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# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Sandra B. Mortham Secretary of State

December 31, 1997

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Attn: Daniel Leggett Tallahassee, FL

SUBJECT: AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF ORLANDO, INC.

Ref. Number: P96000064505

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We have received your document for AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF ORLANDO, INC. and the authorization to debit your account in the amount of \$70.00. However, the document has not been filed and is being returned for the following:

Per our phone conversation, I am returning the enclosed merger document. As the document qualifying the surviving Pennsylvania corporation in Florida was rejected today, if I file the merger it will be merging the Florida corporation into a nonqualified corporation. Please return the qualification and merger together. I can file the merger on 12/30/97, but cannot backdate the merger to 12/22/97.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6901.

Susan Payne Senior Section Administrator

Letter Number: 897A00060988

Division of Corporations - P.O. BOX 6327 - Tallahassee, Florida 32314



# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Sandra B. Mortham Secretary of State

December 22, 1997

CSC

Attn: stephanie Stscherban

Tallahassee, FL

SUBJECT: AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF ORLANDO, INC.

Ref. Number: P96000064505

RESU Please give original submission date as file date.

We have received your document for AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF ORLANDO, INC. and the authorization to debit your account in the amount of \$.\footnote{10.00}\$ However, the document has not been filed and is being returned for the following:

Articles of Merger should be filed pursuant to 607.1105, Florida Statutes and should contain the date of adoption by the shareholders of each corporation (or by the board when a vote of the shareholders is not required) A merger guideline is enclosed for your convenience.

The surviving corporation is not qualified to transact business in Florida - therefore, the reference that it is a qualified foreign business corporation should be removed from 2(b).

For information purposes the registered office pursuant to Florida law is the address of the registered agent and not the principal/mailing address of the corporation.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days for your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6901.

Susan Payne Senior Section Administrator

Letter Number: 097A00059932

# ARTICLES OF MERGER Merger Sheet

MERGING:

AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF ORLANDO, INC., a FL corp., #P96000064505

into

AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF NORTH AMERICA, INC., a Pennsylvania corporation F97000006932

File date: December 30, 1997

Corporate Specialist: Susan Payne

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# ARTICLES OF MERGER-DOMESTIC BUSINESS CORPORATION

FLA.STAT. ANN. § 607.1105

In compliance with the requirements of FLA.STAT.ANN § 607.1105 (relating to articles of merger or consolidation), the undersigned business corporations, desiring to effect a merger, hereby state that:

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6.		adopted by the shareholders a pursuant to 15 PA. CS §192		of Automotive
7.	The plan of merger is set f	orth in full in Exhibit A attach	ed hereto and made a	part hereof.
Merger	to be signed by a duly auth	, each undersigned corporation $1$ norized officer thereof this $1$ ne merger was December	5th day of Decei	

Automotive Concepts of Orlando, Inc. (Name of Corporation)
BY: Charles D. Deringer
Signature:
Title: President
Automotive Concepts Warehouse, Inc. (to be renamed Automotive Concepts of North America, Inc.
BY: Charles D. Deringer
Signature:
Title: President

# **EXHIBIT A**

#### AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER

AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER dated this <u>15th</u> day of December, 1997, by and between AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF ORLANDO, INC., a Florida corporation (hereinafter referred to as "ACOI"), and AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS WAREHOUSE, INC., a Pennsylvania corporation (hereinafter referred to as "ACWI"), ACOL\_and ACWI sometimes being referred to as "Constituent Corporations").

### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, ACOI is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, having authorized capital stock of 1,000 shares of Common Stock without par value, of which 400 shares are issued and outstanding as of the date hereof, (200 of which are held by Charles D. Deringer and 200 of which are held by Thomas W. Reader, III); and

WHEREAS, ACWI is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having authorized capital stock of 1,000 shares of Common Stock, without par value, of which 200 shares are issued and outstanding, (100 of which are held by Charles D. Deringer and 100 of which are held by Thomas W. Reader, III); and

WHEREAS, the Boards of Directors of ACOI and ACWI have adopted resolutions declaring advisable the proposed merger (the "Merger") of ACOI with and into ACWI upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the shareholders of ACOI and ACWI have approved the merger of ACOI with and into ACWI upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, ACOI and ACWI, in consideration of the mutual covenants, agreements and provisions herein set forth, do hereby prescribe the terms and conditions of the Merger and the mode of carrying the same into effect, and do otherwise agree, as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

#### THE MERGER

- 1.1 The Merger. On the Effective Date (as hereinafter defined), ACOI shall be merged with and into ACWI, which shall survive the Merger (sometimes referred to as the "Surviving Corporation"). ACWI's name shall change to AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.
- 1.2 <u>Capitalization</u>. The number of authorized shares of the capital stock of ACWI upon the Effective Date shall be 10,000 shares of Common Stock without par value.
- 1.3 Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of Surviving

  Corporation.
- (a) The Articles of Incorporation of ACWI shall be amended as follows: ACWI's name shall be changed to AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF NORTH AMERICA, INC. and its authorized shares shall be increased to 10,000 shares without par value. Except for the

change in its name and increased authorized shares, the Articles of Incorporation of ACWI, as in effect immediately prior to the Effective Date, shall be and remain the Articles of Incorporation of the Surviving Corporation after giving effect to the Merger.

