

**WOOMB International Limited**  
**World Organisation Ovulation Method Billings**

**CHARTER**

**HISTORY of WOOMB International Inc.**

WOOMB International Inc was incorporated in California, USA, January 23 1978. The original entity was wound up in 2005 and a new company, WOOMB International Ltd was registered in Victoria, Australia February, 23 2006.

The original entity consisted of an Administrative Board of four Executive Directors:

Dr John J Billings, President  
Dr Kevin Hume, Chairman  
Dr Evelyn L Billings, Vice-Chairman  
Rev Msgr Robert E Deegan, Vice-President and Secretary

Only these four had voting rights in WOOMB International Inc.

Together with the Executive Directors, a further nine persons formed the International Board, which had an advisory role:

Pbro Jesus Manuel Perez, Mexico  
Rev Joseph Hattie OMI, Canada  
Dr John J Brennan, USA (Treasurer)  
Rev Denis St Marie, Guatemala  
Dr/Sr Anna Cappella, Italy  
Rev Pedro Richards, Uruguay  
Mrs Mavis Keniry, Ireland

In addition, General Members of WOOMB International Inc were “those persons, firms, corporations or associations who, in the opinion of the Directors, (were) committed to the purposes, aims and objectives of the corporation, having actively demonstrated their support and performed services for the corporation warranting their appointment”.

Throughout the more than fifty years of the **Billings Ovulation Method™**, the authenticity of the method has been tested clinically and scientifically, in particular through the work of two world-renowned scientists, Emeritus Professor James B Brown and Emeritus Professor Erik Odeblad. Their outstanding contribution is acknowledged with gratitude.

**ESTABLISHMENT of WOOMB International Ltd**

WOOMB International Ltd is based on the same principles as the original WOOMB International Inc. For the purposes of satisfying obligations under the Corporations Act 2001 and the requirements of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, WOOMB International Ltd (Australian Company No. 118 503 763) was established February 23, 2006. The company is a public company, limited by guarantee.

## **STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY of WOOMB International Ltd**

**Natural Fertility Regulation** is a term which embraces methods of family planning which are based on the timing of sexual intercourse with reference to the physiological manifestations of the fertile and infertile phases of the menstrual cycle, in accordance with the intention of the couple to achieve or avoid pregnancy. It is implicit in the definition of Natural Fertility Regulation that there is no genital contact during the fertile phase of the menstrual cycle, if it is the intention to avoid pregnancy.

**Natural** signifies that medication, the use of appliances, and the use of surgical procedures to obstruct conception are avoided, and that the act of sexual intercourse is complete.

**The Billings Ovulation Method™** is an individual technique of Natural Fertility Regulation in which days of infertility, possible fertility and maximum fertility are defined by the hormonally determined patterns of the cervical mucus and vaginal discharges as observed by the woman.

Natural Fertility Regulation promotes the development of stable, happy, family life based on love and respect between the couple, love and respect for their fertility, and happiness in the intimate expression of the union of their lives in the physical sexual relationship.

Its purpose includes the acceptance of every human life, and a willingness to nurture and to educate the child into responsible citizenship within the community.

It seeks to help those couples who have problems in the regulation of their fertility, either difficulty in begetting children of their own, or difficulty in limiting the size of their family. It develops responsibility in all adult individuals in regard to their duties to themselves, to the family and to society.

Maturity in regard to sexuality causes adult people to exercise the freedom of understanding and directing sexuality in accordance with right reason, the sacredness of the human body and of human relationships and consideration for the welfare of others.

In marriage, responsible sexuality demands the fidelity of husband and wife to each other, which promotes a happy, healthy, satisfying relationship established upon mutual love and the treasuring of the gift of their complementary sexuality.

By virtue of its influence in advancing the happiness and security of family life and by protecting reproductive health, Natural Fertility Regulation makes a valuable contribution to society. Its successful application requires communication, cooperation and generosity between the husband and wife, developing those virtues by which the permanence of the marriage bond is ensured.

This Method finds acceptance in all cultures and religions, including Christianity as expressed in the writings of *Humanae Vitae* (Human Life) and in some of the writings of Islam. It promotes strength and health to the relationship in people of all religions or no religion. It is an expression of the Natural Law as written in all human hearts.

## **AIMS and OBJECTS of WOOMB International Ltd**

The Company is established: To promote the authentic Billings Ovulation Method™ in support of couples, the family and society, and to undertake and pursue all such other similar, related or compatible objects as may from time to time be considered appropriate by the Company.

