# RFA Charter and Bylaws

## Declaration of Charter/Bylaws of Redding Forager's Association, a Private Spiritual Church Ministerial Association

For the formation of: **Redding Forager's Association**

**Organization for Spiritual Transformation with Reliance upon our Faith in GOD.** An Unincorporated Spiritual Church Ministry.

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**CHARTER/BYLAWS AND DECLARATION FOR AN UNINCORPORATED SPIRITUAL CHURCH MINISTRY EXECUTED UNDER THE LAWS OF NATURE AND NATURE'S GOD IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIVERSAL CONTRACT LAW**

### Preamble

This Charter/Bylaws and Declaration of an Unincorporated Spiritual Church Ministry, founded as a Private Ministerial Association, henceforth known as Redding Forager's Association, is made this September 1st, 2022, by Founding Trustees Kyle Dall and Miranda Dall, who shall be known as Trustees and Ministers of Redding Forager's Association.

## Section One: Purpose

This association is created and organized to operate within the private domain as a Private Membership Association. The purposes for which it is organized are set forth in the Articles of Association, and in part are as follows: To allow the Private Membership Association founders and all Private Membership Association members with a platform in which to conduct all manner of faith based private business, ministry, education, and services or assistance with the Association and with other Associations and Association members, keeping all business in the private domain and utilizing the protections guaranteed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Constitutions, and the Charter of Rights, to conduct business in private, remaining outside of the jurisdiction of regulation imposed upon legal fictions by government entities and Public Law.

To provide a resource for members to seek, and access, all manner of education, information, services, advice, council, and support consistent with our religious and spiritual freedoms as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States of America, the constitutions of the individual states of the union, and the laws of the United States; To conduct all manner of ministry and any manner of business within the private domain as seen fit by the Association founders and Trustees.

The Spiritual Association/Church/Ministry defined by this Declaration is organized for worship, educational, spiritual freedom, faith and reliance upon GOD, and beneficent purposes, and is established under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Law of Redding Forager's Association, for furthering the uplifting and enlightenment of all people who voluntarily choose to associate with this ministry throughout the World and the betterment of life on planet Earth. Redding Forager's Association must always remain an unincorporated Ministry dedicated to this purpose.

## Section Two: Appointment and Powers of Trustees and Members of the Board of Advisors

1. Upon completion and adoption of these bylaws the founding Ministry Co-Trustees shall serve thereafter as the Trustees of this Ministry, with authority over all affairs of the Ministry, both temporal and spiritual, provided for in these charters and the minutes of Redding Forager's Association.
2. **The Trustee designated as Chairperson shall retain all rights to unlimited contract on behalf of the Ministry and shall retain full authority to designate or delegate powers and duties to Co-Trustees.**
3. The Chairperson may establish and appoint other members, who shall be known as "Advisors," to an Advisory Board. Advisors shall advise the Trustees on any matter affecting the operation of the Ministry and shall hold the duties and authority granted in item 4 of this Section. The Advisory Board shall not otherwise have governing authority over the Ministry or the activities of the Ministry. The Trustees retain final approval of all new members and may veto any vote of the Advisory Board or of the membership.

Co-founding Trustees serve as the stewards and possessors of title of the Ministry's assets, which shall be used for the purposes deemed beneficial to the Ministry at their sole discretion, with or without the advice of the Ministry Advisory Board.

