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December 22, 2004

Secretary of State Corporate Records Bureau Division of Corporations Department of State P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32301

RE: PROKOP STONE, P.A.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed an original of the "Articles of Incorporation" of the above captioned corporation, together with a check in the amount of \$70.00 to cover the filing fee for this corporation.

I would appreciate your advising the date of filing for this corporation at the address above.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Thomas E. Gerrity

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

# PROKOP STONE, P.A.

The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation hereby form a corporation under the Florida General Corporation Act.

#### ARTICLE I

#### NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of this corporation is: PROKOP STONE, P.A.

#### ARTICLE II

#### NATURE OF BUSINESS

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be:

- a) To engage in every phase and aspect of rendering to the public the same professional services a duly licensed person under the laws of the State of Florida is authorized to render, but such professional service shall be rendered only through its officers, employees, and agents who are duly licensed as mortgage brokers in the State of Florida. The corporation will focus on mortgage brokerage as its primary source of income, but will also do a limited amount of condominium management.
- b) To invest the funds of the corporation in real estate, mortgages, stocks, bonds, or any other type of investments, and to own real and personal property necessary for the rendering of professional services.

anything necessary and proper c) for the accomplishment of any of the purposes or the attaining of any of the objectives enumerated in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment thereof, necessary or incidental to the protection and benefit of corporation, and in general, either alone or in association with other corporations, firms or individuals, to carry on any lawful pursuit necessary or incidental to the furtherance of the purposes or objectives of the corporation.

The paragraphs of this Article shall be construed as both objectives and purposes of the corporation, and it is hereby expressly provided that the foregoing enumeration of specific purposes shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the purposes of this corporation otherwise permitted by law.

### ARTICLE III

#### CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 2,000 shares of common stock having par value of \$1.00 per share.

#### ARTICLE IV

# INITIAL CAPITAL

The amount of capital with which this corporation will begin business is \$1,000.00.

#### ARTICLE V

#### TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

#### ARTICLE VI

TRANSACTION WITH INTERESTED DIRECTORS OR OFFICERS

In the absence of fraud, no contract or other transaction between this corporation and any other corporation or any individual or firm shall be in any way affected or invalidated by the fact that any of the Directors or Officers of this corporation are interested in such contract or transaction, provided that such interest shall be fully disclosed or otherwise known to the Board of Directors in the meeting of such Board at which such contract or transaction is authorized or confirmed, and provided, however, that any such Directors of this corporation who are so interested may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting at the Board of Directors of this corporation which shall authorize or confirm such contract or transaction, and any such Director may vote thereon to authorize any such contract or transaction with the like force and effect as if he or she were not such Director or Officer of such other Corporation or not so interested.

#### ARTICLE VII

### REPLACING STOCK CERTIFICATES

The Board of Directors may, by resolution, provide for the issuance of stock certificates to replace lost or destroyed certificates.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the stockholders, and approved at the stockholders' meeting by a majority of the stock entitled to vote thereon.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### TRANSFERABILITY OF SHARES

By stockholders' agreement by-laws, the corporation may restrict the transfer or encumbrance of any and all of its stock, including but not limited to, provisions for the transfer of the stock owned by a retiring, disabled, or deceased stockholder, or any stockholder required to sever financial interest in the corporation. The stockholders of this corporation shall have the sole power to adopt, amend or repeal by-laws for the management of this corporation.

# ARTICLE X

### ADDRESS

The initial street and mailing address of the principal office of this corporation is: 3707 Radnor Place, Sarasota, Florida 34232

# ARTICLE XI

# DIRECTORS

The business of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. There shall be two (2) initially. The number of directors may be increased, and after such increase, decreased from

time to time by by-laws adopted by the Shareholders. In no event shall the number of Directors be less than one (1).

The names and street addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors are:

- 1) Kenneth D. Prokop (President and Secretary)
  3707 Radnor Place, Sarasota, Florida 34232
- 2) Shellie T. Stone (Vice-President and Treasurer) 150 Dade Avenue, Sarasota, Florida 34232

#### ARTICLE XII

#### SUBSCRIBERS

The name and street address of each person signing the Articles of Incorporation as a subscriber is:

1) Kenneth D. Prokop, 3707 Radnor Place, Sarasota, Florida 34232.

#### ARTICLE XIII

#### SHAREHOLDERS, LIMITATIONS

Only persons who are licensed mortgage brokers in the State of Florida may be shareholders in this corporation. No shareholder may sell or otherwise transfer his stock herein except to a person who is eligible to be a shareholder in this corporation. No shareholder shall enter into a voting trust agreement or any other agreement which vests in another person the authority to exercise the voting power of any or all of its stock.

#### ARTICLE XIV

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS, LIMITATIONS

# ARTICLE XVIII

#### BY-LAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal by-laws shall be vested in and is hereby reserved to the shareholders. By-laws shall be adopted, altered, amended, or repealed as provided therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned executed these Articles of Incorporation this 22nd day of December, 2004.

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF SARASOTA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 22nd day of December, 2004, and the affiant is personally known to me.

THOMAS E. GERRITT

My commission expires:



No person shall serve as a director of this corporation except a mortgage broker licensed in the State of Florida. No person shall be elected or shall serve as an executive officer of this corporation except a shareholder of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE XV

#### DATE CORPORATE EXISTENCE COMMENCES

The date when corporate existence for this corporation shall begin shall be on the date the Articles are filed by the Offices of the Secretary of State for the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE XVI

REGISTERED AGENT AND INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE

The Registered Agent and the street address of the initial Registered Office of this Corporation in the State of Florida shall be as follows: Kenneth D. Prokop, 3707 Randor Place, Sarasota, Florida 34232.

The Board of Directors may from time to time move the Registered Office to any other address in the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE XVII

ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned, an individual resident of the State of Florida, does hereby accept appointment as Registered Agent for this Corporation, and agrees to accept service of process within this State.

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KENNETH D. PROKOP

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