LOUISIANA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, INC.

A Statement of Relationship to the Louisiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church

Historical Origin:

The authorization to create the Institution now known as Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc. was resolved at the Forty-Seventh Session of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held in Alexandria, LA, December 18-22, 1902. The resolution was introduced to the Conference by Reverend C. C. Wier who is credited with being the founder. This Institution was originally Chartered as Louisiana Methodist Orphanage. Bishop Key appointed the original Orphan's Home Board. The Board was empowered to receive donations and to locate a site for the domicile of the Orphanage.

Present Ownership and Operating Authority:

Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc. is a non-profit corporation organized pursuant to the State of Louisiana Non-Profit Corporation Law. The ownership of all property, immovable and movable, owned in the name of the Corporation shall be in trust, and said property shall be kept, maintained and disposed of for the benefit of The United Methodist Church and subject to the usages and the Discipline of the United Methodist Church, and administered by the Corporation through its Board for the Louisiana Annual Conference. It is specifically declared and provided that this trust is administrative and general but shall otherwise not affect in any manner the power and authority of the Board of this Corporation, as referred to in Articles 7 and 9 of this Corporation's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, 2000.

The property, business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board and all corporate power and authority thereof shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall consist of not fewer than five nor more than 30 natural persons, who shall be elected by the Louisiana Annual Conference, based on nominations from the Board of Directors of the Corporation. In addition, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall have the power to designate not more than 10 Ex-Officio members of the Board of Directors pursuant to such qualifications as may be determined by the Board.

An Annual Report shall be submitted to the Conference Office of Administrative Services. An Annual Audit shall be submitted to the Conference Council on Finance and Administration.

Funding:

Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc. is designated a Conference Advance Specials recipient and as such is allowed to do cultivation of donors throughout the Louisiana Annual Conference.

An Annual Offering known as the Methodist Foster Care Offering on the Sunday following Mother's Day and an Annual Offering on the Sunday preceding Christmas Day each year shall be promoted and collected in every congregation, Annual Conference wide, with the total proceeds being distributed to Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc. The Conference and Districts will assist with the cultivation and promotion of Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc., by giving it the opportunity to present its needs and cause and making the Louisiana Annual Conference aware of its ministry.

Under no circumstance does the United Methodist Church or the Louisiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church assume any responsibility for the financial obligations of Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc., nor does Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc. assume any responsibility for the financial obligations of the United Methodist Church or the Louisiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc., shall conduct its ministry and activities in such a manner as not to create any obligation or liability on the part of the United Methodist Church and/or the Louisiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. The United Methodist Church and the Louisiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church shall have no obligation or responsibility for, or with respect to, any activity, operations, contract, commitment or liability of Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc.

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Date

Richard Lee Wheat, Jr.

President and CEO

Louisiana United Methodist Children and Family Services, Inc.

February 1, 2022

Date