4. **Duties and authority of Advisors.** Advisors shall:
    1. Serve as mentors to new members;
    2. Conduct personal interviews with applicants for membership and recommend a decision to the Trustees;
    3. Approve, assign and oversee internships, including setting the tasks and deadlines for interns;
    4. Review and approve service hours logged by members; and
    5. Vote, together with the Trustees, on changes to the Redding Forager's Code, subject to the Trustees' veto.
5. The Advisors must conserve and minister in accordance with the Tenets, Creed, and Principles of Redding Forager's Association and the principles of Higher Truth in accordance with the best of the Advisors' abilities, exercising judgment and discretion in administering the Advisors' duties in good faith strictly in conformity with the purpose, provisions, spirit, and intent hereof.
6. **Appointment and removal of Advisors.** The Chairperson may appoint Advisors from among members who have completed at least one full membership cycle, from winter solstice to winter solstice, in good standing. There is no minimum number of Advisors, and a vacant seat may remain unfilled. The Chairperson shall seek to maintain an odd number of Advisors so that votes may be decided by majority; in the event of a tied vote, the Chairperson shall cast the deciding vote. The appointed Advisors, together with the Trustees, shall collectively minister the affairs of Redding Forager's Association, an unincorporated Spiritual Church Ministry; PROVIDED, however, that an Advisor may resign, with or without notice, and may be removed from office by a Resolution of at least two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Trustees whenever in the opinion of said majority such Advisor shall have been deemed guilty of acts repugnant to the tenets and precepts of this Ministry; PROVIDED, further, that an Advisor whose membership ends for any reason shall cease to hold the office of Advisor; and PROVIDED, further, that in the event of any vacancy, the remaining Advisors may recommend a successor, whose appointment rests with the Chairperson.
7. The signing of an acknowledgment of acceptance of the office of the Board of Advisors by the Chairperson constitutes investiture as such.
8. Redding Forager's Association is created under powers and authority of the Covenant with the Creator that each peculiar member of Redding Forager's Association possesses. *Redding Forager's Association recognizes unalienable rights, not limited to but recognized as:*
    1. *Acquiring and possessing, by donation, gift, bequest, devise, and purchase, and holding and maintaining, property—real, personal, and mixed—holding title absolute by conveyance, with right for granting, selling, conveying, renting, and otherwise disposing of said property as may be necessary for furthering the objectives of the Ministry, for the use and behalf of Redding Forager's Association forever, in unalloyed temporal and spiritual capacity.*

2. *Exercising seigniorage; borrowing and lending money; giving promissory notes as well as other written obligation therefore by note, and securing the payment thereof by a lien, such as mortgage, upon hereditaments, both corporeal and incorporeal, real, personal, and mixed.*
3. *Buying, selling, leasing, mortgaging, and in every way dealing in land and chattels in the same manner that a natural man may, and without the order of any court.*
4. *Receiving bequests and devises for exclusive use of the Ministry in the same manner as a living, sentient man.*
5. *Appointing, and being appointed as, an attorney in fact.*
6. *Retaining unlimited power of Contract.*
7. *Suing and being sued, pleading, and being pleaded, in tribunals of competent jurisdiction at the discretion of Ministry Trustees.*
8. *Having and using a common seal by which all deeds and acts of the Ministry may be authenticated.*
9. *Exercising any other just, lawful, and ethical rights and powers bestowed upon man by the creator and as may be declared by authority of the Ministry, as established at any time in accordance with the Articles of Association and Charter/Bylaws of Redding Forager's Association.*

9. **Meetings.** The Trustees shall hold regular business meetings four times each year, at or within a reasonable time of each winter solstice, spring equinox, summer solstice and fall equinox, as the schedules of the Trustees and Advisors allow. Members shall be given notice of each regular meeting at least one week in advance by email or text message. Members may attend and share their voice; voting rests with the Trustees and Advisors, except on matters the Trustees and Advisors choose to put to a vote of the membership. The seasonal ceremony honoring new members is held separately from the business meeting. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Trustees, or by a majority of the Advisors upon three (3) days' prior notice to the Trustees and Advisors by email, text message, mail or delivery. At all meetings, a Chairperson or majority of the Board of Advisors is regarded as constituting a quorum for the conduct of business.
10. The powers of the Trustees, any and all Ministry Committees and Tribunals, acting on behalf of the Redding Forager's Association Ministry/Church are absolute, exclusive, and unlimited in all matters in which the Ministry has authority to act, in accordance with the laws of nature and of nature's God and in concert with the ecclesiastical law as interpreted by the Ministry, and are broadly construed as general powers of both natural and artificial inhabitants of planet Earth, under the Laws of God, which permit acting in any manner that it does not cause others harm and does not impair, impede, or infringe upon the unalienable rights granted to another living man. All said powers may be delegated at the sole discretion of the Trustees.
11. Resolutions of the Board of Trustees, or a Chairperson, authorizing the undertaking of a project constitutes evidence that such project is within the Board's power.
12. No one providing the Ministry donations, loans, and payments shall require disclosure and accounting of the application made by the Trustees or Chairperson of whatever funds are received by the Ministry. All funds received by the Ministry shall be managed

