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# **ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION**

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# TROPICAL MARKETING ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a limited liability company under the Florida Limited Liability Company Act, Florida Statutes Chapter 608, hereby makes, acknowledges, and files the following Articles of Organization.

#### ARTICLE 1 - NAME

The name of the limited liability company shall be **TROPICAL MARKETING ASSOCIATES**, L.L.C., ("Company").

#### **ARTICLE 2 - ADDRESS**

The principal place of business of the Company in Florida shall be 912 Facilkner.

Street, New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168 and the mailing address shall be the same.

#### **ARTICLE 3 - EFFECTIVE DATE**

These Articles of Organization shall be effective immediately upon approval of the Secretary of State, State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE 4 - DURATION

Subject to the provisions of Article 9, the Company's existence shall terminate no later than 99 years from its date of commencement, unless the Company is earlier dissolved as provided in these Articles of Organization.

#### ARTICLE 5 - PURPOSES AND POWERS

The general purpose for which the Company is organized is to engage in the representation of manufacturing firms and to transact any lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Florida. The Company shall have all the powers granted to a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Florida.



### ARTICLE 6 - REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The initial address of registered office of this Company is Spiegel & Utrera, P.A., at 343 Almeria Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134. The name and address of the registered agent of this Company is Spiegel & Utrera, P.A., 343 Almeria Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134.

#### ARTICLE 7 - MANAGEMENT

The Managers of the Company shall be:

Operating Manager:

\_Albert M. Shoemaker, III

Secretary: Treasurer:

Vice Operating Manager: Diane S. Shoemaker Diane S. Shoemaker

Albert M. Shoemaker, III

whose addresses shall be the same as the mailing address of the Company

#### **ARTICLE 8 - ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS**

No additional member(s) shall be admitted to the Company except with the unanimous written consent of all the member(s) of the Company and upon such terms and conditions as shall be determined by all the member(s). A member may transfer his or her interest in the Company as set forth in the regulations of the Company, but the transferee shall have no right to participate in the management of the business and affairs of the Company or become a member unless all the other member(s) of the Company other than the member proposing to dispose of his or her interest approve of the proposed transfer by unanimous written consent.

#### ARTICLE 9 - TERMINATION OF EXISTENCE

The Company shall be dissolved upon the death, retirement, resignation, expulsion, bankruptcy, or dissolution of a member or manager, or upon the occurrence of any other event that terminates the continued membership of a member in the Company, unless the business of the Company is continued by the consent of all the remaining members, provided there are at least one remaining member.

## ARTICLE 10 - MEMBERS

The Managers of the Company shall be elected by the member(s) in accordance with regulations adopted by the member(s) for the management of the business and affairs of the Company. These regulations may contain any provisions for the regulation and management of the affairs of the Company not inconsistent with law or these Articles of Organization. The name and address of the member(s) of the Company are:

Albert M. Shoemaker, III 912 Faulkner Street New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168

Diane S. Shoemaker 912 Faulkner Street New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168



#### **ARTICLE 11 - INDEMNIFICATION**

The Corporation shall indemnify a director or officer of the Corporation who was wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which the director or officer was a party because the director or officer is or was a director or officer of the Corporation against reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by the director or officer in connection with the proceeding. The Corporation may indemnify an individual made a party to a proceeding because the individual is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation against liability if authorized in the specific case after determination, in the manner required by the board of directors, that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent, as the case may be, is permissible in the circumstances because the director, officer, employee or agent has met the standard of conduct set forth by the board of directors. The indemnification and advancement of attorney fees and expenses for directors, officers, employees and agents of the Corporation shall apply when such persons are serving at the Corporation's request while a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, as the case may be, as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or agent of another foreign or domestic Corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, whether or not for profit, as well as in their official capacity with the Corporation. The Corporation also may pay for or reimburse the reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation who is a party to a proceeding in advance of final disposition of the proceeding. The Corporation also may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of an individual arising from the individual's status as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, whether or not the Corporation would have power to indemnify the individual against the same liability under the law. All references in these Articles of Incorporation are deemed to include Nothing contained in these Articles of any amendment or successor thereto. Incorporation shall limit or preclude the exercise of any right relating to indemnification or advance of attorney fees and expenses to any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or the ability of the Corporation otherwise to indemnify or advance expenses to any such person by contract or in any other manner. If any word, clause or sentence of the foregoing provisions regarding indemnification or advancement of the attorney fees or expenses shall be held in alid as contrary to law or public policy, it shall be severable and the provisions semaining. shall not be otherwise affected. All references in these Articles of Incorporation to "director", "officer", "employee" and "agent" shall include the heirs estates, executors, administrators and personal representatives of such persons.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, The undersigned, an authorized representative of the members, has made and subscribed these Articles of Organization at Coral Gables, Florida, for the foregoing uses and purposes, this November 17, 1999.

Elsie Sanchez, Authorized Representative of the Members

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# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED IN ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

Spiegel & Utrera, P.A., having a business office identical with the registered office of the Company name above, and having been designated as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles of Organization, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under Section 608.4155, Florida Statutes and other applicable Florida Statutes.

Spiegel & Utrera, P.A.

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