted by the board of Directors for approval before reading it to the General Assembly.
- 5) Update *all* government and State paper work (contracts, tax, accounting, State requirements for continuing non- profit tax-exempt status etc.) necessary to preserve the IEC.
- 6) Oversee the whole election process and supervise any change in the constitution.

### 5.3.4 Term of Office

All trustees, except the one elected from the Board of Directors, are permanent positions. However, if one or more of the permanent positions becomes empty due to death, resignation, loss of qualifications, etc., the new trustee(s) shall be suggested by the Board of Directors and approved by the advisory A'lim.

### 5.4 General Body

5.4.1 The General Body of the IEC shall consist of, and only of, active members. The IEC's annual budgets and capital expenditures for all short-term and long-term projects shall be presented to the General Body for their information and input. Midyear reports shall be presented to the General Body for their review and information as stipulated in the Bylaws. The General Body shall be empowered to elect or remove members of the Board of Directors in accordance with the procedures described in the IEC's Bylaws.

### 5.5 Board of Directors

5.5.1 The Board of Directors, hereafter called "the Board", shall develop all plans, policies, and procedures under the guidance of the resident A'lim to achieve the mission of IEC. They shall provide necessary assistance and support to the Project Committees (described in Section 5.5 of Article 5) upon request and as needed.

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5.5.2 The term of each Director shall be two (2) years from the date of commencement of his term and until his successor has been duly qualified and elected.

5.5.3 The General Body shall elect minimum of five (5) or maximum of nine (9) as a Board of Directors.

5.5.4 A candidate running for the position of Director shall:

5.5.4.1 Be an active member of the IEC for at least the last six months.

5.5.4.2 Have participated in the project committees of the IEC for at least six (6) months.

5.5.4.3 Refrain from major sins (Kaba'ir) and endeavor to avoid minor sins (Sagh'ir), in addition to being a good practicing Muslim.

5.5.4.4 Have no intentions or known plans for leaving the Tampa Bay Area to reside elsewhere, within the term of office.

5.5.4.5 Be elected by the General Body as a Board member of the IEC.

5.5.4.6 Take oath of office as prescribed in Article 9.

5.5.4.7 Be under the firm Taqleed of one of the recognized Maraja'-e-Taqleed.

5.5.4.8 Be respected for his justice and knowledge of basic Islamic Principles (Ahkam Furoo-e Deen).

5.5.5 The election of the positions will be supervised by the Board of Trustees of the IEC.

5.5.6 Scope and Functional Responsibilities of the Board of Directors.

5.5.6.1 Establish policies and guidelines for the efficient operation of the IEC.

5.5.6.2 Develop and/or coordinate the development of all short-term and long-term plans of the IEC including Annual Budget, Capital Expenditures, various project plans, etc., and present them to the General Body for their information.

5.5.6.3 Prepare bi-annual reports for presentation to the General Body.

5.5.6.4 Interpret the constitution and the Bylaws of the IEC under the guidance of the resident A'lim and approval of the advisory A'lim.

5.5.6.5 Resolve all differences within the General Body with regard to the IEC's activities. Unresolved differences shall be referred to the resident A'lim.

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5.5.6.6 Appoint an Election Committee, approved by the A'lim, for conducting the IEC's elections for the Board of Directors, in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws of the IEC. This committee is supervised and overseen by the trustees of IEC.

5.5.6.7 Review proposed amendments to the Constitution and seek the approval of the trustees and the A'lim before submitting them to the General Body for ratification in accordance with the provisions of Article 7.

5.5.7 The individual responsibilities of the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and other Directors, shall be as prescribed in the IEC's Bylaws.

**5.6 Project Committees**

5.6.1 Any Director of the Board in his personal capacity shall, with the consent of the Board, be authorized and encouraged to formulate Project Committees from the IEC's members to implement approved plans and policies of the Board. Notwithstanding the approval and knowledge of the Board, any Director who utilizes such voluntary services of the IEC's members shall be fully responsible for all acts of such volunteers related to the IEC's work.

5.6.2 Terms of the Project Committees shall be flexible to accommodate all types of projects, whether short-term, long-term, or perpetual in nature.