and used at the discretion of the Trustees, or their designee, with or without approval of the Advisors, as provided by this Declaration and recorded in the minutes of meeting of the Board of Trustees of Redding Forager's Association. Contributions received from Stewards shall be dedicated to the purposes named in the Steward program, including keeping the Association's website and education freely available, planting and restoration work, and scholarships for events and services, and shall be applied to those purposes at the discretion of the Trustees. The Trustees may, but are not required to, share a voluntary report with Stewards and members on what Steward contributions have accomplished.

13. All Advisors shall serve without posting any security, such as fidelity bonds.
14. The Advisors shall regard this instrument, sacred writings and works of wisdom from diverse sources, Prayer, and the Holy Spirit as their guide, which may be supplemented upon occasion by the By-laws, Regulations, and resolutions of the Board for the purpose of covering contingencies that may arise and which shall be recorded in the Minutes of this Ministry.
15. The Trustees may fix and pay reasonable compensation for any minister, contracted worker, agent, and the like, at the discretion of the Trustees, and the Board of Trustees may pay Trustees reasonable compensation for services performed or, at the discretion of any individual Trustees, may choose to opt for the Trustees, as ministers of the Ministry to accept an ecclesiastical "vow of poverty" in which case the Ministry shall become responsible for providing for all needs of that Trustee, as a minister of Redding Forager's Association, including but not limited to all physical and worldly needs and goods, housing, food, transportation, expenses, and recreation for the comfort and lifestyle maintenance of the Trustee/Minister.
16. The Ministry, through the Trustees, with reliance upon the authority of the Creator and ecclesiastical law as interpreted by the ministry Trustees, shall retain all authority to appoint or ordain ministers for and of this Ministry and shall have sole authority to determine necessary qualifications or traits required of ministers and shall retain sole authority in determining levels of education and education/training requirements for any minister.
17. The Trustees and ministers shall, in their sole capacity as Trustees and ministers have and assume only such liability as is defined by the founding documents of this Ministry and any amendments made to the founding documents in accordance with the ministry Bylaws. Any fiduciary liability shall neither jeopardize nor limit the individual performance of the parties. The Trustees shall be reimbursed and exonerated by this Ministry for any losses occasioned by the Trustees while serving as such, in the same extent as would non-interested persons.
18. The Trustees may, at any meeting, appoint additional Trustees, a Trustee At Large, or Successor Trustees to act on behalf of this Ministry in the event of the death, disability, or incapacity of a Chairperson.
19. The Advisors shall have and possess only such authority as provided in these Bylaws.
20. An Advisor may be ordained and commissioned by this Ministry at the discretion of the Chairperson. An Advisor must be a product of a deep-seated conviction with respect to

God and Nature and is fully committed to seek the Truth through Prayer, Meditation, the Holy Spirit, study of the Holy Bible, communing with Nature and otherwise.

## Section Three: Charter of Redding Forager's Association

1. It is expressly declared that this Ministry, which is established in accordance with the laws of nature and nature's God, Ministry ecclesiastical law, the law of man, the constitution(s) and section 508c1a of title 26 of the United States Code and any equivalent code within any of the several states of the United States of America is an unincorporated private entity.
2. The Ministry terminology used in this charter and its supporting documents is used solely for clarification of the various usages for Redding Forager's Association under universal contract law by and between free, spiritually autonomous, sentient beings whose lives and rights derive from God Almighty, Nature, and the unique Covenant of each party with the Creator.

