

*ASSOCIATION FOR THE BEATIFICATION  
AND CANONIZATION OF  
FR. ALOYSIUS ELLACURIA, C.M.F*

**STATUTES**

ARTICLE 1

*Title*

This Association is titled “Association for the Beatification and Canonization of Fr. Aloysius Ellacuria, C.M.F.” Hereafter it is referred to as “the Association.” The Association is formed by members of the Catholic faithful, many belonging to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, California.

Civil Articles of Incorporation are with the State of California under California Corporate No. 3543680 dated March 13, 2013. Restated Articles of Incorporation identify the Association as a Religious Corporation organized under the Nonprofit Religious Corporation Law primarily for religious purposes.

These *Statutes* represent governing provisions of the Association and intend to conform with the norms of the Code of Canon Law regarding Private Associations of the Christian Faithful (321-326), under the authority of the Archbishop of Los Angeles, the Most Reverend Jose Gomez, and his successors.

*Offices*

The principal office of the Association shall be located at 3855 Via Reposo in Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92091. Other locations may designated by the Board as necessary. The Annual Meeting of members shall be held every year on June 21st, or closest Saturday, at the principal office of the Association, or at such other time and place as may be determined by the Board.

ARTICLE 2

*Purpose*

This Association has, as its aim and purpose, the following objectives:

- a) To promote the Cause of Beatification and Canonization of Fr. Aloysius Ellacuria, C.M.F. with an appropriate initiative. In this way, the Association will act as Promoter of the Cause. It will nominate a Postulator who will instruct the Cause, and who will inform the Association of the advancements of the Cause itself.
- b) Gather news and testimonies of the life of Fr. Aloysius Ellacuria, C.M.F., particularly his virtues, as well as his love towards God and his neighbor.

- c) Diffuse the knowledge of the religious aspects of Father Aloysius' personal morality and therefore his spiritual manifestations as a religious and a priest and a soul promoting the values of life.
- d) Taking note of signs that attest of Father Aloysius' reputation of sanctity, his exercise of virtue to a heroic degree, and attributions to him of particular graces or miracles.
- e) Be in charge of the printing and diffusion of an informative bulletin, which will include news about the activities of the Association, of the state of advancement of the Cause of Beatification and Canonization and of the collection of funds. This bulletin will include comments about initiatives taken by the Archbishop of Los Angeles, speaking about significant episodes of his life that have a moral value for the men and women of today, keeping always in mind the proof of this or that virtue. Naturally, members of the Association will be free to express themselves in this regard in writing or other media, and a group will be assigned to examine every piece before printing or publication.
- f) Promote the collection of funds to complete the jobs listed in the aforementioned letters a)-b)-c)-d)-e).
- g) It is the intent of the Association to develop broad public support for its stated cause, to promote the collection of funds to finance these objectives, and to administer the funds sent for this purpose.
- h) To perform any other acts to advance the above cause and purposes consistent with these Statutes.

### ARTICLE 3 *Governing Board*

The Association shall initially be governed by a Board of Directors, hereafter known as the Board. This Board shall elect or appoint the Officers of the Association. The General Assembly of Membership elects the Board after the first year. The Officers consist in a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

### ARTICLE 4 *Membership*

Those who would like to participate in the activities of the Association, are committed to observe these *Statutes* of the Association, and have a proven Christian faith are eligible for membership. Application for membership in the Association requires that the individual is willing to provide the Association their prayers and/or other resources which will assist the Association in the fulfillment of its *Purpose* as stated above, in Article 2. Applications for membership are reviewed by the Board, and Members are admitted with a majority vote of the Board.

ARTICLE 5  
*Rights of Membership*

Once accepted, members are ready to collaborate, according to their possibilities, for the purposes of the Association. They are encouraged to participate in the annual meeting of membership. All members in good standing have the right to vote and are eligible for the Board. Members who have not contributed for more than one year receive notification from the president that they are not eligible to vote until they are current.

ARTICLE 6  
*Assembly of Membership*

- 1) The *Assembly of Membership* is constituted by members who have actively collaborated in a significant fashion, by their prayers or other resources within the year prior to the assembly.
- 2) Every year the president will convoke a meeting for purposes of the approval of the annual statement, proposals with relation to the work of the Association, and the election of the Board when terms expire. The president will convoke the assembly by communicating to the members the day, time and place of the convocation. The President will be the chair of the assembly or in the case of his impediment, the Vice-President.
- 3) The right to vote must be exercised personally, i.e. no proxies or delegates.
- 4) There may also be a special meeting convoked by the president, after consulting with the Board, when considered necessary.
- 5) The decision of the dissolution of the Association requires a favorable vote of at least three fourth of the members present.

ARTICLE 7  
*Directors*

There shall be a minimum of three (3) and not more than seven (7) directors. Initial directors shall be the Founders of the Association. The board of directors is encouraged, but not required to, stagger the terms of each director. After the first year, each new Board member shall be elected by a majority vote of the existing members present and shall serve for a 2 year term, which can be renewed. Terms start on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month following the election. Vacancies on the Board for less than a 2 year term shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Board members and shall be for the remainder of the term. A Board member may be, removed from the Board by a unanimous vote of the remaining Board members.

ARTICLE 8  
*General Powers*

The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by its Board. The members shall in all cases act as a Board, and they may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of their meetings and the management of the Association as they may deem proper, not

inconsistent with these Statues and the Code of Canon Law. Any or all of the Board may be removed for cause by vote of the Members or by action of the Board. Board members may be removed without cause only by vote of the Members.

## ARTICLE 9

### *Officers*

The officers of the Association shall be a president, a vice-president, a treasurer and a secretary, each of whom shall be elected by the Board. Such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary may be elected or appointed by the Board.

### *Election & Term of Office*

The officers of the Association to be elected by the Board shall be elected annually at the first meeting of the Board held after each annual meeting of the membership. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified or until his death or until he shall resign or shall have been removed in the manner hereinafter provided.

### *Removal*

Any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Board may be removed by the Board whenever in their judgment the best interests of the Association would be served thereby but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.

### *Vacancies*

A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board for the unexpired position of the term.

### *President*

The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Association and, subject to the control of the Board, shall in general supervise and control all affairs of the Association. The President presides at all meetings of the members and of the Board.

### *Vice-President*

In the absence of the President or in event of his death, inability or refusal to act, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the president. The Vice-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board.

### *Secretary*

The secretary shall keep the minutes of the annual meeting of the members and of the Board meetings, see that all notices are duly given as required, be custodian of records and of Association and keep a register of the post office address of each member which shall be furnished to the secretary by such member, and in general perform all duties incident to the

office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to by the president or by the Board.

*Treasurer*

The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and financial assets of the Association and in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the president or by the Board.

ARTICLE 10

*Reporting*

This private association of the Christian Faithful is subject to competent ecclesiastical authority according to the norms of the Code of Canon Law. The Association will file a report of its activities, including financial, with the Archbishop of Los Angeles at a minimum on a yearly basis, or more frequently as determined by the Board of Directors, which will review the report beforehand.

These *STATUTES* were signed at Rancho Santa Fe, California on the 15 of August, 2014, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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Fr. Kevin Pius Manion  
*Founder, Friends of Father Aloysius*  
*Director, Association for the Beatification and*  
*Canonization of Fr. Aloysius Ellacuria, C.M.F.*

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Heather Gallagher  
*Secretary*