To: Alaska Public Offices Commission

From: Alaskans for Better Elections, Inc., Complainant

Re: Complainant's Second Supplement in Support of APOC Complaint 23-01-CD

Against Alaskans for Honest Elections, Alaskans for Honest Government, the Ranked Choice Education Association, Wellspring Ministries, Phillip Izon, and Art

Mathias.

### **Respondents:**

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### I. Introduction

Complainant hereby supplements its original complaint (23-01-CD) and first supplement with additional materials and information that were not in its possession and/or it was unaware of when the first supplement was filed on July 12, 2023.

# II. <u>Supplemental Information Regarding Allegations Against Wellspring Ministries, the Ranked Choice Education Association, and Alaskans for Honest Elections.</u>

In a letter dated July 20, 2023, counsel for Art Mathias, Wellspring Ministries, the Ranked Choice Education Association ("the RCEA"), and Alaskans for Honest Elections ("AHE") asserted that the RCEA was not an auxiliary "Faith Based Organization" of Wellspring *Ministries*, but is in fact an auxiliary "Faith Based Organization" of "Wellspring Fellowship of Alaska" ("Wellspring Fellowship"). Complainant agrees that the RCEA was incorporated as an auxiliary "church" of Wellspring Fellowship rather than Wellspring Ministries. But this raises far more questions than it answers, and further confirms the underlying allegations against Respondents in the original Complaint.

The RCEA is an auxiliary "church" of Wellspring Fellowship that was formed in the State of Washington on December 16, 2022.<sup>3</sup> Wellspring Fellowship is another "church" that was also formed in the State of Washington approximately one week earlier on December 8, 2022.<sup>4</sup> Mr. Mathias is the President of Wellspring Ministries, <sup>5</sup> Wellspring

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Exhibit HHH, Letter from Kevin G. Clarkson to Thomas R. Lucas (July 20, 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See APOC Complaint 23-01-CD at 14.

See Exhibit B, RCEA Articles of Incorporation (Dec. 16, 2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Exhibit III, Wellspring Fellowship of Alaska Articles of Incorporation (Dec. 8, 2022).

See Exhibit F, Wellspring Biennial Report at 1 (Aug. 10, 2021) (showing that Mr. Mathias is the President and Treasurer of Wellspring Ministries).

Fellowship,<sup>6</sup> and the RCEA.<sup>7</sup> Additionally, all three of those entities share the same address of Wellspring Ministries,<sup>8</sup> and nearly all of Wellspring Fellowship's directors appear to also be identical to the directors for Wellspring Ministries.<sup>9</sup> Taken together, the connections between these three "Faith Based Organization[s]" appear to show an additional level of intentional obfuscation about who is actually funding AHE's efforts.<sup>10</sup>

Additionally, it appears that Mr. Mathias may himself consider Wellspring Ministries to be one and the same as Wellspring Fellowship. In audio from a Preserve Democracy event that occurred at Bell's Nursery on February 9, 2023, a male who appears to be Mr. Mathias urged those in attendance to join him at "Wellspring Ministries" to sign AHE's 22AKHE petition booklets on the following Thursday night.<sup>11</sup> At the very least, this audio further confirms that: (1) Wellspring Ministries: (2) Wellspring Fellowship; (3) the RCEA, and (4) AHE have all been working together to help gather signatures for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Exhibit III, Wellspring Fellowship Articles of Incorporation at 2 (listing Mr. Mathias as the President of Wellspring Fellowship).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Exhibit B, RCEA Articles of Incorporation at 2.

See Exhibit F, Wellspring Biennial Report at 1 (listing its address at 2511Sentry Drive, Suite 200, Anchorage, AK 99507); Exhibit III, Wellspring Fellowship Articles of Incorporation at 6 (same); Exhibit B, RCEA Articles of Incorporation at 6 (same).

