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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
EARLHAM IOWA
To
The Public

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Pearl E. Shetterly, Recorder

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
EARLHAM, Iowa.

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, being thereunto duly authorized by the members of the Presbyterian Church of Earlham, Iowa, an unincorporated association, do hereby certify that we have associated ourselves together as a body corporated under chapter three hundred ninety-four, title nineteen, of the 1939 Code of Iowa, and the laws amendatory thereto, and have adopted for ourselves, our associates and successors the following articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE 1.

The name of this corporation shall be the FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EARLHAM, IOWA.

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ARTICLE 2.

The object of this corporation shall be the promotion of the Christian religion according to the usages and tenets of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A.

ARTICLE 3.

The members of this corporation shall be the members of said church duly admitted thereto from time to time, as shown by the records thereof.

ARTICLE 4.

The members of this corporation reserve to themselves the control of its purely spiritual and charitable affairs, but its secular affairs shall be conducted by a board of five trustees. Such trustees for the first year shall be G. D. Jackson, R. B. Hunter, M. O. Compton, R. M. Kelsey and Gale Marston, and their successors shall be chosen by the members at their annual meeting to be held in the month of March, of which two weeks' notice shall be given by announcement from the pulpit at regular Sunday service, or, if there is no such service, by posting such notice on the front door of the church. Such trustees shall hold their office for three years and until their successors are elected, and they shall, at such annual meetings, make a report in writing of their doings for the preceding year.

ARTICLE 5.

The trustees, at their first meeting after the annual election shall from their own number elect a president and, from their own number or otherwise, a secretary and treasurer. These officers shall hold their offices for three years, and until their successors are elected, and they shall perform the duties usually pertaining to their respective offices.

ARTICLE 6.

Vacancies in the board of trustees shall be filled by the remaining members of such board.

ARTICLE 7.

The members of this corporation, in order to control its Spiritual and charitable affairs shall delegate the powers, duties and responsibilities thereof to a board of seven elders to be chosen by the members at the said annual meeting. Said elders for the first year shall be C. C. Godby, D. S. Ralston, Milo Brown, W. F. Price, Frank Junkin, R. W. Godby and S.J. Strong.

ARTICLE 8.

All conveyances of real property to this corporation shall be taken in the corporate name, and any such property owned by this corporation may be sold and conveyed by said trustees only when they shall be thereunto authorized by a majority of the members assembled to consider the subject of such sale, after two weeks special notice given as prescribed in article four hereof. All instruments in writing authorized by the corporation shall be signed by the president with the corporate name, and attested by the secretary.

ARTICLE 9.

The private property of the members of this corporation shall not be liable for the corporate debts.

ARTICLE 10.

These articles may be amended by the vote of a majority of the members present at any regular or special meeting duly called, provided notice of such proposed amendment has been given for the time and in the manner prescribed in Article four hereof.

Witness our hands this 2nd day of August A.D. 1945.

G. D. Jackson
Gale Marston
R. M. Kelsey

R. B. Hunter
M. O. Compton

STATE OF IOWA, MADISON COUNTY, SS.

On this 2nd day of August A.D. 1945, before me, a Notary Public within and for the County of Madison and State of Iowa, personally appeared G. D. Jackson, Gale Marston, R. M. Kelsey, R. B. Hunter and M. O. Compton to me personally known to be the identical persons named in

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and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same as their voluntary act and deed for the purposes therein expressed.

NOTARY PUBLIC TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal notarial
the 24th day of last above written.

Anna Corman NOTARY PUBLIC
IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, IOWA.