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FIRST: The corporate name that satisfies the requirements of section 607,0401 is First Southern Financial Corporation.

SECOND: The street address and mailing address of the initial principal office of the Corporation is c/o Smith, Gambrell & Russell, 3343 Peachtree Road, Suite 1800, Atlanta, Georgia 30326.

THIRD: The number of shares the Corporation is authorized to issue is 10,000,000 shares, \$.01 par value.

FOURTH: The number of directors who will serve on the initial board of directors shall be eight (8).

FIFTH: The street address of the initial registered Office of the corporation is c/o C T Corporation, 1200 South Pine Island Road, City of Plantation, Florida 33324, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is C T Corporation System.

SIXTH: The name and address of the Incorporator

is: Tamara Odom

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The undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation

this 9 th day of October, 1996.

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Acceptance by the registered agent as required in Section 607.0501 (3) F.S.: C T Corporation System is familiar with and accepts the obligations provided for in Section 607.0505.

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Attention:

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Margaret E. Fossitt (404) 264-2688

Connie Bryan

Re:

Articles of Amendment for First Southern Financial Corporation

Order # 782494 from the Atlanta office: Scott Arthur, representative

Dear Ms. Bryan:

Enclosed are fully-executed original Articles of Amendment for First Southern Financial Corporation which change the corporation's name to Edison Bancahares, Inc. Also enclosed is correspondence from Wm. Douglas Johnson, Assistant Director of the Florida Division of Banking, granting approval to use the word "bank" in the Corporation's name.

We would appreciate your filing these Articles with the Florida Secretary of State on Tuesday, February 18, 1997. I was told by the Secretary of State's office that although February 18 will be the effective date of the filing, the documents may not be returned to you until the next day. I would appreciate your confirming the filing to me by fax on Tuesday at (404) 264-2652, and sending the evidentiary documents to me by Federal Express at the above address when you receive them.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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January 28, 1997

Margaret E. Foseitt
Legal Assistant
Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP
Attorneys at Law
Attanta Financial Center
Suite 1500
3343 Peachtree Road, NE
Atlanta, GA 30328-1010

Deer Me. Foseitt:

Re: "Edison Bancaharee, Inc."

Reference is made to your letter/fax dated January 23, requesting approval of the above-referenced corporate name which will be a bank holding company of Edison National Sank, Fort Myers, Floride.

As Section 655.922(2)(a), Florida Statutes, exempts a financial inetitution, holding company or its subsidiaries from the prohibition against using the word "bank", "banker", "banking", "trust company", "savinge and loan association", "eavinge bank", or "credit union" in its corporate name, the Division of Sanking will not object to the above-subject corporate name being registered to transact business in the State of Floride.

Sincerely,

Wm. Douglas Johnson Assistant Director Division of Banking 101 E. Gaines Street - Suits 636 The Fletcher Building Tallahasses, FL 2238-0380 (904) 488-1111 Fax # (904) 921-2368

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co: Karon Beyer, Chief Bureau of Corporate Records Secretary of State's Office

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OF FIRST SOUTHERN FINANCIAL CORPORATION: OF FIRST SOUTHERN FINANCIAL CO

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Pursuant to Section 607.1006 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, the undersigned Corporation adopts these Articles of Amendment.

FIRST: The name of the Corporation is First Southern Financial Corporation.

SECOND: The Articles of Incorporation of this Corporation are amended by changing the Article numbered "First" so that, as amended, said Article shall read as follows:

> The corporate name that satisfies the requirements of Section 607.0401 is Edison Bancahares, Inc.

THIRD: Prior to the issuance of shares, the amendment was adopted by the Board of Directors without shareholder action and shareholder action was not required.

FOURTH: The amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation set forth above was adopted by the Board of Directors on the 14th day of February, 1997.

Signed this 14 day of February

FIRST SOUTHERN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

W. Roepstorff, Director

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AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF EDISON BANCSHARES, INC.

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The Corporation, formerly First Southern Financial Corporation, whose Articles of Incorporation were originally filed with the Florida Department of State on October 9, 1996, hereby amends and restates these Articles, effective as of June 4, 1997, the date on which such amendments and restatement were duly approved by the shareholders of the Corporation pursuant to Sections 607,1003 and 607,1007 of the Florida Business Corporation Act.

ARTICLE I.

The corporate name that satisfies the requirements of Section 607.0401 is Edison . Bancshares, Inc.

ARTICLE II.

The street and mailing address of the principal office of the Corporation is 4575 Via Royale, Suite 108, Fort Myers, Florida 33919.

ARTICLE III.

The Corporation shall have authority to issue 10,000,000 shares of capital stock, \$.10 par value.

ARTICLE IV.

The street address of the registered office of the Corporation is 1200 South Pine Island Road, Plantation, Florida 33324. The registered agent of the Corporation is CT Corporation System.

ARTICLE V.

The name and address of the Incorporator of the Corporation is Tamara Odom, 660 East Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Amended and Restated

Articles of Incorporation on the 30th day of June 1997.

EDISON BANCSHARES, INC.

Geoffrey W. Roopstorff, President

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EXHIBIT 1

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT OF FIRST SOUTHERN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Pursuant to Section 607.1006 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, the undersigned Corporation adopts these Articles of Amendment.

FIRST: The name of the Corporation is First Southern Financial Corporation.

SECOND: The Articles of Incorporation of this:Corporation are amended by changing the Article numbered "First" so that, as amended, said Article shall read as follows:

· ARTICLE I.

The corporate name that satisfies the requirements of Section 607,0401 is Edison Bancshares, Inc.

THIRD: The Articles of Incorporation of this Corporation are amended by changing the Article numbered "Third" so that, as amended, said Article shall read as follows:

ARTICLE III.

The Corporation shall have authority to issue 10,000,000 shares of capital stock, \$.10 par value.

FOURTH: Subsequent to the issuance of shares, the amendments set forth above were adopted by the shareholders of the Corporation pursuant to Section 607,1003 and the number of votes cast for the amendments was sufficient for such adoption and approval.

FIFTH: The amendments to the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation set forth above were adopted by the shareholders of the Corporation on the 4th day of June, 1997.

Signed this 30th day of June, 1997

FIRST SOUTHERN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Geoffrey W. Roepstorff, President

CERTIFICATE OF EDISON BANCSHARES, INC.

In accordance with Section 607.1007 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, Edison Bancshares, Inc. (the "Corporation") has caused to be executed and delivered to the Florida Department of State the preceding Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation, which contain information requiring shareholder approval. Pursuant to Section 607.1006 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, attached hereto as Exhibit 1 are the Corporation's Articles of Amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate of Edison Baneshares, Inc. on the 30th day of June 1997.

EDISON BANCSHARES, INC.

Geoffrey W. Roepstorff, President