

## MEMBERSHIP INVITATION

*Islamic Center of Northeast Florida, Inc. (ICNEF) was incorporated as a Non-Profit Religious Organization under the laws of the State of Florida on December 12, 1978. All Muslims are welcome to use the Islamic Center facilities and pray according to his/her understanding of Islam. However, in order to participate in the management of the Islamic Center, one must become a member of the Islamic Center of Northeast Florida, Inc.*

### Membership Benefits:

- 1. Reward from Allah SWT:** The greatest benefit of becoming a Member of ICNEF is the reward from Allah SWT, for the commitment to support an organization devoted to providing places of worship for Muslims, Islamic education, and building bridges of understanding among people of all faiths.
- 2. Right to Vote:** Each Student Member has one (1) vote; each Single Member has one (1) vote; and each Family Member has one (1) vote for each adult member of his /her family, i.e. the Member, the Member's spouse, and their natural or adopted unmarried children that are eighteen years old or older (hereinafter referred to as Member Voters). *All such Member Voters shall participate in the election of Members to the ICNEF Board of Trustees every two years.*
- 3. Right to be a Candidate for Election:** Every Member Voter who is qualified to vote has a right to be a candidate for any of the positions he/she is entitled to vote for, provided he/she meets the additional qualifications in accordance with the ICNEF By-Laws.
- 4. Right to a Burial Plot in the Islamic Cemetery Section:** ICNEF owns exclusive sections for use by the Muslim members of the community in the Jacksonville Memory Gardens (a cemetery in Orange Park), and in the Chapel Hills Memory Garden (a cemetery on St. Johns Bluff Road). Each Member as well as his/her spouse and each of their unmarried natural/adopted children, is entitled to a free burial plot in whichever one of these two cemeteries he/she chooses and is available for his/her burial if he/she is a Member in good standing, and having paid all of his/her Membership Dues as of December 31, 2016.

Each Member as well as his/her spouse and unmarried natural/adopted children who becomes a Member after December 31, 2016 is entitled to receive ten percent (10%) discount for each year (365 days) of membership on the current market value of a burial plot, and is required to pay the balance of the current market value of the plot. A Non-Member Muslim may be buried in these cemetery sections if the family of the deceased pays the current market value of the plot (same amount that the cemetery is charging for a similar plot) to ICNEF. Provided however, that if the family of the deceased is unable to pay the full amount, then the ICNEF Board of Trustees may authorize acceptance of a lesser amount or no amount. Any such amount recovered is used to acquire/pay for additional cemetery plots.

*We invite you to become a Member of the ICNEF by completing the reverse side of this form, and having a current Member of the ICNEF sign it as a Sponsor. Also, write a check payable to the ICNEF for at least one month's Membership Dues as specified on the reverse side of this form. In the Memo area of the check (at the bottom left) please write "Membership Dues". Please drop this form as well the check in the donation box at the Islamic Center, or mail to:*

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: HOME: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PROFESSION: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP CLASS: (Please Check one) STUDENT \_\_\_\_\_ SINGLE \_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_

## FAMILY INFORMATION *(Must be furnished for each Family Membership.)*

SPOUSE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE PROFESSION: \_\_\_\_\_

## CHILDREN *(Unmarried only)*

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>
1. _____	_____	4. _____	_____
2. _____	_____	5. _____	_____
3. _____	_____	6. _____	_____

**APPLICANT'S STATEMENT:** *I am a Muslim. I believe that there is no deity except one God, the Allah SWT, and Muhammad (PBUH) is His messenger. I agree to abide by the decision of the ICNEF Board of Trustees as to the disposition of this application. If admitted to membership, I will be considered a Member as of the date I sign this application, and I agree to be governed by the ICNEF By-Laws (see on [www.icnef.org](http://www.icnef.org)).*

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:** *I am a Member of the ICNEF, and I am personally acquainted with and recommend the applicant for membership.*

SPONSOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SPONSOR SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP: ANNUAL DUES: STUDENT- \$90 SINGLE-\$180 FAMILY-\$450

*All dues and donations to the ICNEF, a 501 (c) (3) organization, are tax deductible. IRS ID. 59-1882880*

## Please complete below only if necessary.

Due to my limited financial resources, I am unable to pay the regular membership dues. Instead, I will, Insha- Allah, pay \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month.

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SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_