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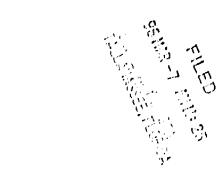
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR MARATHON DUPLEX CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for property pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopts the following Attleles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE 1 NAME

The name of the corporation shall be MARATHON DUPLEX CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC. For convenience, the corporation shall be referred to in this instrument as the "Association", these Articles of Incorporation as the "Articles", and the By-laws of the Association as the "By-laws".

ARTICLE 2 OFFICE

The principal office and mailing address of the Association shall be at 30 S.W. 59th Court, Miami. Florida 33144, or at such other place as may be subsequently designated by the Board of Directors. All books and records of the Association shall be kept at its principal office or at such other place as may be permitted by the Act.

ARTICLE 3 PURPOSE

The purpose for which the Association is organized is to provide an entity pursuant to the Florida Condominium Act as it exists on the date hereof (the "Act") for the operation of that certain condominium located in Monroe County, Florida, and known as MARATHON DUPLEX CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC. (the "Condominium").

ARTICLE 4 DEFINITIONS

The terms used in these Articles shall have the same definitions and meanings as those set forth in the Declaration of Condominium to be recorded in the Public Records of Dade County, Florida, unless herein provided to the contrary, or unless the context otherwise requires.

ARTICLE 5 POWERS

The powers of the Association shall include and be governed by the following:

5.1 <u>General</u>. The Association shall have all of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit under the Laws of

Florida, except as expressly limited or restricted by the terms of these. Articles, the Declaration, the By-laws or the Act.

- 5.2 Enumeration. The Association shall have all of the powers and duties set forth in the Act, except as limited by these Articles, the By-laws and the Declaration (to the extent that they are not in conflict with the Act), and all of the powers and duties reasonably necessary to operate the Condominium pursuant to the Declaration and as more particularly described in the By-Laws, as they may be amended from time to time, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - (a) To make and collect Assessments and other charges against members as Unit Owners (whether or not such sums are due and payable to the Association), and to use the proceeds thereof in the exercise of its powers and duties.
 - (b) To buy, accept, own, operate, lease, sell, trade and mortgage both real and personal property in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration.
 - (c) To maintain, repair, replace, reconstruct, add to and operate the Condominium Property and/or Association Property, and other property acquired or leased by the Association.
 - (d) To purchase insurance upon the Condominium
 Property and Association Property and
 insurance for the protection of the
 Association, its officers, directors and Unit
 Owners.
 - (e) To make and amend reasonable rules and regulations for the maintenance, conservation and use of the Condominium Property and Association Property and for the health, comfort, safety and welfare of the Unit Owners.
 - (f) To approve or disapprove the leasing, transfer, ownership and possession of Units as may be

provided by the Declaration,

- (g) To enforce by legal means the provisions of the Act, the Declaration, these Articles, the By-Laws, and the rules and regulations for the use of the Condominium Property and Association Property.
- (h) To employ personnel to perform the services required for the proper operation of the Condominium and the Association Property.
- (i) TO execute all documents or consents, on behalf of all Unit Owners (and their mortgagees), required by all governmental and/or quasi-governmental agencies in connection with land use and development matters (including, without limitation, plats, waivers of plat, unities of title, covenants in lieu thereof, etc.), and in that regard, each Owner, by acceptance of the deed to such Owner's Unit, appoints and designates the Board of Directors of the Association as such Owner's agent and attorney-in-fact to execute, any and all such documents or consents.
- 5.3 <u>Association Property</u>. All funds and the title to all properties acquired by the Association and their proceeds shall be held for the benefit and use of the members in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration, these Articles and the By-Laws.
- 5.4 <u>Distribution of Income</u>; <u>Dissolution</u>. The Association shall not pay a dividend to its members and shall make no distribution of income to its members, directors or officers, and upon dissolution, all assets of the Association shall be transferred only to another non-profit corporation or a public agency or as otherwise authorized by the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act (Chapter 617, Florida Statutes).
- 5.5 <u>Limitation</u>. The powers of the Association shall be subject to and shall be exercised in accordance with the provisions hereof and of the Declaration, the By-Laws and the Act, provided that in the event of conflict, the provisions of the Act shall control over those of the Declaration and By-Laws.

ARTICLE 6 MEMBERS

- 6.1 <u>Membership</u>. The members of the Association shall consist of all of the record title owners of Units in the Condominium from time to time, and after termination of the Condominium, shall also consist of those who were members at the time of such termination, and their successors and assigns.
- 6.2 <u>Assignment</u>. The share of a member in the funds and assets of the Association cannot be assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to the Unit for which that share is held.
- 6.3 Voting. On all matters upon which the membership shall be entitled to vote, each Unit Owner shall be entitled to cast one vote which shall be equal to 50% of the undivided ownership interest in the Common Elements. All votes shall be exercised or east in the manner provided by the Declaration and By-laws.
- 6.4 <u>Meetings</u>. The By-laws shall provide for an annual meeting of members, and may make provision for regular and special meetings of members other than the annual meeting.