5.6.3 There shall be Project Committees, each of which shall be headed by an elected Director. These Committees could be:

1. Education
2. Finance
3. Operations
4. Publications
5. Maintenance
6. Records

Additionally, there shall be a Ladies Committee to organize the activities of the IEC women. The chairman of the Board of Directors with the A'lim shall oversee the activities of this committee.

The purpose and function of these committees shall be as described in the Bylaws of the IEC.

5.6.4 Each Project Committee shall be initiated and coordinated by a Director of the Board to accomplish specific approved goals for the project.

5.6.5 The number of participants in a Project Committee may vary depending on the nature and duration of the project.

5.6.6 A participant in a Project Committee shall:

5.6.6.1 Be an active member of the IEC.

5.6.6.2 Be known to be a good practicing Muslim.

**5.7 Removal or Suspension of Director**

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5.7.1 The majority of the Board of Directors (50% + 1) may decide with the approval of the A'lim to remove any Director if it can be determined that the Director's activities are consistently and intentionally contrary to Islamic laws and his qualifications.

5.7.2 A Director may be suspended for a period of at least three (3) months with the consent of the A'lim, if proposed by the remaining majority of the Board and only for the following reasons: neglect of duties, un-Islamic behavior, inexcusable absence in the IEC's programs, misappropriation of the IEC's funds, and a general perception that his continuation as Director would be detrimental to the purpose of the IEC.

**5.8 Replacement of Director**

5.8.1 Vacancies in the Board of Directors can exist because of any one or more of the following:

5.8.1.1 Insufficient number of Directors are elected in the IEC's election.

5.8.1.2 Removal of a Director as explained in Section 5.6 of this Article.

5.8.1.3 Loss of one or more Directors due to death or resignation.

5.8.2 The remaining Directors shall be empowered to select the next runner-up member of the IEC to fill the vacancy only for the remaining term.

5.8.3 In the event that a runner-up is not available, the vacancy will be filled by an election at a General Body meeting to be held within two (2) months of the vacancy.

Article 6. MEETINGS

No scheduled Board meeting shall conflict with the regularly scheduled programs of the IEC.

6.1 Regularly Scheduled Meetings

6.1.1 The General Body shall meet two (2) times a year: one at the celebration of the Holy Prophet's Birthday and second at the celebration of the Eid-ul-Fitr Day. The purpose of these meetings will be to:

6.1.1.1 Review past performance including, but not limited to, membership records and books of accounts.

6.1.1.2 Discuss current issues and future plans

6.1.1.3 Transact such other business as may properly be brought before the board.

6.1.1.4 Elect the Board of Directors only on the Holy Prophet's Birthday celebration for the succeeding term whenever due.

6.1.1.5 The election may be held within two (2) months of the Prophet's birthday by the suggestion of the Board of Directors and approval of the Trustees and The A'im.

6.1.2.1 General announcements through a newsletter, telephone recording, bulletin board, etc. shall be considered sufficient notice for the General Body meeting.

6.1.2.2 Notifications of election has to be sent through mail to all IEC members.

6.1.3 There shall be a regular monthly Board meeting on the day designated in the Bylaws, with the agenda provided to the A'im in advance. Members of the IEC are welcome to attend as observers. Minutes of the meeting will be kept and made available by the record director to the board members upon request. The purpose of these meetings will be to review the regular activities, monitor their progress, identify new activities, review future approved plans and to transact any other new business that the Board feels appropriate. No advance notice of such regular meetings shall be required and it shall be the duty of each Director to attend them without notice. Any change to this schedule shall be communicated sufficiently in advance to all Directors.

6.2 Special Meetings

6.2.1 Special meetings of the Board with the A'im may be requested by the Board at any time.

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6.2.2 Special general body meetings of the IEC may be called by the Board or by 51% of the IEC's active members upon a three (3), and not more than thirty (30) day notice along with the stated agenda is sent to IEC members. However, a special meeting called for the purpose of elections, shall require at least two (2) weeks written notice.

6.2.3 Special Board meetings may be called at any time by the A'lim or by any Director of the Board upon one(1) day notice by stating the purpose of the meeting.

