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ARTICLES OF MERGER Merger Sheet

MERGING:

FIRST FAMILY FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., a Florida corporation 167534

INTO

FIRST FAMILY FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.. a Delaware entity not qualified in Florida

File date: May 29, 2001

Corporate Specialist: Annette Ramsey

ARTICLES OF MERGER (Profit Corporations)

The following articles of merger are submitted in pursuant to section 607.1105, F.S.	n accordance with the Florida Bu	siness Corporation Act,
First: The name and jurisdiction of the <u>survivi</u>	ng corporation is:	OI NAY SECKET
Name First Family Financial Services, Inc.	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	Y 29 PM TANY OF S NASSEE, FL
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Second: The name and jurisdiction of each mer	g ing corporation is:	ATE RIDA
Name Einst Femily, Financial Services, Inc.	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	
First Family Financial Services, Inc.	Florida	
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Third: The Plan of Merger is attached.		
Fourth: The merger shall become effective on Department of State	the date the Articles of Merger ar	e filed with the Florida
OR / / (Enter a specific date than 90 days in the	. NOTE: An effective date cannot be pri future.)	ior to the date of filing or more
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(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Name of Corporation	Signature		Typed or Printed Name of Individual & Title		
First Family Financial Services, Inc. (a Delaware domestic)	Lucks ST		Linda S. Davis, Vice President Linda S. Davis, Vice President		
First Family Financial Services, Inc. (a Florida domestic)					
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PLAN OF MERGER

FIRST: First Family Financial Services, Inc. a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, shall merge with and into itself and assume the liabilities and obligations of the following corporations:

First Family Financial Services, Inc. (a Florida corporation)

First Family Home Equity, Inc. (a Georgia corporation)

First Family Financial Services Management Corporation (a Georgia corporation)

First Family Financial Services of Georgia, Inc. (a Georgia corporation)

First Family Financial Services, Inc. (a Louisiana corporation)

First Family Financial Services, Inc. (a Tennessee corporation)

The name of the surviving corporation is First Family Financial Services, Inc.

SECOND: All of the issued and outstanding shares of First Family Financial Services, Inc., the surviving corporation, are owned by Associates Financial Services Company, Inc., a Delaware corporation. On the effective date of the merger all of the issued and outstanding shares of the merging corporations, shall be canceled and no shares of the surviving corporation shall be issued in exchange therefor/

THIRD: The Articles of Incorporation of First Family Financial Services, Inc., shall be the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation surviving the merger. No changes or amendments shall be made to the Articles of Incorporation because of the merger.

FOURTH: The By-Laws of First Family Financial Services, Inc., shall be the By-Laws of the corporation surviving the merger.

FIFTH: The directors and officers of First Family Financial Services, Inc., shall be the directors and officers of the corporation surviving the merger and shall serve until their successors are selected.

SIXTH: The officers of each corporation party to the merger shall be and hereby are authorized to so all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the merger.

SEVENTH: The merger shall be effective upon the filing thereof.