- (b) Except for the change in name from AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS WAREHOUSE, INC. to AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF NORTH AMERICA, INC., the Bylaws of ACWI shall not be amended or affected by the Merger. Accordingly, the Bylaws of ACWI, as in effect immediately prior to the Effective Date, shall be and remain the Bylaws of the Surviving Corporation after giving effect to the Merger.
  - 1.4 <u>Directors and Officers of Surviving Corporation</u>.
- (a) The directors of ACWI in office immediately prior to the Effective Date (Charles D. Deringer and Thomas W. Reader, III) shall be and remain in office as the directors of the Surviving Corporation after giving effect to the Merger until their successors shall have been elected and shall qualify in accordance with law and the Bylaws of the Surviving Corporation.
- (b) The officers of ACWI in office immediately prior to the Effective Date (Charles D. Deringer, President and Thomas W. Reader, III, Secretary and Treasurer) shall be and remain in office as the officers of the Surviving Corporation after giving effect to the Merger until their successors shall have been elected and shall qualify in accordance with law and the Bylaws of the Surviving Corporation.

1.5 <u>Effective Date</u>. This Agreement and Plan of Merger and the Merger contemplated hereby shall become effective on December 31, 1997, as of the close of business (the "Effective Date").

#### ARTICLE II

#### CAPITAL STOCK

- 2.1 <u>Capital Stock of ACWI</u>. Each share of <u>Common Stock</u> of ACWI issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Date (including shares held by ACWI as treasury stock) shall remain issued and outstanding and unaffected by the Merger.
- 2.2 <u>Capital Stock of ACOI</u>. Each share of Common Stock of ACOI issued and outstanding on the Effective Date shall be converted to one share of common stock of ACWI. On the Effective Date, all certificates representing shares of capital stock of ACOI shall be surrendered to ACWI for cancellation; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the failure to do so shall have no effect upon the Merger.

#### ARTICLE III

#### RIGHTS, PROPERTIES AND LIABILITIES

3.1 Rights, Properties and Liabilities of Constituent
Corporations. On the Effective Date, the separate existence of
ACOI shall cease, and it shall be merged with and into the
Surviving Corporation. The Surviving Corporation shall, from and
after the Effective Date, possess and own all the rights,

privileges, powers and franchises of whatsoever nature and description, of a public as well as of a private nature, and shall be subject to all of the restrictions, disabilities and duties of the Constituent Corporations; and all rights, privileges, powers and franchises of the Constituent Corporations and all property (real, personal and mixed), patents, trademarks, goodwill, licenses, registrations, permits and other assets of every kind and description, and all debts due to the Constituent Corporations on whatever account as well for stock subscriptions as all other things in action or belonging to each of the Constituent Corporations shall be vested in and devolve upon ACWI without further act or deed; and all property, rights, privileges, powers and franchises, and all and every other interest shall be thereafter as effectually the property of the Surviving Corporation as they were of the several and respective Constituent Corporations and the title to any real estate vested by deed or otherwise in the Constituent Corporations shall not revert to any other person or entity or be in any way impaired by reason of the Merger. All rights of creditors and all liens upon the property of the Constituent Corporations shall be preserved unimpaired, and all debts, liabilities and duties of the Constituent Corporations shall thenceforth attach to-the Surviving Corporation, and may be enforced against it to the same extent as if said debts, liabilities and duties had been incurred or contracted by it. Any claim existing or action or proceeding,

whether civil, criminal or administrative, pending by or against either of the Constituent Corporations may be prosecuted to judgment or decree as if the Merger had not taken place, or the Surviving Corporation may be substituted in such action or proceeding.

3.2 Further Assurances. ACOI agrees that any time, and from time to time, as and when requested by the Surviving Corporation, or by its successors and assignees, it will execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered in its name by its last acting officers, or by the corresponding officers of the Surviving Corporation, all such conveyances, assignments, transfers, deeds or other instruments, and will take or cause to be taken such further or other action as the Surviving Corporation, its successors and assigns may deem necessary or desirable in order to evidence the transfer, vesting or devolution of any property, right, privilege, or franchise, or to vest or perfect in or confirm to the Surviving Corporation, its successors and assignees, title to and possession of all of the property, rights, privileges, powers, immunities, franchises and interests of ACOI referred, or intended to be referred, to in this Article III, and otherwise to carry out the intent and purposes hereof and of the Merger. The officers and directors of the Surviving Corporation are fully authorized in the name of the Merged Corporation to take any and all such actions and execute

and deliver any and all such documents and writings as such officers deem appropriate.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### MISCELLANEOUS

- 4.1 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement and Plan of Merger may be executed in any number of counterparts or may be, where the same are not required, certified or otherwise delivered without the testimonium clause and signature; each such counterpart hereof shall be deemed to be an original instrument, but all such counterparts together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- 4.2 <u>Tax-Free Reorganization</u>. It is the intention of the parties hereto that the Merger qualify as a transaction under Section 368(a)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this Agreement and Plan of Merger, have caused these presents to be executed by their duly authorized officers as the respective act, deed and agreement of said parties as of the date first written above.

AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS OF ORLANDO, INC.

By:

Name: Charles D. Deringer

Title: President/

[Corporate Seal]

Attest/

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ame: Thomas W. Reader, III

Title: Secretary

AUTOMOTIVE CONCEPTS WAREHOUSE, INC

By:

Name: Charles D Derin

Title: President

[Corporate Seal]

Attest:

By:

Name: Thomas W. Reader, III

Title: Secretary