### 6.3 Quorum

6.3.1 In all IEC's general body meetings, except for the amendment of the constitution, thirty percent (30%) of the active members shall form a quorum. If a quorum is not complete, the meeting shall stand adjourned and postponed to another day at which only twenty percent (20%) of the active members shall form a quorum. In case the attendance in the second time is less than 20% but not less than 10%, the majority of the Board of Directors and the majority of the attendees could then decide to form a quorum for record purposes only, but not to pass a law. Two-thirds (2/3) of the quorum shall rule on all matters.

6.3.2 At all Board meetings, the presence of a least 2/3 of Directors shall constitute a quorum. A simple majority shall rule on all matters as described in the Bylaws.

**Article 7. AMENDMENT OR REPEAL OF THE CONSTITUTION**

7.1 Amendments to this constitution shall only be considered if it can be determined that they will better achieve the purpose of the IEC. Such amendments shall be proposed, in writing, to the Board by two or more members of the IEC. Approval of the amendments shall be authorized by the A'im and trustees and submitted to the Board of Directors before ratification by the General Body.

7.2 A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the total active members shall constitute ratification to the amendments as described in the Bylaws.

**Article 8. DISSOLUTION**

8.1 If the Board of Directors unanimously conclude that the continuation of the IEC has become impossible or undesirable due to financial, political, religious or any other reason, the IEC shall be dissolved in the following manner.

8.1.1 The situation shall be announced to the General Body after consultation with the trustees and the A'im.

8.1.2 There shall be no refunds of any contributions or donations whatsoever.

8.1.3 Thirty (30) days after the announcement, if in the opinion of the existing members of the Board of Directors, there are no promising efforts by the members of the community to save the IEC from dissolution, then the Board of Directors shall start proceedings for dissolving the IEC.

8.1.4 The proceedings for dissolving the IEC shall consist of:

8.1.4.1 Closing all normal activities.

8.1.4.2 Fulfilling all financial obligations of the IEC.

8.1.4.3 Transferring all "waqf assets" and non-waqf assets as approved by the Leader or the Leadership Council.

8.1.4.4 Filing all necessary papers with all concerned agencies of the Government(s).

**Article 9. DECLARATION UPON OATH (AFFIDAVIT)**

9.1 Affidavit for Directors of the IEC.

9.1.1

I, \_\_\_\_\_ son of \_\_\_\_\_ while accepting membership of the Board of Directors of the IEC, do swear (as in Section 9.2 of the Article) in the name of Allah, that I:

9.1.1.1 Shall fulfill all my duties and responsibilities to the best of my abilities.

9.1.1.2 Shall consider it my duty and do the utmost to achieve the mission and successfully fulfill the activities of the IEC.

9.1.1.3 Shall abide by the Constitution and any other Rules, Bylaws, Regulations and Policies of the IEC, and shall help implement the same.

9.1.1.4 Shall not be absent from any Board meetings and the IEC's programs without reasonable cause.

9.1.1.5 Shall frankly present my sincere and correct opinion at meetings relating to the IEC's activities without any fear, hindrance, or prejudice (i.e. without any affinity, connection, love, enmity, grudge, approach, plot, competition, rivalry, or ill-will).

9.1.1.6 Shall guard the IEC's rules, regulations, policies, and activities; and if any error or deficiency is noticed, shall try to correct it or get it corrected.

9.1.1.7 Shall endeavor to lead an Islamic way of life according to the Maraja'-e-Taqleed under the guidance of the A'lim.

9.1.2 Oh Allah!, grant me the Divine Guidance, ability and capacity in the trust of Mohammad (SA) and Ale-Mohammad (AS) to faithfully satisfy this oath only to please You; and include me among those who lay their foundation on Your fear and good pleasure.

9.1.3 Signature of the Director:

9.1.4 Full Name and Designation:

9.1.5 Address:

9.1.6 Signature of the A'lim:

I.E.C. of Florida is a registered non-profit organization  
P.O. BOX 25414, TAMPA, FL 33622

9.2 Oath

9.2.1 Ouq-se-moo Billa-hill-A'theem, Wa-be-hazal-Quran-il-Kareem, An Akoona Multazeman  
Be-quilli Ma-fi Hazad-Dastoor Wa An Oma-resa-hoo Be-quilli Amanah Le-Khidma-ti-Islam Wal  
Moslemeen, Qurba-tan Elal-lahj Ta'ala.

