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Department of State Division of Corporations PO Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

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Dear Sirs:

Please find enclosed an exicuted Articles of Incorporation for the not for profit <u>Village Package Plant Association Inc.</u> Also find a check for \$78.75 filing fee which includes the return of a certified copy to myself as an incorporator.

Sincerely,

Chris Schrader

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under Plorida PHI2: 45 Statutes Chapter 617, do hereby make and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation ASSEE, FLORIDA

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the Corporation is: Village Package Plant Association, Inc.

ARTICLE II - NOT FOR PROFIT

The Corporation is a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida. The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit. No part of the income or assets of the corporation is distributable to or for the benefit of its Members, Directors or Officers, except to the extent permissible under law.

ARTICLE III - DURATION

The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

<u>ARTICLE IV - PURPOSES</u>

The Corporation is organized not for profit, but is operated within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, more specifically, the corresponding Code Section 501(c)(19) Veterans Organizations. This Corporation will be operated exclusively for one or more of the following purposes:

- To carry on programs to foster responsible government. (a)
- To sponsor or participate in activities of a political or charitable nature; (b)
- To provide informational and education services for its members. (c)
- To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the State of Florida upon nonprofit (d) corporations, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to acquire by bequest, devise, gift, purchase, lease or otherwise any property of any sort or nature without limitation as to its amount or value, and to hold, invest, reinvest, manage, use, apply, employ, sell, expend, disburse, lease, mortgage, convey, option, donate or otherwise dispose of such property and the income, principal and proceeds of such property, for any of the purposes set forth herein.
- To do such other things as are incidental to the purposes of the Corporation or (e) necessary or desirable in order to accomplish them.
- To provide a voice of the people to be heard by government. (f)

ARTICLE V - LIMITATION

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its Members, Directors or Officers, but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 4 (Purposes) hereof.

ARTICLE VI - MEMBERSHIP

The qualifications of members and admission are that they are all residents or property owners in Monroe County, Florida.

ARTICLE VII - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE, PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address and mailing address of the initial Registered Office and Principal Office of the Corporation is 203 Apache Street, Tavernier, FL 33070, and the name of its initial Registered Agent at that address is Chris Schrader.

ARTICLE VIII - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The management of the Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors. The number of Directors constituting the initial board of Directors is for (4). The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the By-laws, but shall never be less than threa(3). The Voting Members shall elect the Directors bi-annually. The By-laws may provide for ex officio and honorary Directors, and their rights and privileges. The name and address of each initial Director of the Corporation is as follows:

Linda Meehan 79867 Overseas Hwy

Islamorada, FL 33036

Henry Rosenthal 101 Sapodilla Drive

Islamorada, FL 33036

Chris Schrader 203 apache Street

Tavernier, FL 33070

Scott Simmons 84001 Overseas Hwy. Islamorada, FL 33036

ARTICLE IX - OFFICERS

The Officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer and

such other Officers and Assistant Officers as may be provided in the By-laws. Each Officer shall be elected by the membership (and may be removed by the Board of Directors) at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the By-laws. The name and address of each initial Officers of the Corporation is as follows:

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ARTICLE X - INCORPORATORS

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<u>ARTICLE XI - BY-LAWS</u>

The By-laws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the Board of Directors, and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the Board of Directors.

<u>ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENT</u>

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and all rights and privileges conferred upon the Members, Directors and Officers are subject to this reservation. The Articles of Incorporation may be amended in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida, as amended from time to time, unless more specific provisions for amendments are

adopted by the Corporation pursuant to law.

ARTICLE XIII - CONDUCT OF ORGANIZATION

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its Members, Directors, Officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 4 hereof. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation may carry on activities permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, and other activities.

ARTICLE XIV - INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation shall indemnify each Officer and Director, including former Officers and Directors, to the full extent permitted by the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE XV - NON-STOCK BASIS

This Corporation is organized on a non-stock basis. This Corporation shall not issue shares of stock.

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this August 23, 2001.

Lindà Meehan, Incorporator

State of Florida County of Monroe

Before Me personally appeared Linda Meehan, to me well known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal this 23 day of August, 2001.

Notary Public

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KATHERINE ANN ABBOTT

(Seal)

KATHERINE ANN ABBOTT MY COMMISSION # CC 802165 EXPIRES: 01/13/2003

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In Witness Whereof, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this
August 24, 2001.
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Henry Rosenthal, Incorporator
State of Florida
County of Monroe Before Me personally appeared Henry Rosenthal, to me well known and known to me to
be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and
before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.
Wiffess my Wand and Micial seal this 244 day of August, 2001.
MY COMMISSION # CC 713738 EXPIRES: February 4, 2002
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In Witness Whereof, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this
August $\frac{22}{2}$, 2001.
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Chris Schrader, Incorporator
State of Florida
County of Monroe
Before Me personally appeared Chris Schrader, to me well known and known to me to be
the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.
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(Seal) Stamp, Type or Print Name
In Witness Whereof, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this
August 23, 2001.
August 35, 2001.
Scott Simmons, Incorporator
State of Florida
County of Monroe
Before Me personally appeared Scott Simmons, to me well known and known to me to be
the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.
Witness my hand and official seal this _3 _ day of August, 2001.
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Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as Registered Agent of Village Package Plant Association, Inc., which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

Dated this 23 day of August 2001.

Linda Meehan, Registered Agent

PO Box 971, Islamorada FL 33036