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SUBJECT: FLORIDA FINANCIAL ASSOCIATES
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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#### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Katherine Harris Secretary of State

August 21, 2001

THOMAS E. WILKINS 78419 N. DALE MABRY HWY STE. 206 TAMPA, FL 33614

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Ref. Number: W01000019370

We have received your document for FLORIDA FINANCIAL ASSOCIATES and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The corporate name must contain a suffix that will clearly indicate that it is a corporation. Such suffixes include: CORPORATION, CORP., COMPANY, CO., INC., and INCORPORATED.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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Tim Burch Document Specialist New Filing Section

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

# Florida Financial Associates, INC.

# Article I - Name

The name of this corporation is **FLORIDA FINANCIAL ASSOCIATES, INC.** 

## **ARTICLE II - DURATION**

As provided in Florida Statutes, Chapter 607, this corporation shall exist in perpetuity.

## ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

This corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting any or all business permitted under the laws of the United States and of this State.

#### ARTICLE IV – ADDRESS OF CORPORATION

The street address of the principal location of the Corporation is 7819

North Dale Mabry Hwy. Suite 206, Tampa, Florida 33614.

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# ARTICLE V – CAPITAL STOCK

This corporation is authorized to issue 1,000 shares of Common Stock at \$1.00 par value.

# **ARTICLE VI – PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

Every shareholder, upon the sale for cash of any new stock of this

Corporation of the same kind, class or series as that which he already holds,
shall have the right to purchase his pro rata share thereof (as nearly as may
be done without issuance of fractional shares) at the price at which it is
offered to others.

# ARTICLE VII - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 7819 North Dale Mabry Hwy. Suite 206, Tampa, Florida 33614, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Thomas E. Wilkins.

## ARTICLE VIII – INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Corporation shall have two (2) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by the bylaws, but shall never be less than one (1). The name and address of the initial directors of this corporation are:

Thomas Wilkins 5856 Red Cedar Lane Tampa, FL 33625

James P. Soley 6445 Renwick Circle Tampa, FL 33647

# <u>ARTICLE IX – INCORPORATORS</u>

The names and addresses of the persons signing these articles are:

Thomas Wilkins 5856 Red Cedar Lane Tampa, FL 33625 James P. Soley 6445 Renwick Circle Tampa, FL 33647

# <u>ARTICLE – BYLAWS</u>

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors and the shareholders

#### ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENT

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these articles of incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

# **ARTICLE XII – INDEMNIFICATION**

In addition to any rights and duties under applicable law, the Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless all its directors, officers, employees and agents, and former directors, and obligations, including attorney's fees, incurred in connection with any actions taken or failed to be taken by said directors, officers, employees and agents in their capacity as such, except for willful misconduct or gross negligence.

# IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscribers have

Executed these Articles of Incorporation, this <u>24<sup>th</sup></u> day of August, 2001.

THOMAS WILKINS

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

Before me, a notary public authorized to take acknowledgements in the state and county set forth above, personally appeared THOMAS WILKINS and JAMES P. SOLEY, known to me and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, without taking oath.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal in the state and county aforesaid, this 24 day of huguet, 2001.

CHRISTINA TSOUNIS
Notary Public - State of Florida
My Commission Expires May 30, 2005
Commission # DD030089

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: May 30, 2005

Having been named registered agent to accept service of process for the abovestated corporation, at the place designated in the articles, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of the Florida Statues in all matters relative thereto.

> Thomas E. Wilkins Registered Agent