Translation:

*I swear by Allah (God) Almighty and the holy Qur'an to abide by all what is in this Constitution  
and to sincerely practice it to serve Islam and the Moslem, only for the sake of Allah, The Almighty.*

**ARTICLE 10. ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION**

This constitution, adopted at the IEC's general body meeting of (date:—), will be put into effect immediately and will supersede all previous constitutions of the IEC. Agreements within the limits and provisions of the previous constitution will be binding and shall be honored by the IEC.

(Signed by the members of the elected constitution committee)



### GLOSSARY OF TERMS

#### Abka'm-e-Furoo'-e-Deen

Abka'm means doctrine or teachings, Furoo'-e-Deen means practices of Islam; thus Abka'm-e-Furoo'-e-Deen means the doctrines or teaching of Islamic practice.

#### Ale-Mohammad

Prophet Mohammad's immediate family comprised of the following ma'someen: 1) Ali (son of Hazrat-e-Abu Talib); 2) Fatimah (the beloved daughter of prophet Mohammad and wife of Ali); 3) Hasan (first son of Ali and Fatimah); 4) Husain (second son of Ali and Fatimah). Additionally, the nine (9) selected descendants of Husain (namely: 1. Zain-ul-Abideen, 2. Mohammad Baqir, 3. Jaffer-us-Sadiq, 4. Musa Kazim, 5. Ali Raza, 6. Mohammad Taqi, 7. Ali-un-Naqi, 8. Hasan Askari and 9. Mohammad Mehdi) are also considered to belong to the category of Ale-Mohammad. Collectively they are all referred to as the fourteen (14) ma'someen.

#### A'lim

A religious scholar who has been certified by a traditional Islamic religious school, which is recognized by Qum and/or Najaf.

#### Allah

The One, and only One, God on Whom everything depends, Who does not conceive nor is conceived, and nothing is His equal. God as used in this document refers to Allah. Sura-e-Tawheed defines Allah as follows: Allah is One; Allah is He on Whom all depend; He begets not nor is He begotten and none is like Him.

#### Board

The Board of Directors as defined in this constitution.

#### Dhul Hijjah (Zilhaj)

The twelfth (12) month of Islam.

#### Dua

Prayer. Generally referred to those prayers composed by Prophet Mohammad and Ale-Mohammad.

#### Eid

Religious celebration of an Islamic event: example: Eid-ul-Fitr, Eid-ul-Adha.

#### Eid-ul-Adha (Eid-ul-Azha)

Religious celebration on the tenth (10th) day of the month of Dhul Hijjah. Also see Eid.

#### Eid-ul-Fitr

Religious celebration on the first day of Sha'wwal after the completion of the holy month of Ramadan. Also see Eid.

#### Faqih

Sometimes also referred to as the 'mujtahid'. A religious scholar with a substantial number of years of study at traditional Islamic schools and one who is well recognized by his peers as having the ability and knowledge to draw conclusions and provide solutions directly from the Qur'an and from traditions of Prophet Mohammad and Ale-Mohammad. In fact the terms 'Mujtahid', 'Faqih' and 'Marja' all refer to Religious Scholars of varying levels of knowledge. Thus, a Faqih is considered more knowledgeable than a Mujtahid and a Marja is considered more knowledgeable than a Faqih.

#### Fuqaha

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One who is perfect, free of sins and has the responsibility from Allah to protect Islam and to lead Muslims.

**Mohammad**

The last prophet of Allah, whose coming was foretold in the Torah and the New Testament. All prophets are considered 'Ma'soom'.

**Mo'min**

One who believes in and strictly practices Islam.

**Mo'mineen**

Plural of Mo'min.

**Mujtahid**

See Faqih

**Moslim**

One who believes in and may practice Islam.

