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October 17, 2001

Mr. Doug Spitler Florida Department of State Division of Corporations 409 Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 33299

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Re:

Articles of Merger merging David's Bridal of Las Vegas, Inc., a Nevada corporation, into David's Bridal, Inc., a Florida corporation

Dear Mr. Spitler:

I have enclosed duplicate originals of the Articles of Merger merging David's Bridal of Las Vegas, Inc., a Nevada corporation, into David's Bridal, Inc., a Florida corporation and the surviving corporation of the merger, to be filed with the Florida Department of State. For your information, David's Bridal of Las Vegas, Inc., the non-surviving corporation of the merger, is not qualified to do business in the State of Florida.

If the Articles of Merger meet with your approval, please file them in duplicate original and return one file-stamped original to me in the enclosed self-addressed, Federal Express envelope. I have enclosed a \$78.75 check made payable to the Florida Department of State to cover the filing fee (\$70/\$35 filing fee per corporation) and the cost of a certified copy (\$8.75).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this filing, please call me collect at the telephone number noted below. Many thanks for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Sarah J. Westover Senior Legal Assistant

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ARTICLES OF MERGER Merger Sheet

MERGING:

DAVID'S BRIDAL OF LAS VEGAS, INC., a Nevada corporation (not qualified to transact business in Fiorida)

INTO

DAVID'S BRIDAL, INC., a Florida entity, L96535

File date: October 19, 2001

Corporate Specialist: Louise Flemming-Jackson

SECRETARY OF STATE
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

ARTICLES OF MERGER

(Profit Corporations)

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The following articles of merger are submitted in accordance with the Florida Business Corporation Act, pursuant to Section 607.1105, F.S.

First: the name and jurisdiction	of the <u>surviving</u> corpo	oration is:		
Name		<u>Jurisdiction</u>		
David's Bridal, Inc.		Florida		
Second: The name and jurisdic	tion of the merging cor	poration is:		
Name	, •	<u>Jurisdicti</u>	on	
David's Bridal of Las Vegas, Inc.		Nevada	Nevada	
Third: The Plan of Merger is at	ttached as Exhibit A.	,		
Fourth: The merger shall become Department of State.	me effective on the date	e the Articles of I	Merger are filed with the Florida	
OR/	(Enter a specific date. NOTE: An effective date cannot be prior to the date of filing or more than 90 days in the future.)			
Fifth: Adoption of Merger by s	urviving corporation -	(COMPLETE C	ONLY ONE STATEMENT)	
The Plan of Merger was adopted	l by the shareholders of	the surviving co	prporation on	
The Plan of Merger was adopted October 18, 2000 and sharehold			ng corporation on	
Sixth: Adoption of Merger by n	nerging corporation (C	OMPLETE ON	ILY ONE STATEMENT)	
The Pian of Merger was adopted	by the shareholders of	the merging cor	poration on	
The Plan of Merger was adopted October 18, 2000 and sharehold			g corporation on	
Seventh: SIGNATURES FOR	EACH CORPORAT	<u>ION</u>		
Name of Corporation	Signature		Typed/Printed Name of Individual & Title	
David's Bridal, Inc. (Surviving Corporation)	JR9C)	//	Jan R. Kniffen, Vice President	
Merging Corporation	V			
David's Bridal of Las Vegas, Inc	MA BA	ickh	Richard A. Brickson, Vice President & Secretary	

EXHIBIT A

AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER (the "Merger Agreement"), dated this 18th day of October, 2000, pursuant to Sections 607.1103, 607.1104, 607.1105 and 607.1106 of the Florida Business Corporation Act (the "Florida Act") and Sections 92A.100 and 92A.190 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (the "Nevada Statutes"), between David's Bridal of Las Vegas, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "Nevada Corporation"), and David's Bridal, Inc., a Florida corporation (hereinafter referred to as "DBI" or as the "Surviving Corporation").

WHEREAS, DBI is the legal and beneficial holder of all the issued and outstanding shares of stock of the Nevada Corporation and deems it to be in the best interests of the constituent corporations to merge the Nevada Corporation into DBI;

NOW, THEREFORE, DBI and the Nevada Corporation hereby agree as follows:

- 1. The Nevada Corporation shall be merged with and into its sole shareowner, DBI, which shall be the surviving corporation of the merger. The Nevada Corporation is not qualified to do business in the State of Florida, the state of incorporation of DBI.
- 2. The Merger Agreement has been approved and adopted by the board of directors of each of DBI and the Nevada Corporation by unanimous written consent in lieu of a special meeting on October 18, 2000 in accordance with the provisions of Sections 607.1103 (7) and 607.0821 of the Florida Act and Section 92A.100 of the Nevada Revised Statutes.
- 3. Articles of Merger shall be filed with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations on behalf of DBI, pursuant to Section 607.1105 of the Florida Act and with the Secretary of State of Nevada, on behalf of the Nevada Corporation, pursuant to Section 92A.200 of the Nevada Statutes.
- 4. DBI was incorporated in the State of Florida on August 29, 1990 under the name Phillie Bridals, Inc. An amendment changing the name of the corporation to David's Bridal, Inc. was filed on September 1, 1995 with the Florida Department of State.
 - 5. DBI was qualified to do business in the State of Nevada on January 25, 1996.
- 6. The Third Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation (the "Restated Articles") of DBI shall be the Restated Articles of the Surviving Corporation.
- 7. All of the issued and outstanding shares of the Nevada Corporation shall be canceled without consideration upon the effective date of the merger. Each share of DBI before the merger will represent the same

number of shares of the Surviving Corporation after the merger.

8. The officers and directors of DBI shall be the officers and directors of the Surviving Corporation and shall hold office from the effective date of the merger until their respective successors are duly elected or appointed and qualified in the manner provided in the Restated Articles and the By-Laws of the Surviving Corporation or as otherwise provided by law.

9. The Corporation Trust Company of Nevada is the registered agent of the Surviving Corporation for service of process in a proceeding to enforce any obligation of any domestic corporation which is a party to the merger and in any proceeding for the enforcement of the rights of a dissenting owner of any domestic corporation against the Surviving Corporation. The Corporation Trust Company of Nevada's address is as follows: One East First Street, Reno, Nevada 89501. The Surviving Corporation agrees that it will promptly pay to the dissenting owners of each domestic corporation that is a party to the merger, the amount, if any, to which they are entitled under or created pursuant to Section 92A.300 to 92A.500, inclusive, of the Nevada Statutes.

10. Upon the effective date of the merger, the rights, privileges, liabilities, powers and franchises and all and every other interest of each of the Nevada Corporation and DBI shall be vested in the Surviving Corporation in accordance with Section 607.1106 of the Act and Section 92A.250 of the Nevada Statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the constituent corporations party to this Merger Agreement have caused this Merger Agreement to be executed by Jan R. Kniffen, Vice President of David's Bridal, Inc., and Richard A. Brickson, Vice President and Secretary of the David's Bridal of Las Vegas, Inc., on this 18th day of October, 2001.

Name of Corporation	Signature	Typed/Printed Name of Individual & Title
David's Bridal, Inc. (Surviving Corporation)	JR 9/M	Jan R. Kniffen, Vice President
Merging Corporation		
Dayid's Bridal of Las Vegas, Inc.	Maries for	Richard A. Brickson, Vice President & Secretary