To this end, and in furtherance of the vision and the Aims and Objects of the original WOOMB International Inc, and of the founders of the Billings Ovulation Method™, Drs John and Evelyn Billings:

- a. WOOMB International Ltd, will actively seek to enrich the union between husband and wife for their mutual benefit by giving them knowledge of the Billings Ovulation Method™ that they can use to develop love and fidelity within the marriage.
- b. Through teaching the Billings Ovulation Method™ to men, women and young persons WOOMB International Ltd will encourage parents and future parents to meet their mutual responsibilities to each other and their children by giving them insights which can be used to develop unselfish love.
- c. Knowledge about fertility regulation, using the Billings Ovulation Method™, will be directed at:
  - i) helping couples who wish to have children;
  - ii) helping couples who wish to avoid pregnancy.
  - iii) helping women to understand their fertility and to monitor their reproductive health.
- d. WOOMB International Ltd, through the Billings Ovulation Method™, aims to teach all who seek the information, how to make the observations and interpretations necessary for the identification of fertility, infertility and reproductive health.
- e. WOOMB International Ltd aims to impart to men the knowledge necessary to exercise a supportive and collaborative role in the application of the Billings Ovulation Method™.
- f. WOOMB International Ltd, through information and encouragement, will promote an acceptance of a pregnancy not deliberately planned, so that the child will be welcomed and loved.
- g. WOOMB International Ltd believes that husband and wife have the sole right to determine in conscience the number of children of their marriage.
- h. WOOMB International Ltd aims to encourage ongoing research into the Billings Ovulation Method™, human fertility and reproductive health.

## **DIRECTORS of WOOMB International Ltd**

The Directors of WOOMB International Ltd, all of whom are members of the Company and have signed the Declaration to Abide by the Charter, form the Executive Board and have voting and signing rights for all matters pursuant to the legal status of the Company.

## **AFFILIATES of WOOMB International Ltd**

Affiliates of WOOMB International Ltd will be those organisations, associations or corporations that have demonstrated, to the satisfaction of the Directors of the company, commitment to the active teaching of the authentic Billings Ovulation Method™ in their local country or region.

Affiliation, which may not be assigned, transferred or encumbered in any manner whatsoever, will be renewed every three years at the discretion of the Directors of WOOMB International Ltd, and will be withdrawn if the organisation fails to demonstrate its continued commitment to the active teaching of the authentic Billings Ovulation Method™.

### **NATIONAL ACCREDITING BODIES appointed by WOOMB International Ltd**

It is intended that there be only one national organisation in each country that will be appointed by WOOMB International Ltd to be responsible for the accrediting and re-accrediting of teachers of the Billings Ovulation Method™ in that country. These National Accrediting Bodies will be asked to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Directors of WOOMB International Ltd that they are training teachers of the Billings Ovulation Method™ in accordance with WOOMB-approved training curricula. The National Accrediting Bodies will be authorised and expected to disseminate training throughout their country for the greater spread of the Billings Ovulation Method™.

### **INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATES of WOOMB International Ltd**

The Directors will appoint International Associates who will be required to sign the Declaration to Abide by the Charter. Appointments will commence in 2007 and will be for 3 years with the option to reappoint. These Associates, would usually, but need not exclusively, be the representatives of organisations from around the world, which teach and promote the Billings Ovulation Method™ of natural fertility regulation. The role of International Associates is to advise the Directors on matters relating to the promotion, expansion and development of the teaching of the authentic Billings Ovulation Method™. International Associates do not have voting rights at meetings of Directors.

### **SPECIALIST CONSULTANTS to the DIRECTORS of WOOMB International Ltd**

The Directors may seek the advice of specialist Consultants on matters pertaining to scientific research, education, ethics, philosophy and theology, international promotion and funding, and such other matters as they may from time to time deem appropriate.

### **ACTIVITIES of WOOMB International Ltd**

WOOMB International Ltd shall undertake such activities as are deemed necessary by the Directors in furtherance of the Aims and Objects of the Company. To this end the Directors will raise such monies, by whatever means, as is necessary to undertake these activities.

### **MANAGEMENT of WOOMB International Ltd**

All matters pertaining to meetings, financial accounts, auditing, execution of documents, secrecy, indemnities and insurance shall be carried out by the Directors as set out in the Constitution, and as required under Australian law in the Corporations Act (2001).

### **LOGO and TRADEMARK of WOOMB International Ltd**

The use of the logo and/or trademark of WOOMB International Ltd will be at the sole discretion of the Directors, or any other person(s), whom the Directors may from time to time authorise to exercise this discretion on their behalf. All and only those teaching materials explicitly approved in writing by the Directors of WOOMB International Ltd may bear the inscription "Approved by WOOMB International Ltd". It is NOT an automatic right of Affiliates of the Company to have use of the logo and/or trademark, except on their official letterhead where they may state that they are affiliated with WOOMB International Ltd. Any misuse of the Logo or Trademark will incur disaffiliation from WOOMB International Ltd and the Directors may pursue legal action.