**Mutawalleen**

Trustees

**Occult**

Matters regarded as involving the influence of supernatural powers.

**Occultation**

The state of being hidden from view.

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# **EXHIBIT “C”**



## Islamic Education Center of Tampa

6450 Rockpointe Drive  
Tampa, Florida 33634  
Phone: (813)884-0847 Fax: (813)886-5286

August 25, 2002

Dear Brother/Sister:

Assalamu Alaikum

The Board of Directors would like to thank you for your enthusiastic participation in the General Body meeting held on August 17<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate your interest and commend your efforts in making the IEC successful. You will find attached to this letter a summary of the amendments as presented in the General Body meeting along with voting results.

We also need to take this chance to urge everyone of you to review the entire constitution document. We have copies of the constitution available in the office.

As a next step, we plan on having an election on September 7, 2002. In the mean time we need your help in identifying capable members who are willing to step up and take the responsibility to lead our organization in the next four years. Please contact anyone of the members of the Board of Directors at (813) 884-0847, (813) 294-4853 or (813)477-2220 to nominate yourself or someone else (whom you have already spoken to and has agreed to volunteer his/her time).

Again, thank you for your assistance and we look forward to continued support from you as we go through this transition period.

The Board of Directors  
Islamic Education Center of Tampa

5.3.2.5	Take oath of office as prescribed in Article 9. (no change in this item)
5.3.2.6	Believe in Wel'yat-el-Faqeeh (the leadership of Ahulul-Bayt school of thought). (no change in this item)
5.3.2.7	Be approved by the <u>Advisory A'lim</u> .  Approve = 70; Disapprove = 15; Abstain = 5
5.3.2.8	Provide evidence of paying Khoms 20% of his or her annual savings. This item will not be changed and will remain in it's place due to procedural issues. The removal of this item will be presented again in the next round of amendments.
5.3.2.9	<b><u>Possess good written and verbal communication skills. Be diplomatic in expressing himself.</u></b>  Approve = 75; Disapprove = 10; Abstain = 5
5.3.2.10	<b><u>Not be nationalist and be adept in dealing with cultural diversity.</u></b>  Approve = 83; Disapprove = 1; Abstain = 6
5.3.2.11	<b><u>Be able to recruit and/or motivate qualified people and to delegate functions.</u></b>  Approve = 83; Disapprove = 3; Abstain = 4
5.3.2.12	<b><u>Not be involved in any illegal activities or have any felony conviction.</u></b>  Approve = 86; Disapprove = 3; Abstain = 1
5.3.2.13	<b><u>Shall not have conflict of interest with required functions of the Board of Trustees. This conflict of interest could be due to a close family or business relationship or employee and employer relationship.</u></b>  Approve = 86; Disapprove = 2; Abstain = 2
5.3.2.14	<b><u>Have served on the Board of Directors for at least two terms ending prior to the Board of Trustees election date. Exceptions to this rule will only be possible as approved by the Board of Directors, the resident A'lim and the Advisory A'lim. This exception will only be applicable at a time where all three positions can not be filled.</u></b>  Approve = 73; Disapprove = 16; Abstain = 1

5.3.3	Responsibilities:
<b>NO CHANGE IN THIS SECTION.....</b>	
5.3.4	Term of Office
	<p>All trustees, except the one elected from the Board of Directors, <del>are permanent positions</del> <u>and the Advisory A'lim, are limited to four -year term.</u> However, if one or more of the positions becomes empty due to death, resignation, loss of qualifications, etc., the new trustee(s) shall be <del>suggested</del> <u>nominated</u> by the Board of Directors, approved by the Advisory A'lim <u>and elected by the General Body.</u></p> <p>Approve = 85; Disapprove = 5; Abstain = 0</p>

# **EXHIBIT “D”**



## Islamic Education Center of Tampa

ATTN: MEMBERSHIP

6450 Rockpointe Drive

Tampa, Florida 33634

Phone: (813) 884-0847 Fax: (813) 886-5286

September 17, 2002

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Assalamu Alaikum. This is to let you know that there will be an election for Board of Trustees on Saturday, September 28, 2002. You will find in this letter a short description of each of the nominees in order to help you decide whom to vote for. On the night of the election they will be introduced and give a short speech about what they plan to do if they are elected.