Compare Exhibit III, Wellspring Fellowship Articles of Incorporation at 2 (listing Mr. Mathias, Patrick Hadley, and Monica Mosier as directors), with Exhibit F, Wellspring Biennial Report at 1 (listing Mr. Mathias, Patrick Hadley, and Monica Mosier as directors). Ms. Mosier also appears to be the Secretary for Wellspring Ministries. See Exhibit F, Wellspring Biennial Report at 1.

See APOC Complaint 23-01-CD at 2-4, 7, 13-15, 17-24.

See Exhibit JJJ to Affidavit of Samuel G. Gottstein (July 25, 2023).

22AKHE.<sup>12</sup> Furthermore, Complainant recommends that Wellspring Fellowship be added as a Respondent to this Complaint. Wellspring Ministries should still be listed as a Respondent since it apparently houses the other two entities (Wellspring Fellowship and the RCEA) and was involved in AHE's signature gathering efforts to an unknown degree.

### III. CONCLUSION

This supplemental information further confirms that Respondents have gone to great lengths to hide who is funding AHE's efforts. Complainant requests that APOC Staff consider this additional supplemental information when conducting its investigation into the serious allegations in this complaint.

CASHION GILMORE & LINDEMUTH Attorneys for Complainant, Alaskans for Better Elections, Inc.

DATE: July 25, 2023 By:

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Preserve Democracy's activities supporting AHE and 22AKHE is the subject of a separate APOC Complaint. *See* APOC Complaint 23-02-CD.

### AFFIDAVIT OF SAMUEL G. GOTTSTEIN

STATE OF ALASKA	)
	) s:
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT	)

I, Samuel G. Gottstein, being first duly sworn and deposed, hereby state as follows:

- 1. I am an attorney representing Complainant Alaskans for Better Elections, Inc. in APOC Complaint 23-01-CD against Respondents Alaskans for Honest Elections ("AHE"), Alaskans for Honest Government ("AHG"), the Ranked Choice Education Association ("RCEA"), Wellspring Ministries ("Wellspring"), Phillip Izon, and Art Mathias.
- 2. After the First Supplement in Support of APOC Complaint 23-01-CD was filed on July 12, 2023, I received an audio file from a Preserve Democracy ("PD") event at Bell's Nursery that occurred on February 9, 2023. I had not received or listened to this audio file before filing the First Supplement in Support of APOC Complaint 23-01-CD. I subsequently listened to that nearly thirty-five (35) minute audio file, and had an audio clip created from that longer audio file. I also took notes, and created a rough transcription, of this shorter audio clip on February 19, 2023. The audio clip has been included in Complainant's Second Supplement in Support of APOC Complaint 23-01-CD
- 3. Attached as Exhibit JJJ to the above-referenced Second Supplement is a true and correct copy of the audio clip from the 35-minute audio file described above.

Exhibit JJJ begins at approximately 29:43 of the original audio, and goes until approximately 30:23.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

Samuel G. Gottstein Alaska Bar No. 1511099

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on this 25 day of July, 2023, at Anchorage, Alaska.

NOTARY PUBLIC \*

No ary Public in and for Alaska
My Commission Expires: 45/2

### KEVIN G. CLARKSON

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July 20, 2023

#### VIA E-MAIL

Thomas R. Lucas
Campaign Disclosure Coordinator
Alaska Public Offices Commission
Department of Administration
State of Alaska
2221 E. Northern Lights Blvd., Rm. 128
Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Re: Document and Information Requests to Art Mathias, Wellspring Ministries; Ranked Choice Education Association and Alaskans for Better Elections

Dear Mr. Lucas:

I am an attorney representing Mr. Art Mathias, Wellspring Ministries, Ranked Choice Education Association, and Alaskans for Honest Elections (hereafter "Respondents") with respect to your July 12, 2023, correspondence (e-mail and letter) requesting documents and information as part of your investigation related to the complaint filed with the Alaska Public Offices Commission by Alaskans for Better Elections. Respondents understand that it is APOC's obligation to investigate the complaint and they wish to cooperate with you, but at the same time they must insist on preserving their legal rights.