## Section Four: Name, Domicile, and Offices

The Chairperson and Co-Founding Trustees are collectively designated as the Board of Trustees for Redding Forager's Association, in which name the Chairperson and Co-Trustees may execute and convey personal property and any interest therein, sue and be sued with consent (see Section Seven), and conduct all said business of this Ministry. The principal domicile and place of ministry shall be exclusively determined by the Board of Trustees with subordinate locations as determined to be beneficial to the Ministry.

## Section Five: Venue and Jurisdiction

Excepting chain of title on all land titles, all business and affairs of the Redding Forager's Association Church remain exclusively within the jurisdiction of the laws of nature and nature's God and ecclesiastical law as defined, interpreted, and adjudicated by the designated committees and Tribunals of Redding Forager's Association. Venue and jurisdiction are solely within Ecclesiastical Courts or Tribunals of Redding Forager's Association, and all hearings, proceedings, and trials must be recorded in the records of the Ecclesiastical Court/Tribunal of Redding Forager's Association. All other courts of any jurisdiction foreign to the Courts/Tribunals of Redding Forager's Association lack personal or subject matter jurisdiction to hear or decide any matter of Ecclesiastical Law of Redding Forager's Association.

The eternal Covenant of the Undersigned with the Creator remains paramount in all matters. As it is written: "... we ought to obey God rather than man", Acts 5:29; and "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.", Matt. 6:24.

With the intent of living in peace with all people and living beings in the Kingdom of God, each Trustee and each minister is established as an Ecclesiastical Emissary with neutral,

non-engaged status, and is not involved in any manner with any disputes, conflicts, wars, and declarations of war powers involving any other parties.

*By the authority of the laws of nature and between each Trustee of Redding Forager's Association and members, all Trustees possess such absolute rights and powers as authority for:*

- *Utilizing freely the dominion given to man over the animals of the earth and without interference or sanction from any source, all-natural substances as sacraments, for health, healing, and other purposes in accordance with our faith placed in nature and nature's God.*
- *Issuing for all Members of Redding Forager's Association any permits, licenses, certificates of membership, certificates of ordination, diplomas, certificates of training, or other documents deemed beneficial to Trustees, Ministers, or other members of the Private Ministerial Association within the jurisdiction of ecclesiastical law.*
- *Creating, preserving, maintaining inviolate, and providing full and unalloyed protection and immunity of every kind whatsoever for all who seek spiritual sanctuary within, and abide on the soil of, any land, buildings, and dwellings of Redding Forager's Association, under the exclusive venue and jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Law of Redding Forager's Association. Said protection and immunity secures inviolate all rights regarding privacy, security, and safety of the person, possessions, papers, and effects of guests and all household dwellers against intrusion of any kind from any source.*

## Section Six: Authority and Capacity

Authority for establishing Redding Forager's Association derives exclusively from the absolute, inherent, unalienable right of the Undersigned Trustees, and of each individual Member of the unincorporated spiritual society, Redding Forager's Association, in and through the Life, Being, Conscience, and Consciousness of the Undersigned and each Member of Redding Forager's Association, for recognizing and proclaiming the existence of the eternal Covenant with the immortal, uncreated Source of Life of the Undersigned and of each Member of Redding Forager's Association, concerning which Covenant all Members of Redding Forager's Association owe unalienable allegiance and are bound by conviction, creed, and commitment.

No Member of Redding Forager's Association may under any circumstances, nor for any reason, abrogate the terms of said binding, absolute, inviolable Covenant. Neither do any other parties, beings, entities, governments, corporations sole, corporations aggregate, nor any legal persons of any kind whatsoever, possess ethical and lawful authority for interfering in the relationship between any Member of Redding Forager's Association and God Almighty that is signified by this Declaration, in accord with the prohibition against impairing the obligation of Redding Forager's Association.

