

# ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT (Non-profit)

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To the Secretary of State of the State of Idaho

43	Pursuant to Title 30, Chapter 3, Idaho Code, the undersigned non-profit corporation amends its articles of incorporation as follows:
1. TI	ne name of the corporation is:
	Mountain Lamp Idaho, INC.
2. Tł	ne text of each amendment is as follows:
	See a Hachment:
	3 amendments adopted: page 1 page 4 page 5
	as required by the IRS to receive 561-(c)-(3) Status
	e date of adoption of the amendment(s) was: $4 - 16 - 03$
	Each amendment consists exclusively of matters which do not require member approval pursuant to section 30-3-90, Idaho Code, and was, therefore, adopted by the board of directors. (Please fill spaces below)  a. The number of directors entitled to vote was:  b. The number of directors that voted for each amendment was:  c. The number of directors that voted against each amendment was:
X	The amendment consists of matters other than those described in section 30-3-90, Idaho Code, and was, therefore adopted by the members. (Please fill spaces below)
	a. The number of members entitled to vote was:
	b. The number of members that voted for each amendment was:  Customer Acct #:
	c. The number of members that voted against each amendment was:  O  (if using pre-paid account)  Secretary of State use only each amendment was:
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# Articles of Association for Mountain Lamp Idaho

#### Article 1: Name

A. The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of this (non-profit corporation) is **Mountain Lamp Idaho**, The name of the nam

### Article 2: Purpose

- A. Mountain Lamp Idaho [also referred to as the 'Community' or MLI] is organized for religious, educational, charitable, and cultural purposes. It exists to support the practice and tradition of mindfulness and Buddhist meditation as exemplified by the teaching of Thich Nhat Hanh and other Zen Buddhist teachers.
- B. Amendment adopted 4/10/03 As required by the IRS for 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status:
- Mountain Lamp Idaho is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and religious purposes, within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code for corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.]

# Article 3: Terms of Incorporation/Association

A. As defined by the "Articles of Incorporation-Non-profit" by the Secretary of State, State of ldaho.

## Article 4: Membership

- A. Participation in any Mountain Lamp Idaho activity is open to anyone, regardless of membership status, unless an event is specified 'for members only' by the Board or the Community.
- B. Categories of Membership: There are four categories of membership:
  - 1. Regular Member: A Regular Member is anyone who commits to:
  - al active meditation practice
  - b] At least three consecutive months of regular participation in Mountain Lamp Idaho activities
  - c] financial support as determined by the Community.
  - 2. Supporting Member: A Supporting Member makes a commitment to contribute financially to support Mountain Lamp Idaho, but doesn't regularly attend MLI events.
  - 3. Associate Member: An Associate Member pays a small fee to receive newsletters and other mailings.
  - 4. Friend: A Friend of Mountain Lamp Idaho is someone who actively participates in events, but hasn't committed to regular membership.

#### C. Rights and Duties:

1. Eligibility requirements for Service: a] Only Regular Members may participate in consensus decisions. b] Regular Members may hold service positions as defined by

# Article 7: Community Teacher

A. Responsibilities: The Community Teacher shall direct the spiritual training of Mountain Lamp

Idaho, and shall be a voting Regular Member of the community.

B. Contract: The Community shall select a committee, or ask the Board, to be responsible for negotiating a contract renewal with the Community Teacher, and bringing the contract to the general Membership for ratification. Upon the death, resignation, non-renewal of contract, or removal of the Community Teacher, the Board may initiate a teacher selection search and selection process in conjunction with the general Membership.

C. Removal: The Community Teacher may be removed from office by the affirmative vote of twothirds (2/3) of the full Regular Membership at any regular or special meeting called for that purpose. Call for a hearing may be initiated by vote of one half (1/2) of Regular Membership. The hearing shall not be held less than thirty days and not more than sixty days after the Teacher has been notified in writing. The Community Teacher shall have the right to be represented, to present evidence in her or his own behalf, and to address witnesses against him or her. An audio and written record shall be made of the hearing, which will be open to all Regular Members

#### Article 8: Fiscal

- A. Bank Account: MLI will have a bank account maintained by the Treasurer.
- B. The financial year is January 1 through December 31.
- C. Non-profit Status: The Treasurer will maintain needed paperwork to maintain non-profit status.
- D. Membership Support: The Treasurer will bill for and oversee collection of membership support. Dues will be determined at the Annual Meeting by the general Membership.
- E. Financial Records: Financial records for the Community will be maintained by the Treasurer and will be available to any member.
- F. Annual Budget: The Treasurer and Board of Facilitators will decide upon an annual budget to be presented at the Annual Community Meeting.
- G. Amendment adopted 4/10/03: As required by the IRS for 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status:
- No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of Section 501[c][3] purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on [a] by a corporation exempt from

Federal income tax under Section 501[c][3] of the Internal Revenue Code [or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.]

- H. Amendment adopted 4/10/03: As required by the IRS for 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status:
- ❖ Upon dissolution of this corporation assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501[c][3] of the Internal Revenue Code, i.e., charitable, educational, religious ,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.

# Article 9: Agents and Representatives

A. The Board or Regular Membership may appoint agents and representatives of the corporation with such powers and to perform such acts or duties on behalf of the corporation as authorized by law.

#### Article 10: Amendments

A These by-laws may be amended by any meeting of the Community Membership with a quorum of two thirds (2/3) of all Regular Members, which is duly called for that purpose. In accordance with Article 6.F., written notices of the meeting must include specification of proposed by-laws changes.