ABE's allegations are in large part based upon its misunderstanding of the various organizations named in it's complaint and the relationships (or lack thereof) that those organizations have (or do not have) with each other and with the individuals named in the complaint. I will identify ABE's misconceptions for you as I respond to your requests, and I will endeavor to correct ABE's errors. I have set your requests out below in bold and then provided a response following each request.

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### JULY 12, 2023, E-MAIL APPARENTLY DIRECTED TO ART MATHIAS, WELL SPRING MINISTRIES AND RANKED CHOICE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

1. Ranked Choice Education Association's articles of incorporation indicate that it is tax exempt and an integrated auxiliary of Wellspring Ministries. Is Ranked Choice Education Association (RCEA) tax exempt on its own, or has it gained its exemption through a group ruling held by Wellspring Ministries; or is it not tax exempt?

RCEA is a Washington non-profit corporation and a tax-exempt Faith Based Organization under Section 508(C)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code. With all due respect to you and to APOC, RCEA's tax exempt status is not within APOC's jurisdiction, and it is not within your or APOC's purview to investigate or question.

Notwithstanding Respondents' objection to your inquiry about RCEA's tax exempt status, it is willing to provide you with the following information. RCEA is an "auxiliary" of another Faith Based Organization, Wellspring Fellowship (WF"). Contrary to your statement in your request and contrary to ABE's allegations in its complaint, RCEA's articles of incorporation do not state that it is an auxiliary of Wellspring Ministries. RCEA's articles state that it is an "Auxiliary of the Founding Church, Wellspring Fellowship of Alaska" (emphasis added). WF, a Washington non-profit corporation as well as a tax-exempt 508(C)(1)(a) organization (a church), is an entity that exists wholly separate and apart from Wellspring Ministries (emphasis added). WM is an Alaska non-profit corporation and a tax-exempt faith-based organization under Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. WF and WM are two completely separate and independent entities.

Other than making the donations to AHE that were reported to APOC, RCEA is not involved in the efforts to introduce and/or promote 22AKHE in Alaska. RCEA is not a "group" as defined in AS 15.13.400(9)(B) because it is not organized "for the principal purpose of influencing the outcome of one or more elections" nor does it "take action the major purpose of which is to influence the outcome of an election." RCEA, consistent with WF's and RCEA's faith-based purposes, seeks to educate the American public regarding ranked choice voting as a general concept. The fact that RCEA mentions Alaska in its web page and in its educational materials does not mean it is advocating for 22AKHE. Alaska is one of two states that have adopted RCV and as such it is a prime example of how RCV functions and what its effects are on elections. As ABE admits in its complaint, "RCEA's web page does not mention 22AKHE." None of RCEA's published materials reference or directly promote 22AKHE. RCEA's educational activity is directed at several states and jurisdictions in the lower-48 where RCV is being considered. There is nothing improper about RCEA's educational material—like the material of other educational organizations with internet presences—being available on the internet to Alaskans. RCEA's educational activities and speech are protected by the First Amendment and are not prohibited by

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federal law. RCEA is <u>not</u> an IRC Section 501(C)(3) entity—it is an IRC Section 508(C)(1)(a) entity. ABE's allegations about tax code limitations cite sections of the IRC which are applicable solely to IRC Section 501(C)(3) entities.

Despite ABE's salacious allegations about contribution "laundering" and "passthrough," RCEA is an independent IRC Section 508(C)(1)(a) educational organization. Although not required—the so-called "dark money" and "true source" provisions of Alaska campaign finance law apply only to "candidate elections" (see AS 15.13.040(r); AS 15.13.074(b))—AHE and Mr. Mathias voluntarily disclosed, in an effort to be candid with the Alaska public, that Mr. Mathias made the first contribution to RCEA that RCEA then contributed to AHE. It is noteworthy that there are no limitations under Alaska law on the amounts that an individual can contribute to an initiative effort and Mr. Mathias would have been perfectly within the law to contribute those funds to AHE directly. Neither Mr. Mathias nor RCEA subverted or even attempted to subvert any campaign finance law by making the donations in the way that they did. RCEA has since received donations from donors other than Mr. Mathias. ABE's allegations to APOC about "tax deductions" are uninformed and unknowledgeable. The only government agency with jurisdiction to adjudicate federal income tax deductions is the IRS.

