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**TO: QUALIFICATION/TAX LIEN SECTION
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS**

SUBJECT: Summit Financing Inc.
(Name of corporation - must include suffix)

Dear Sir or Madam:

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida", "Certificate of Existence", and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign corporation to transact business in Florida.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

David H. Jones, Esq.
(Name of Person)
Kennedy Covington Lobdell & Hickman, LLP
(Firm/Company)
100 N. Tryon Street, Suite 4200
(Address)
Charlotte, NC 28202
(City, State and Zip Code)

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Should you need to call someone concerning this matter, please call:

David H. Jones at (704) 331 - 7481
(Name of Person) Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number

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Division of Corporations
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**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO
TRANSACTION BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

**IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS
SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACTION BUSINESS IN THE
STATE OF FLORIDA:**

1. Summit Financing, Inc.
(Name of corporation: must include the word "INCORPORATED", "COMPANY", "CORPORATION" or words or abbreviations of like import in language as will clearly indicate that it is a corporation instead of a natural person or partnership if not so contained in the name at present.)

2. North Carolina 3. Applied for
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. December 22, 1994 5. Perpetual
(Date of Incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. filing date of this application
(Date first transacted business in Florida. (See sections 607.1501, 607.1502, and 817.155, F.S.)

7. 212 S. Tryon Street, Suite 500
Charlotte, NC 28281
(Current mailing address)

8. Real estate investing, development and ownership
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in the state of Florida)

9. **Name and street address of Florida registered agent:**

Name: CT Corporation System

Office Address: 1200 South Pine Island Road

Plantation, Florida, 33602
(Zip Code)

10. **Registered agent's acceptance:**

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, 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.

JENNIFER F AULTMAN
(Registered agent's signature)

**JENNIFER F AULTMAN
ASSISTANT SECRETARY**

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

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12. Names and addresses of officers and/or directors:

A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: Michael L. Schwarz

Address: 212 S. Tryon Street, Suite 500

Charlotte, NC 28281

Vice Chairman: Michael G. Malone

Address: 212 S. Tryon Street, Suite 500

Charlotte, NC 28281

Director: Stephen H. Davenport, Jr.

Address: 313 N. Front Street

Wilmington, NC 28401

Director: N/A

Address: _____

B. OFFICERS

President: William F. Paulsen

Address: 212 S. Tryon Street, Suite 500

Charlotte, NC 28281

Exec. Vice President: Michael L. Schwarz

Address: 212 S. Tryon Street, Suite 500

Charlotte, NC 28281

Sr. Vice President and Secretary: Michael G. Malone

Address: 212 S. Tryon Street, Suite 500

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Treasurer: Michael L. Schwarz

Address: 212 S. Tryon Street, Suite 500

Charlotte, NC 28281

NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors.

Assistant Secretary---Judith M. Roller
212 S. Tryon Street, Suite 500, Charlotte, NC 28281

13.

(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14.

Michael G. Malone, Vice Chairman

(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

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CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

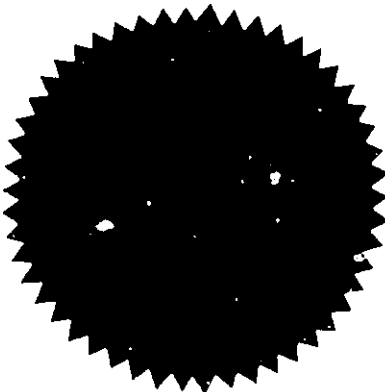
I, RUFUS L. EDMISTEN, *Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina*, do hereby certify that

SUMMIT FINANCING INC.

is a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of North Carolina, having been incorporated on the 22nd day of December, 1994, with its period of duration being perpetual.

I FURTHER *certify that the said corporation's articles of incorporation are not suspended for failure to comply with the Revenue Act of the State of North Carolina; that the said corporation is not administratively dissolved for failure to comply with the provisions of the North Carolina Business Corporation Act; that its most recent annual report required by G.S. 55-16-22 has been delivered to the Secretary of State; and that the said corporation has not filed articles of dissolution as of the date of this certificate.*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City of Raleigh, this 14th day of September, 1995.



Rufus L. Edmisten

Secretary of State

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