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May 31, 2005

Secretary of State Division of Corporations 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399

RE: Incorporation of First Fidelity Insurance Company

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are original Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced entity. I would appreciate your filing the same and confirming that this has been accomplished by returning to me a Certificate of Incorporation for the entity. An extra original copy of the Articles is enclosed for confirmation of such incorporation via certification and return to me in the stamped, self-addressed envelope provided for your convenience.

I have enclosed my check in the sum of \$87.50. This should cover the \$35.00 filing fee, the \$35.00 Designation of Registered Agent, plus your \$8.75 charge for a certified copy of the Articles and your \$8.75 charge for a Certificate of Status. These should be returned to me in the enclosed envelope at your early convenience.

Thank you very much for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. (727-723-6471)

Sincerely,

Jack Dougherty

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Enclosures: as referenced.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATIONAL ASSEE, FLORIDA

OF

FIRST FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY

The undersigned incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation, a natural person over the age of 18 years, competent to contract and a citizen of the United States of America, hereby forms a stock insurer corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: **FIRST FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY.** The principal place of business of this corporation shall be 7020 South Shore Drive, South Pasadena, Pinellas County, Florida, 33707.

ARTICLE II NATURE OF BUSINESS

The purpose of the corporation is to engage in every aspect of property and casualty insurance, including health insurance, property insurance, casualty insurance (which shall include vehicle insurance, liability insurance, workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance, burglary and theft insurance, personal property floater insurance, glass insurance, boiler and machinery insurance, leakage and fire extinguishing equipment insurance, credit insurance, credit property insurance, malpractice insurance, animal insurance, elevator insurance, entertainments insurance, insurance indemnifying for the failure of certain institutions to record documents, insurance against loss from the failure to file certain personal property instruments, and other miscellaneous kinds of insurance included under the definition of "Casualty insurance"), surety insurance, fidelity insurance, marine insurance, marine protection and indemnity insurance, wet marine and transportation insurance, inland marine insurance, title insurance, residual value insurance, collateral protection insurance, mortgage guaranty insurance, and financial guaranty insurance, all as defined in the Insurance Code, Florida Statutes Annotated, as may be amended from time to time, and such other business activities as are necessarily incidental to such insurance business.

ARTICLE III CAPITOL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to issue is One Million Two hundred Thousand (1,200,000) shares of common stock having a par value of One and No/100 (\$1.00) per share. The corporation shall not begin transacting business unless it achieves a capitol and surplus of at least \$5 million.

ARTICLE IV TERM OF EXISTENCE

The corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE V INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of this corporation shall be 1200 south Pine Island Road, Plantation, Florida 33324, and the initial registered agent of this Corporation at such office shall be Connic Byan, c/o CT Corporation System, who upon accepting this designation agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time, with respect to keeping an office open to receive service of process from the Treasurer and Insurance Commissioner of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE VI DIRECTORS

The corporation shall have one director initially, a United States citizen that is over the age of 18. The name and residence street address of the director whose initial term of office shall be for one year is:

Jack Dougherty 7020 South Shore Drive South Pasadena, FL. 33707

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATORS

The name and residence street address of the incorporator, who is over the age of 18 and who is a United States citizen is:

Jack Dougherty 7020 South Shore Drive South Pasadena, FL. 33707

THE INCORPORATOR HAS HEREUNTO SET HIS HAND AND SEAL							
THIS	31st	day of	May _	2005.			
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HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO RECEIVE SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THESE PROVISIONS, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE OBLIGATIONS OF MY POSITION AS REGISTERED AGENT.

DATE: June 7, 2005

CT CORPORATION SYSTEM

BY: _ - Canie Brys

Connie Bryan, Special Assistant Secretary

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