For your information, WM also is not involved in the efforts to introduce and/or promote 22AKHE in Alaska. WM likewise is not a "group" under AS 15.13.400(9)(B) because it is not organized "for the principal purpose of influencing the outcome of one or more elections" nor does it "take action the major purpose of which is to influence the outcome of an election." WM simply owns the building and real property located at 2511 Sentry Drive in Anchorage, Alaska and rents a mail depository and office presence to RCEA. Nothing about WM's rental relationship with RCEA, two entities that are not engaged in promoting 22AKHE, is within APOC's jurisdiction.

### 2. Please provide Wellspring Ministries's bank records (including all cancelled checks) for the period, November 1, 2022 through June 31, 2023.

WM objects to this request in its entirety. WM is not involved in the effort to introduce or promote 22AKHE and is not a group within the meaning of AS 15.13.400(9)(B). WM is simply an FBO that is incorporated as a non-profit in Alaska and that is registered as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. WM has done nothing to place itself within APOC's jurisdiction. The simple fact that WM owns property and rents some small modicum of an office presence along with a mail depository to RCEA, another FBO entity that is not involved in the effort to introduce or promote 22AKHE (other than making monetary donations) does not subject WM to APOC's jurisdiction. WM and RCEA are not organizationally related.

Both WM and RCEA have First Amendment rights to free exercise of religion, free speech, and free association that APOC's requests burden and threaten to impinge.

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3. It appears that RCEA and Wellspring Ministries share the same physical address - 2511 Sentry Drive, Suite 200, Anchorage, Alaska, 99507. What, if anything, does Wellspring Ministries provide to RCEA at this physical address? Your response should include, among other things, equipment, supplies and floor space. For anything provided, please state whether it is provided free of charge or if RCEA pays for what is provided.

As explained above, WM is <u>not</u> involved in the efforts to introduce or promote 22AKHE and is not a group under AS 15.13.400(9)(B). RCEA merely rents a modicum of an office presence and a mail depository in WM's building. RCEA is <u>not</u> involved in the efforts to introduce or promote 22AKHE and is not a group under AS 15.13.400(9)(B). Nothing about WM's and RCEA's relationship subjects them to APOC's jurisdiction. WM and RCEA are not organizationally related.

#### JULY 12, 2023, LETTER ADDRESSED TO ART MATHIAS

1. Please identify all contributions you have personally made to Alaskans for Honest Elections (AHE) by amount and date made.

Mr. Mathias has not at this time personally made contributions to AHE.

2. Please identify all contributions you have personally made to Ranked Choice Education Association by amount and date made.

Contributions to RCEA are not subject to APOC's jurisdiction. Nonetheless, Mr. Mathias has already voluntarily disclosed to APOC and the Alaska public that he contributed funds to RCEA, and back in December 2022 provided APOC a copy of his check making that transfer.

3. Please produce all books, records and other documents created in connection with each contribution identified in requests 1 and 2 above.

See answers to 1 and 2 above.

4. Please provide contact information to include phone number and email address.

Art Mathias 11781 Bar Rd. 99516

Sincerely,

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Secretary of State
State of Washington
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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION UBI No: 604 999 351 WELLSPRING FELLOWSHIP OF ALASKA

#### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the Nonprofit Religious Corporation is <u>WELLSPRING FELLOWSHIP OF</u>
<u>ALASKA</u>. Its existence shall be perpetual.

### **ARTICLE II**EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of incorporation shall be: upon filing by the Secretary of State.