The Undersigned and each Member of Redding Forager's Association recognize that every man and woman is a spiritually autonomous unit of free will, sovereignty, self-responsibility, and self-government, and in such capacity may live in accordance with any covenant that such

autonomous beings proclaim as established with any party, being, entity, government, legal person, and the like.

**The sovereign authority and capacity of the Undersigned and each Member of Redding Forager's Association for affirming the existence and establishment of this Ministry is eternally in full force and effect, i.e., *nunc pro tunc*, before the foundation of the world.**

Said Covenant is inviolate and must not be abrogated in any manner by anyone, such as based on unilateral action, presumption, consensus, decree, and the like, any more than the eternal and immutable laws of existence can be invalidated by man.

*As it is written: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." Exodus 20:3.*

## Section Seven: Non-Liability of Members of the Board of Trustees

The Members of the Board of Trustees may not under any circumstances be held liable for liabilities of this Ministry excepting any liability defined within the Bylaws. All people and persons dealing with this Ministry may address only funds and assets of Redding Forager's Association for the payment of any claim, debt, judgment, obligation, as well as of any "money," that may become due and payable in any way regarding Redding Forager's Association. All actions, claims, and suits MUST be adjudicated in the Tribunals of Redding Forager's Association as set forth in this Declaration.

## Section Eight: Assets

All hereditaments and possessions of Redding Forager's Association are the property of God Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and are held in trust and stewardship by the Trustees for the perpetual use, purpose, benefit, behest, and behoof of the peculiar Membership of this unincorporated Private Ministerial Association. If at some time there are no individual Members of Redding Forager's Association holding the Offices of Trustee, all assets are re-vested with the unincorporated Redding Forager's Association and to be held until appointment of successor trustees has been made in accordance with Association Bylaws.

## Section Nine: Distributions

1. The Board of Trustees may set aside any net, non-taxable increase accruing in favor of this Ministry in amounts that the Board, in the Board's sole discretion, deems appropriate for retaining reserves and additional assets of this Ministry.
2. Since this Ministry is world-wide in scope, the Board may set aside such funds for providing spiritual freedom and humanitarian benefit as the Board may decide.

## Section Ten: Execution of Instruments

The Chairperson and Co-Founding Trustees, and their specific designee(s), possess exclusive authority for executing all documents and instruments, such as contracts, conveyances, deeds,

quitclaims, assignments, assignment of any part of the title on assets and property of this Ministry.

## Section Eleven: Succession

By execution of this charter and Bylaws the undersigned Trustees and Managing Chairpersons, and every Successor in Office by the same Title, do hereby create and establish a body politic and a Ministry whose faith and reliance are in Nature and nature's God, with continuous perpetual succession.

In accordance with the disciplines of this unincorporated Ministry, Redding Forager's Association, any vacancy occurring in the administration of Redding Forager's Association must be filled in accordance with the Ministry/Private Ministerial Association Bylaws.

## Section Twelve: Acting as Guarantor

The Trustees, Chairperson, or specified designee, at the discretion of the Trustees, may upon occasion pledge the assets of the Ministry as Guarantor for any person, company, and other legal entity.

## Section Thirteen: Notice of Limited Liability

Notice is hereby given that all people, persons, and entities who extend this Ministry credit, contracting with Redding Forager's Association, as well as having claims against this Ministry, may regard only the property and other assets of this Ministry for payment and for settlement of any claims, debts, judgment (decree), award, and other obligation that may become payable thereunder. The Trustees, Ministers, and other members are not personally liable when dealing with any business matters of this Ministry.

## Section Fourteen: Covenants

Redding Forager's Association, a Private Ministerial Association, establishes for this Ministry a Covenant of Silence. This Covenant of Silence is between the Holder of Office and the individual Members dealing in any secular and spiritual relationship, document, and matter involved in the relationship between the parties, which is considered private and consecrated. The Trustees, Ministers, and Members are required to affirm acceptance and to observe this covenant and keep all private matters private until death.

