Sophianic Animism USA Summary of Declaration of Trust

The Declaration of Trust is the mechanism by which SA USA provides for the handling of contributions of money and other tangible assets and conversions of assets of one type into assets of another type.

The purpose of SA USA is to voluntarily and proactively play a human role in caring for the interests of the Mother Goddess and Her devotees – in which activities, tangible assets play a useful and sometimes essential role.

To whom do such assets belong? Not to the church but to the Goddess Herself. She whose material body is the living earth is self-evidently the source of all tangible assets; since they are of Her body, aspects of Her elemental, chemical, geological and biological Self, humans may use them and may assume a subsidiary kind of temporal ownership of them only via Her grace.

The church, however, purposes to use such assets in alignment with the Deity's Correction of the human terrestrial experiment. How can it do so, if it does not own those assets? Human ownership of donated assets is surrendered to back to the Goddess via the church, which receives the assets, cares for them and uses them in the human sphere of activity via a trust relationship involving a human trustee or trustees, there being a need to maintain control of such assets and give direction to their utilization.

Limited authority is invested in an appointed **Minister of Assets** who serves as First Trustee, as an expression of the authority assumed by the church and especially by its governance body, the CNS ("central nervous system"). That minister, as the primary human individual to whom assets donated to the church are entrusted, is the primary manager and tracker of assets charged with implementing the productive use of assets, representing the church on behalf of the Goddess.

The Minister of Assets will generally have a **Deputy Minister of Assets** who serves as Second Trustee, and other individuals may at times, as may be necessary or convenient, handle assets under the acknowledged authority of the Minister of Assets and his or her Deputy. This is the arrangement instituted by the church via the Declaration of Trust – certain details and particulars of which are private, but it pleases the church to publicly disclose the information contained in this summary document.

The church sees fit to also publicize excerpts of the trust documents, namely the **Preamble and Background** section of the **Resolution to Adopt a Declaration of Trust** (an otherwise private document) and the essay **On Authority and Sophianic Animism USA** – the latter work delineating how SA USA views the issue of authority that is highly significant for Christian churches that have taken a similar approach in defining their relationship with physical and financial assets. Although our views on authority and much else differ from the views of those churches – please recall that, by definition, Sophianic Animism is a heresy – and explaining those differences is part of the motivation underlying the creation of the **On Authority** essay, we appreciate the careful thought, ingenuity and trailblazing initiative undertaken by those churches, which enabled SA USA to selectively choose from a menu of features, functions and motivations that have been thoroughly explicated by others who have preceded us in the "creating a functioning church" genre of human activity.