#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

# OF THE ASSOCIATED MINISTRIES OF TACOMA-PIERCE 'COUNTY

DANIEL L. ALLEN, ARTHUR L. FREDERICK, NORMAN. R. LAWSON, RUSSELL E. MYERS AND MICHAEL K. ROGERS, all of whom are over the age of twenty-one years and citizens of the United. States, do hereby associate themselves for the purpose of forming a corporation under the provisions of the Washington Non-profit Corporation Act being R.C.W., Chapter 24.04, and for that purpose do hereby adopt and certify, in triplicate, the following as Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

# Article I

The name of the corporation shall be

## THE ASSOCIATED MINISTRIES OF TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY

#### Article II

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual unless dissolved pursuant to law.

## Article III

The principal office of the corporation and its Post Office address shall be 1311 South M Street, Tacoma, Washington 98405. The registered agent is Bruce E. Foreman.

#### Article IV

The objects and purposes for which said corporation is formed are as follows:

- 1. To manifest the essential oneness in Christ of the Christian Churches in Pierce County and to cultivate the spirit of unity.
- 2. To unite Churches and individual Christians in efforts affecting the moral, social and religious welfare of the people of Pierce County, and to cooperate with all men of good will in accomplishing these ends.
- 3. In furtherance of the basic purposes of the corporation:
  - a) To do all the things reasonable, necessary and proper for the accomplishment of the basic purposes of the corporation as set forth above.
  - b) To own, buy, sell, rent, lease, mortgage or otherwise acquire and dispose of real and personal property.
  - c) To borrow money and to issue its notes as evidence thereof, and to secure the same by mortgage or pledge of any or all of its assets.

#### Article V

The corporation is not organized for profit and shall not have and shall not issue corporate stock, and no part of the net earnings or the accumulated assets of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member of the corporation or any other individual, and upon dissolution of the corporation, all of its assets shall be distributed to the participating religious denominations which enjoy tax exempt status in equitable proportions as may be determined by the General Board.

# Article VI

Each member of the corporation shall have one vote for the election of officers and such other matters as may be prescribed by the By-Laws of the corporation and tile laws: of the State of Washington.

#### Article VII

The number of trustees of this corporation shall be as provided in the By-Laws. The names and post office addresses of the first *trustees*, who shall be five in number and who shall manage the affairs of the corporation until February 1, 1970, or *until* their successor *trustees* are elected by the members, are as follows:

Norman R. Lawson, 423 South K Street, Tacoma, Washington 98405

Russell E. Myers, 6852 McKinley Avenue, Tacoma, Washington 98404

Daniel L. Allen, First Baptist Church, 902 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402

Michael K. Roger, 3416 North 19th, Tacoma, Washington 98406

# Article VIII

Before transacting any business of acquiring any property the members of the corporation shall meet and adopt By-Laws. The incorporators of this corporation shall constitute the original membership for this purpose. The vote of a majority of all of the members of the corporation shall be necessary to the adoption of By-Laws, and when adopted they shall be written in a book to be kept by the corporation. The By-Laws shall prescribe how they may be amended.

# Article IX

The corporation shall be autonomous in relation to other organizations but shall be able to enter into such relationships as may be beneficial to itself as determined by the GeneralBoard.

# Article X

Roberts Rules of Order, latest edition, shall be the governing procedures of any meetings of the corporation except as otherwise provided for in these Articles of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the corporation.

## Article XI

These Articles may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at any meeting of the Assembly, provided that thirty days notice of any proposed change shall have been distributed in writing to all members of the corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the incorporators hereinabove named have hereunto set their hands in triplicate, this <a href="mailto:22\_day">22\_day</a> of <a href="mailto:July">July</a>, <a href="mailto:1969">1969</a>

(Hand Signed by Incorporators)

Arthur Frederick Russell E. Hyers Dan Allen

Norman R. Lawson