### ARTICLE III TYPE OF NONPROFIT CORPORATION

The corporation is a church, a <u>Nonprofit Religious Corporation</u>. The Nonprofit Corporation is a Charitable Nonprofit as defined by RCW 24.03A.010(5). The Nonprofit Corporation's Gross Revenue did not exceed \$500,000 in the most recent fiscal year, RCW 24.03A.960(2)(a)(b).

#### ARTICLE IV MEMBERS

The nonprofit will not have members or members with voting rights.

#### ARTICLE V PURPOSE AND MISSION

The purpose and mission of WELLSPRING FELLOWSHIP OF ALASKA is 1) to promote Christian doctrines; 2) to establish and oversee places of worship; 3) to evangelize worldwide; 4) support missionary activities, license and ordain ministers of the gospel; 5) the preservation of the truth; 6) Train, develop, and support leaders in our community and nation as called for in our beliefs, and 7) to engage in activities necessary for the accomplishment of the purpose.

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### **ARTICLE VI**GENERAL POWERS

Section 1. All property held by the above named Religious Corporation, shall be held in trust for the use, purpose, benefit, and behoove of the incorporated Faith Based Organization herein named.

Section 2. The above-named Religious Corporation, shall, for the purpose of the organization, have the power to contract in the same manner and to the same extent as natural men and women, and may sue and be sued, and may defend in all courts and places. In all matters and proceedings whatever, the organization herein named shall have authority to borrow money and to give promissory notes therefore, and to secure the payment of the same by mortgage or other lien upon property, real and personal; to buy, sell, lease, mortgage and in every way deal in real and personal property in the same manner as a natural person may, and to appoint legal counsel, licensed and/or unlicensed, to the extent that any legal counsel employed shall be utilized in a capacity to protect the rights of the Religious Corporation and to address all courts in any and all litigious matters whether National or International.

Section 3. The Corporation shall have all authority granted in the Washington State Constitution Article One, Section 7 and 11 and the Washington State Nonprofit Corporation Act including, but not limited to RCW 24.03A as well as all rights guaranteed in Federal Law through the First Amendment, 26 U.S.C. (Internal Revenue Code) § 508(c)(1)(a), § 6033(a) (3), and the Religious Freedom Restoration Act 42 U.S.C Chapter 21B § 2000.

#### ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The management of the corporation shall be vested in a board of no fewer than three (3) directors. The number, qualifications, terms of office, manner of election, time and place of meeting, and powers and duties of the directors shall be fixed by the Bylaws of this corporation.

Section 2. The names and addresses of the Board of Directors who will manage the affairs of the corporation until their successors are selected as provided in the Bylaws are:

Dr. Art Mathias, President 2511 Sentry Dr., Ste. 200, Anchorage, AK, 99507

Patrick Hadley, Director 2511 Sentry Dr., Ste. 200, Anchorage, AK, 99507

Gayle Hadley, Director 2511 Sentry Dr., Ste. 200, Anchorage, AK, 99507

Monica Mosier, Director 2511 Sentry Dr., Ste. 200, Anchorage, AK, 99507

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### ARTICLE VIII INSTRUCTIONS FOR VACANCY

Section 1. The provisions of the Bylaws of the Corporation shall govern the manner in which the Directors of the Corporation shall be elected or appointed.

Section 2. Changes may be made to election or appointment of Directors through amendment to the Articles of Incorporation or stipulation in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### LIMITATION OF DIRECTORS' LIABILITY

Section 1. A director shall have no liability to the corporation for monetary damages for conduct as a director, except for acts or omissions that involve intentional misconduct by the director, or a knowing violation of law by the director, or for any transaction from which the director will personally receive a benefit in money, property or services to which the director is not legally entitled.

Section 2. If the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act is hereafter amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a director shall be eliminated or limited to the full extent permitted by the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act, as so amended.

Section 3. Any repeal or modification of this Article shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification for or with respect to an act or omission of such director occurring prior to such repeal or modification.

### ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. Right to Indemnification of Directors and Officers. Each person who was, or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved (including, without limitation, as a witness) in any actual or threatened action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of the corporation or, while a director or officer, he or she is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the corporation, to

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the full extent permitted by applicable law as then in effect, against all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts to be

paid in settlement) actually and reasonably incurred or suffered by such person in connection therewith, and such indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and administrators. The right to indemnification conferred in this Section 1 shall be a contract right and shall include the right to be paid by the corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition.

Section 2. Non-exclusivity of Rights. The right to indemnification and the payment of expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition conferred in this Article shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, agreement, or vote of disinterested directors or otherwise.

Section 3. Insurance, Contracts and Funding. The corporation may maintain insurance at its expense, to protect itself and any director, trustee, officer, employee or agent of the corporation or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under RCW 24.03A.540 of the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act, or any successor provisions, and RCW 23B.08.510 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, or any successor provisions. The corporation may enter into contracts with any director or officer of the corporation in furtherance of the provisions of this Article and may create a trust fund, grant a security interest or use other means (including, without limitation, a letter of credit) to ensure the payment of such amounts as may be necessary to effect indemnification as provided in this Article.

Section 4. Indemnification of Employees and Agents of the Corporation. The corporation may, by action of its Board of Directors from time to time, provide indemnification and pay expenses in advance of the final disposition of a proceeding to employees and agents of the corporation with the same scope and effect as the provisions of this Article with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses of directors and officers of the corporation or pursuant to rights granted pursuant to, or provided by, the Washington Business Corporation Act, as applied to nonprofit corporations, or otherwise.

#### ARTICLE XI BYLAWS

The authority to make, alter, amend, or repeal the Bylaws of this corporation is vested in the Board of Directors, and may be exercised in a manner set forth in the Bylaws of the corporation.

### ARTICLE XII DISTRIBUTION UPON DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the legal liabilities of the corporation, all assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of 26 U.S.C. § 508 (c)(1)(a) or § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction 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.

### ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENTS

The authority to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation is vested solely in the Board of Directors, and may be exercised at any regular or special meeting of the board.

### ARTICLE XIV PUBLIC INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS

The Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation shall be kept at the principal place of business or registered agent address. All other records of accounts and finances, minutes of the proceedings of its Boards and any minutes which may be maintained by committees of the Board; records of the names and post office addresses of its officers and Directors, and such other records as may be necessary or advisable are protected under The First Amendment, 26 U.S.C. § 508, 26 U.S.C. § 6033(a)(3), and 42 U.S.C Chapter 21B § 2000. All such records shall not be open for public inspection.

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### ARTICLE XV REGISTERED AGENT OFFICE AND CONSENT

NORTHWEST CORPORATE SERVICES does hereby consent to serve as the initial Registered Agent in the State of Washington for WELLSPRING FELLOWSHIP OF ALASKA.

The name and street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

NORTHWEST CORPORATE SERVICES 3501 South 38<sup>th</sup> Street #109 Tacoma, WA 98409

I consent to serve as registered agent in the State of Washington for the above named corporation. I understand it will be my responsibility to accept Service of Process on behalf of the corporation; to forward mail to the corporation; and to immediately notify the Office of the Secretary of State if I resign or change the Registered Office Address.

Signature of Registered Agent Printed Name Date

### ARTICLE XVI PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The principal place of business is: 2511 Sentry Dr., Ste. 200, Anchorage, AK, 99507

#### ARTICLE XVII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Northwest Corporate Services 3501 S. 38<sup>th</sup> St. #109 Tacoma, WA 98409

Date 12-8-202

Dan Peterson, Incorporator agent for NWCS

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## PLACEHOLDER FOR ATTACHED ELECTRONIC FILE

[Exhibit JJJ - 2023.02.09 PD Event (29\_43-30\_23).mp3]