## Section Fifteen: Termination

Upon the termination of this Ministry for any cause, the Board of Trustees may liquidate the estate of the Ministry, if deemed preferable, by disposing of its properties and assets for such amounts and upon such terms as the Board deems prudent. After discharging all proper lawful obligations of this Ministry, the Board shall distribute in favor of other unincorporated Spiritual Ministries—with goals compatible with the principles and purposes of Redding Forager's

Association—the proceeds and remaining assets in any currency the Board deems appropriate. For these purposes, the Trustees shall continue acting until such duties have been fully performed, whereupon this Ministry shall be finally closed.

## Section Sixteen: Interpretation, Disputes and Claims

1. Regarding any question concerning interpretation and construction of this charter and Declaration of Ministry, including all supporting documents, the Board retains exclusive authority for construing this instrument in accordance with its good-faith construction and retains all right to alter or amend these charter/bylaws by implementation of the minutes of board meeting. Said construction, as stated in the Minutes, shall be final, conclusive, and binding on this Ministry, as well as all other people, persons, and entities excepting only obligations of contract then in place.
2. **This Charter creates a PRIVATE Ministerial Association and Ministry. All interpretations shall be under the Laws of God as interpreted and adjudicated by the Tribunals of Redding Forager's Association. For Guidance, all concerned parties, including dispute resolution committees, arbitration tribunals and courts with jurisdiction granted, may consult appropriate court rulings concerning integrated auxiliaries of a Ministry of this type.**

## Section Seventeen: Savings Clause

If any provision of this Declaration is deemed invalid by competent authority for any reason under circumstances, the remaining provisions shall nevertheless stand and remain in full force and effect.

## Section Eighteen: Membership

1. **Admission.** Membership in Redding Forager's Association is by application or by invitation. The Trustees retain final approval of every new member. Applicants may be interviewed by a Trustee or an Advisor and may be offered an internship before admission. Membership is open only to adults who have reached eighteen years of age; children of members may participate alongside their parents and may apply for membership upon reaching adulthood.
2. **Conditions of membership.** Every member shall affirm the Association's Statement of Faith, agree to live by the Redding Forager's Code, and sign the Membership Agreement. There is no fee to join; membership is a responsibility, not a privilege.
3. **Service.** Every member shall give service to the Association each year, measured in working hours over a cycle running from winter solstice to winter solstice. The number of hours, how hours are counted, logged and approved, the treatment of new members, and leaves of absence shall be set in the Membership Agreement and may be amended by the Trustees.
4. **Standing.** A member whose membership ends for failure to meet the service requirement leaves in good standing and may reapply. A member who violates the

Redding Forager's Code is in bad standing, and the Trustees may end that membership at any time. The Trustees may also end any membership they conclude is contrary or detrimental to the principles and betterment of the Association.

5. **Voice and vote.** Members may attend regular business meetings and share their voice. Members vote on those matters the Trustees and Advisors choose to put to the membership, subject to the Trustees' veto.
6. **Membership Agreement.** The Membership Agreement, including the Statement of Faith and the Redding Forager's Code, sets out the details of membership and may be amended by the Trustees. Changes to the Redding Forager's Code are voted on by the Trustees and Advisors, subject to the Trustees' veto.
7. **Stewards.** The Association may accept financial supporters, known as Stewards, who contribute on a recurring basis in exchange for benefits set by the Trustees. Stewards are supporters, not members: they do not sign the Membership Agreement, hold no vote, and are bound only by the Steward subscription terms. Members receive all Steward benefits without charge.

## Trustee Signatures

**Founding Trustee (Chairperson),**

**Kyle Dall:** _____ Dated: _____

**Founding Trustee,**

**Miranda Dall:** _____ Dated: _____

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