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To Whom It May Concern:

We are enclosing Articles of Incorporation of Opportunity Closet, Inc. and a check for \$122.50 for filing.

Please transmit the certificate of incorporation and certified copy of the articles to the undersigned at the above address.

Very truly yours,


Robert M. Johnson

Encl: Check \$122.50
Articles of Inc., in duplicate

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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OPPORTUNITY CLOSET, INC.

A Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation

The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a corporation desiring to form a not-for-profit corporation under the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I

NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of the corporation is: Opportunity Closet, Inc.; and the initial principal address of the corporation is: 250 South Tamiami Trail, Suite 201, Venice, Florida 34285.

ARTICLE II

CORPORATE EXISTENCE

The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual, unless dissolved according to law. Corporate existence shall commence upon the filing of the Articles of Incorporation by the Department of State for the State of Florida.

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt to organizations described in section 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Code or corresponding sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State or local government for exclusive public purpose.

ARTICLE III

PURPOSES

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are as follows:

1. To function as a non-profit charitable organization for the primary benefit of Florida residents who are referred by the Work and Gain Economic Sufficiency (WAGES) Program of the Florida Department of Labor, the Florida Department of Children and Family Services and Community Work-Ready Programs for the purpose of outfitting the individuals with suitable clothing for job interviews and where necessary to expand the individuals' wardrobe to retain employment. The program is to assist the Federal and State initiative to eliminate

Welfare as a way of life.

2. To operate locations where individuals will be clothed and fitted for job interviews and employment.

3. To operate exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

4. To conduct programs, meetings, events, and activities; raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and bequests of money and property; acquire, receive, hold, invest and administer, in its own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other property, real or personal; and make expenditures to or for the direct or indirect benefit of the corporation's purposes.

5. To receive and hold by gift, bequest or purchase any real or personal property and to manage, invest and reinvest the same and to use and dispose of the same for scientific, educational or charitable purposes, all for the advancement of the corporation's purposes and objectives and the encouragement and continuation of their established goals and objectives; to hold, either absolutely or in trust for any of said purposes, funds and property of all kinds subject only to any limitations or conditions imposed by law or the instrument under which said property is received; to sell, lease, convey or otherwise dispose of any such property and to invest and reinvest the same or any proceeds thereof and to deal with and expand the principal and income for any of said purposes; to act as trustee; and, in general, to exercise any, all, and every power, including trust powers, which a corporation not for profit organized under the laws of the State of Florida for the foregoing purposes can be authorized to exercise.

6. To increase public awareness of the needs of people with developmental disabilities through programs, social functions, activities, projects and events.

7. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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 herein. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

8. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under §501(c)(3), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law). This corporation shall utilize all donations, contributions, gifts, and bequests for the purposes which promote, advance and

encourage the spirit of the purposes as set forth in Article III.

ARTICLE IV

POWERS

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

To carry on any business whatsoever which the corporation may deem proper or convenient in connection with any of the foregoing purposes or otherwise, or which may be calculated, directly or indirectly, to promote the interests of this corporation or to enhance the value of its property, to conduct its business in this State, and to hold, purchase, mortgage and convey real and personal property, either in or out of the State of Florida, and to have and to exercise all the powers conferred by the State of Florida upon corporations not for profit formed under the Act pursuant to and under which this corporation is formed.

ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP

The corporation will not have members.

ARTICLE VI

REGISTERED OFFICE

The address and city of the initial registered office of the corporation is: 250 South Tamiami Trail, Suite 201, Venice, Florida 34285 and the registered agent at such address is: Barbara J. Harle.

ARTICLE VII

DIRECTORS

The business affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors of no less than three (3) persons and no more than twenty-five (25) persons. The number of Directors and the term of office and manner of election shall be as provided by the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII

The names and addresses of each incorporator are:

Barbara J. Harle
3621 White Sulphur Place
Sarasota, Florida 34232

Jerry Woelfel
434 Lyons Bay Road
Nokomis, Florida 34275

Harriot Baker
3955 Venice Avenue East
Venice, Florida 34292

ARTICLE IX

OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers of the corporation shall be a President, Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided in the By-Laws. The duties of each officer shall be set forth in the By-Laws.

Section 2: The names of the persons who are to serve as officers of the corporation for the ensuing year, or until the first annual meeting of the corporation, are:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>
President	Barbara J. Harle 3621 White Sulphur Place Sarasota, Florida 34232
Vice President	Jerry Woelfel 434 Lyons Bay Road Nokomis, Florida 34275
Secretary	Harriot Baker 3955 Venice Avenue East Venice, Florida 34292
Treasurer	Harriot Baker 3955 Venice Avenue East Venice, Florida 34292

ARTICLE X

BY-LAWS

Section 1: The Board of Directors of this corporation may provide such By-Laws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they may deem necessary from time to time.

Section 2: Upon proper notice, the By-Laws may be amended, altered or rescinded by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE XI

AMENDMENTS

Section 1: These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a special meeting of the directors called for that purpose, by a majority vote of those present.

Section 2: Amendments may also be made at a regular meeting of the membership upon notice given, as provided by the By-Laws, of intention to submit such amendments, by a majority of those present.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscribers have executed these Articles of Incorporation on this 27th day of October, 1997.

Barbara J. Harle
Barbara J. Harle

Jerry Woelfel
Jerry Woelfel

Harriet Baker
Harriet Baker

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CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

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Pursuant to the provisions of section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the state of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the state of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is: OPPORTUNITY CLOSET, INC.
2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is: Barbara J. Harle, 250 South Tamiami Trail, Suite 201, Venice, Florida 34285.

SIGNATURE Barbara J Harle
(corporate officer)
TITLE Resident Agent
DATE 10-21-97

HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, 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 RELATING TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE OBLIGATIONS OF MY POSITION AS REGISTERED AGENT.

SIGNATURE Barbara J Harle
DATE 10-21-97

REGISTERED AGENT FILING FEE: \$35.00