ARTICLE 7 TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Association shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE 8 INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of this Corporation is:

NAME

<u>ADDRESS</u>

Jaime M. Gonzalez

30 S.W. 59th Court Miami, Florida 33144

ARTICLE 9 OFFICERS

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the officers holding the offices designated in the By-laws. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors of the

Association at its first meeting following the annual meeting of the members of the Association and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. The By-laws may provide for the removal from office of officers, for filing vacancies and for the duties and qualifications of the officers. The names and addresses of the officers who shall serve until their successors are designated by the Board of Directors are as follows:

President

Ovidio Rodriguez

6755 S.W. 75th Avenue

Miami, Fl. 33143

Vice President

Alicia Rodriguez

6755 S.W. 75th Avenue

Miaml, Fl. 33143

Secretary

Jaime M. Gonzalez

30 S.W. 59th Court

Miami, Fl. 33144

Treasurer

Hedda Gonzalez

30 S.W. 59th Court Miami, Fl. 33I44

ARTICLE 10 DIRECTORS

- 10.1 <u>Number and Qualification</u>. The property, business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a board consisting of the number of directors determined in the manner provided by the By-laws, but which shall consist of not less than (2) directors. Directors need be members of the Association.
- 10.2 <u>Duties and Powers</u>. All of the duties and powers of the Association existing under the Act, if Declaration, these Articles and the By-laws shall be exercised exclusively by the Board of Directors, its agents, contractors or employees, subject only to approval by Unit Owners when such approval is specifically required.
- 10.3 <u>Election: Removal.</u> Directors of the Association shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members in the manner determined by and subject to the qualifications set forth in

the By-laws. Directors may be removed and vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled in the manner provided by the By-Laws.

10.4 <u>First Directors</u>. The names and addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have taken office, as provided in the By-laws, are as follows:

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10.6Standards. A Director shall discharge his duties as a director, including any duties as a member of a Committee: in good faith, with the care an ordinary prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances: and in a manner reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the Association. Unless a Director has knowledge concerning a matter in question that makes reliance unwarranted, a Director, in discharging his duties, may rely on information, opinions, reports or statements, including financial statements and other data, if prepared or presented by: one or more officers or employees of the Association whom the Director reasonably believes to be reasonable and competent in the manners presented; legal counsel, public accountants or other persons as to matters the Director reasonably believes are within the persons' professional or expert competence; or a Committee of which the Director is not a member if the Director reasonably believes the Committee merits confidence. A director, is not liable for any action taken as a director, or any failure to take action, if he performed the duties of his office in compliance with the foregoing standards.

<u>ARTICLE 11</u> BY-LAWS

The first By-Laws of the Association shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be altered, amended or rescinded in the manner provided in the By-laws and the Declaration.

ARTICLE 12 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Articles shall be proposed and adopted in the following manner:

- 12.1 Notice. Notice of a proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of any meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be considered and shall be otherwise given in the time and manner provided in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. Such notice shall contain the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be affected thereby.
- 12.2 Adoption. Amendments shall be proposed and adopted in the manner provided in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes and in the Act (the latter to control over the former to the extend provided for in the Act)
- 12.3 Recording. A copy of each amendment shall be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to the provisions of applicable Florida law, and a copy certified by the Secretary of State shall be recorded in the public records of Dade County, Florida with an identification on the first page thereof of the book and page of said public records where the Declaration was recorded which contains, as an exhibit, the initial recording of these Articles.

ARTICLE 13 INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE; ADDRESS AND NAME OF REGISTERED AGENT

The initial registered office of this corporation shall be c/o Cristina De Oliveira, Esq. De Oliveira & Associates, P.A., 2701 Le Jeune Road Suite 345, Coral Gables, Fl. 33134 with the privilege of having its office and branch offices at other places within or without the State of Florida. The initial registered agent at that address shall be Cristina De Oliveira.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Incorporator has affixed his signature the day and year set forth below.

kime M. Gonzalez, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DADE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 4 day of January, 1996 by Jaime M. Gonzalez, who is personally known to me or who has produced as identification.

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with the laws of Florida, the following is submitted:

First -- That desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal place of office, as indicated in the foregoing articles of incorporation, in the County of Dade, State of Florida, the Association named in the said articles has named Cristina De Oliveira e/o De Oliveira & Associates, P.A., 2701 Le Jeune Road Suite 345, City National Bank Bldg., Coral Gables, Fl. 33134 as its statutory registered agent.

Having been named the statutory agent of said Association at the place designated in this certificate. I am familiar with the obligations of that position, and hereby accept the same and agree to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of Florida law relative to keeping the registered office open.

Name: Cristina De Oliveira

Registered Agent

DATED this 4 day of January, 1996

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