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**FLORIDA PROFIT CORPORATION OR P.A.**

**BEN SHIVES TRUCK SUPER CENTER, INC.**

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**BEN SHIVES TRUCK SUPER CENTER, INC.**

**ARTICLE I. NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be BEN SHIVES TRUCK SUPER CENTER, INC.

**ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The mailing address and principal place of business of the corporation is 2000 9th Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

**ARTICLE III. COMMENCEMENT & DURATION**

The commencement of this corporation's existence shall be at the time of signing of these Articles Of Incorporation. This corporation's duration shall be perpetual.

**ARTICLE IV. PURPOSE**

The general purposes for which the corporation is organized are the following:

A. To engage in and transact any lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the Florida General Corporation Act. No other purpose limits this general purpose in any way.

B. To do such other things as are incidental to the purposes of the corporation or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish them.

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ARTICLE V. CAPITAL STOCK

This corporation shall have the authority to issue 1,000 shares of One Dollar (\$1.00) par value common capital stock.

ARTICLE VI. INDEMNIFICATION

This corporation shall indemnify any officer, director, employee, or agent, and any former officer, director, employee, or agent, to the full extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE VII. INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE & AGENT

The address of this corporation's initial registered office shall be: 2000 9<sup>th</sup> Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

The name of the individual who shall serve as this corporation's initial registered agent at that address is: Benjamin L. Shives.

ARTICLE VIII. INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the individual who shall serve as this corporation's incorporator is: Benjamin L. Shives, 2000 9<sup>th</sup> Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

ARTICLE IX. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The number of the Board of Directors shall be set by the Bylaws. Initially, the Board of Directors shall consist of one Director who is Benjamin L. Shives, and whose address is 2000 9<sup>th</sup> Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the Articles Of Incorporation of this corporation shall be vested in the shareholders by a majority vote of such shareholders.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2002.

  
Benjamin L. Shives, Incorporator

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ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as Registered Agent of BEN SHIVES TRUCK SUPER CENTER, INC., which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation. Pursuant to Section 607.0501(3), Florida Statutes (2002), I hereby state that I am familiar with and accept the duties, obligations and responsibilities as Registered Agent for said corporation.

DATED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2002.

  
Benjamin L. Shives, Registered Agent