These brothers have all been nominated by the Board of Directors and approved by the Advisory A'lim according to the Amendment to the Constitution that was passed on August 17. Any of these Brothers will make fine Trustees.

You will be able to elect 3 of the 5 to serve as Trustees for the next 4 years. The Trustees are responsible for long-term assets such as the building. We hope to make great progress at the Center in the next 4 years so this election is very important

**Only members of the IEC will be allowed to vote.** Because of this, we are also including a Membership Form for you to fill out if you are not currently a member. The membership fee is \$120 per family or \$60 for a single person. **PLEASE DO THIS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** in order to ensure you are eligible to vote on election night. You may mail it back to the IEC at the address on the top of this letter  
ATTN: MEMBERSHIP or bring it in person.

Finally, included also is an Absentee Ballot. Use this **ONLY** if you are currently a member, but will not be able to come to the Center on September 28. Fill it out completely and mail it back to the IEC at the address on the top of this letter  
ATTN: MEMBERSHIP or bring it in person. It must be **RECEIVED BY SEPT. 28.**

If you have any questions about anything in this letter, please contact any member of the Board of Directors: Abdul Lateef, Falah Al-Hamadani, Fahad Fahda, Essam Shamsideen, Mona Shamsideen, Jihad Mansour, Sharon Wilson, Farzin Zafarianian (813)477-2220 or Sayed Dheia Almusaher (813)294-4853.

Thank you for your support and for helping to keep the strength and unity of our beloved Center.

  
The Board of Directors



# **EXHIBIT “E”**



**ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA INC.**

6450 ROCKPOINTE DRIVE , TAMPA , FLORIDA 33634 , USA  
PHONE : (813) 884- 0847 FAX: (813) 886-5286

September 7<sup>th</sup> 2002

Dear Members of the Board of Directors:

Peace to you,

We are aware the Board of Directors of the Islamic Education Center of Tampa are in the process of nominating new members for the Board of Trustees. We , the Trustees of IEC of Tampa, would like to remind you that ALL proceedings have to abide by the federal, state rules and regulations and follow proper procedure as outlined in the Constitution of IEC of Tampa. Otherwise, ALL your proceedings in regard to the nomination of trustees are VOID.

Truly Yours,

  
Hamid Faraji

  
Abbas Hashimi

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Ghassan Mansour

  
Sam Hakki

# **EXHIBIT “F”**

PARCEL A:

Lot 7, of BENJAMIN'S FARMS UNIT NO. 8, as per map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 27, Page 92, of the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida.

PARCEL B:

Lot 8, Unit 8, of BENJAMIN'S FARMS SUBDIVISION, according to map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 27, Page 92, of the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida, LESS the East 552.68 feet and LESS the South 25 feet thereof.

PARCEL C:

The West 300 feet of the East 552.68 feet of Lot 8, Unit 8, BENJAMIN'S FARMS SUBDIVISION, as per map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 27, Page 92, of the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida, LESS the South 25 feet thereof.

PARCEL D:

The North 102.32 feet of the West 120 feet of the East 252.68 feet of Lot 8, Unit 8, BENJAMIN'S FARMS SUBDIVISION, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 27, Page 92, of the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida.

LESS and EXCEPT the following parcel taken from along the Easterly portion of the subject property for the construction of the new Veteran's (N.W. Hillsborough) Expressway, more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southeast corner of Unit No. 8, BENJAMIN'S FARMS, as recorded in Plat Book 27, Page 92, Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida; thence N 01 deg.16'07" E. along the East boundary of said Unit No. 8, said East boundary also being the Westerly right-of-way line of Eisenhower Boulevard, for 382.11 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot 7, said Unit No. 8, and the Point of Beginning; thence N 89 deg.11'07" W. along the South boundary of said Lot 7, for 11.99 feet to a point on the proposed Westerly right-of-way line of the Northwest Expressway; thence leaving said South boundary, N 07 deg.13'18" E. along the proposed right-of-way line, for 77.99 feet to a point of curvature; thence continuing along said proposed right-of-way lines 39.63 feet Northerly along the arc of a curve concave Westerly, and having a radius of 3780.72 feet; a central angle of 00 deg.36'02", and a chord bearing and distance of N 06 deg.55'17" E., 39.63 feet to a point of intersection with the East boundary of said Lot 7 and said West right-of-way line of Eisenhower Boulevard; thence S 01 deg.16'07" W. along said East boundary for 116.91 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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Parcel E:

The East 132.68 feet of Lot 8, LESS the South 25 feet thereof deeded to Hillsborough County in Official Record Book 1092, Page 480 of BENJAMIN'S FARMS, UNIT NO. 8, according to map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 27, Page 92 of the public records of Hillsborough County, Florida. LESS AND EXCEPT that portion of property as contained in Order of Taking recorded in Official Record Book 6458, Page 310.

Parcel F:

THAT PART OF LOT 4 LYING SOUTH OF THE CENTERLINE OF CREEK, IN SWEETWATER FARMS, ACCORDING TO MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 87 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA.

# EXHIBIT "G"

2007 NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION AMENDED ANNUAL REPORT FILED Sep 18, 2007 Secretary of State

DOCUMENT# N93000003202

Entity Name: ISLAMIC EDUCATION CENTER OF TAMPA, INC.

Current Principal Place of Business:

6450 ROCK POINTE DR TAMPA, FL 33634

New Principal Place of Business:

Current Mailing Address:

1902WEST KENNEDY BLVD TAMPA, FL 33606 US

New Mailing Address:

6450 ROCK POINTE DR TAMPA, FL 33634 US

FEI Number: 59-3205048 FEI Number Applied For ( ) FEI Number Not Applicable ( ) Certificate of Status Desired ( )

Name and Address of Current Registered Agent:

MANSOUR, GHASSAN MR. 1902 W.KENNEDY BLVD TAMPA, FL 33606 US

Name and Address of New Registered Agent:

KHOSHNOODI, PERVIZ MR. 16515 SILVERHILL DR. TAMPA, FL 33624 US

The above named entity submits this statement for the purpose of changing its registered office or registered agent, or both, in the State of Florida.

SIGNATURE: PERVIZ KHOSHNOODI Electronic Signature of Registered Agent Date 09/18/2007

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

- Title: P/D ( ) Delete Name: HASHEMI, ABBAS Address: 7606 SHARON DR City-St-Zip: TAMPA, FL 33617
Title: S ( ) Delete Name: MANSOUR, GHASSAN Address: 1902 W. KENNEDY BLVD City-St-Zip: TAMPA, FL 33606
Title: T ( ) Delete Name: FARAJI, HAMID Address: 2765 QUAIL HOLLO RD .E City-St-Zip: CLEAR WATER, FL 33761
Title: V/D ( ) Delete Name: AYLEYA, SYED Address: 3800-204.ST.W. City-St-Zip: LYNNWOOD, WA 98036

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

- Title: P/D (X) Change ( ) Addition Name: JAWAD, AKRAM Address: 13802 CHERRY BROOK LN City-St-Zip: TAMPA, FL 33618
Title: S (X) Change ( ) Addition Name: HAKKI, SAM Address: 800 SEA CREST DR. City-St-Zip: TAMPA, FL 33746
Title: T (X) Change ( ) Addition Name: HARAKE, SALAH Address: 5410 TURTLE CROSSING LOOP City-St-Zip: TAMPA, FL 33625
Title: V/D (X) Change ( ) Addition Name: AL-MASHAHDANI, JABBAR Address: 4722 N HALE AVE City-St-Zip: TAMPA, FL 33614

I hereby certify that the information supplied with this filing does not qualify for the exemption stated in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. I further certify that the information indicated on this report or supplemental report is true and accurate and that my electronic signature shall have the same legal effect as if made under oath; that I am an officer or director of the corporation or the receiver or trustee empowered to execute this report as required by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes; and that my name appears above, or on an attachment with an address, with all other like empowered.

SIGNATURE: MARWAN GHERZEDDINE Electronic Signature of Signing Officer or Director Date 09/18/2007