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August 13, 1997

G. Thomas Smith

Board Certified

Real Estate Attorney

Secretary of State Corporate Records Division Department of State Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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RE: Southern Star Investments, Inc.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is the signed original and a copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above corporation. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$70.00 representing the filing fee.

Please file the original of the enclosed Articles of Incorporation and return a date-stamped copy to me as evidence of filing.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at (904) 434-2761.

Sincerely,

Jan C. Cribbs

for G. Thomas Smith

GTS:jcc

Enclosures

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SOUTHERN STAR INVESTMENTS, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida General Corporation Act, does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I-NAME

The name of this corporation is SOUTHERN STAR INVESTMENTS, INC.

ARTICLE II-DURATION

This corporation shall have a perpetual existence, commencing on the date of filing with the Department of State.

ARTICLE III-PURPOSE

The general purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

- (1) To build and sell electronic and other merchandise at wholesale and retail and to invest in various types of electronic equipment, systems, and to own property, both real and personal, and to own and operate various types of business enterprises and business organizations.
- (2) To conduct and transact any business lawfully authorized and not prohibited by Chapter 607, Florida Statutes, as the same may be from time to time amended. Provided, however, and notwithstanding the generality of the foregoing, this corporation is not to conduct a banking, safe deposit, trust, insurance, surety, express, building and loan association, mutual fire insurance association, cooperative association, fraternal benefit society, state fair or exposition business.

ARTICLE IV-CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of capital stock that this corporation is authorized to issue and have outstanding at any one time is 10,000 shares of \$1.00 par value common stock.

ARTICLE V-INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation in the State of Florida is Smith & Sauer, P. A., 510 E. Zaragoza Street, Pensacola, Florida 32501. The name of the initial registered agent for the corporation at that address is G. Thomas Smith. The principal office of the corporation shall be 3336 Crestview Street, Gulf Breeze, Florida 32561.

ARTICLE VI-INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors is one (1). The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by an amendment of the bylaws of the corporation in the manner provided by law, but shall never be less than one (1).

The names and addresses of the initial directors of this corporation are:

Walter Dewayne Ray 3336 Crestview Street Gulf Breeze, FL 32561

ARTICLES VII-INCORPORATORS

The names and street addresses of the incorporators signing these Articles of Incorporation are:

Walter Dewayne Ray 3336 Crestview Street Gulf Breeze, FL 32561

ARTICLE VIII-BYLAWS

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

ARTICLE IX-AMENDMENT

The corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 12 to day of August, 1997.

With Silly My Walter Dewayne Ray

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ESCAMBIA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Walter Dewayne Ray, who () is personally known to me or who () produced a <u>a Florida</u> as identification and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledge that they subscribed the said instrument for the uses and purposes set forth therein.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County, and State last aforesaid this 12th day of August, 1997.



Vinted Name: JANICA 5. SUGAN. Notary Public Stamp:

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment of Registered Agent of Southern Star Investments, Inc., which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation. The undersigned is familiar with, and accepts, the obligations provided for in Section 607.325 of the Florida Statutes.

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