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**The State of South Carolina** **CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION**  
 EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT **BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE**

WHEREAS, G. SIDNEY GARRETT, Mauldin, S. C.  
 C. AARON LEAPARD, Rt. 6, Greenville, S. C.  
 FRANCIS D. THOMPSON, Rt. 4, Greenville, S. C.

two or more of the officers or agents appointed to supervise or manage the affairs of

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MAULDIN, SOUTH CAROLINA

which has been duly and regularly organized, did on the 16th day of

October, A. D. 61, file with the Secretary of State a written declaration setting forth:

That, at a meeting of the aforesaid organization held pursuant to the by-laws or regulations of the said organization, they were authorized and directed to apply for incorporation.

That, the said organization holds, or desires to hold, property in common for Religious, Educational, Social, Fraternal, Charitable or other eleemosynary purpose, or any two or more of said purposes, and is not organized for the purpose of profit or gain to the members, otherwise than is above stated, nor for the insurance of life, health, accident or property; and that three days' notice in the Greenville-Piedmont, a newspaper published in the County of Greenville, has been given that the aforesaid Declaration would be filed.

AND WHEREAS, Said Declarants and Petitioners further declared and affirmed:

FIRST: Their names and residences are as above given.

SECOND: The name of the proposed Corporation is THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MAULDIN, SOUTH CAROLINA

THIRD: The place at which it proposes to have its headquarters or be located is Mauldin, South Carolina

FOURTH: The purpose of the said proposed Corporation is to foster and maintain public worship, to carry out the Great Commission of Jesus Christ, and to promote Christian fellowship and growth among its members, and to exercise the powers enumerated in Section 12-101 of the 1952 Code of Laws of South Carolina with exception of No.'s 6 & 7, and to exercise the powers enumerated in Section 12-758 of the 1952 Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina.

FIFTH: The names and residences of all Managers, Trustees, Directors or other officers are as follows:

G. Sidney Garrett	Mauldin, S. C.	Chairman
Francis D. Thompson	Rt. 6, Greenville, S. C.	Vice Chairman
Aaron Leopard	Rt. 4, Greenville, S. C.	Sec. & Treas.

SIXTH: That they desire to be incorporated: in perpetuity

NOW, THEREFORE, I, O. FRANK THORNTON, Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested, by Chapter 12, Title 12, Code of 1952, and Acts amendatory thereto, do hereby declare the said organization to be a body politic and corporate, with all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities, and subject to all the limitations and liabilities, conferred by said Chapter 12, Title 12, Code of 1952, and Acts amendatory thereto.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the State, at Columbia, this 16th day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and 61 and in the one hundred and 86th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

*O. Frank Thornton*  
 Secretary of State.



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