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March 2, 1998

Secretary of State Division of Corporations 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301 VIA REGULAR U.S. MAIL

RE: Lynn Haven Business and Professional Partners, Inc.

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To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find the following in connection with the above-referenced:

- 1. Original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation and Acceptance of Registered Agent; and
- 2. Check No. 1 in the amount of \$122.50 to cover the cost of filing.

Please file the enclosed Articles upon receipt and return a certified copy to us at the above address.

Thank you very much for your assistance with this matter and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,

Shannon L. Stopka

Paralegal to Albert J. Stopka,

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Enclosure(s)



#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

# LYNN HAVEN BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL PARTNERS, INC.

### a Florida Not For Profit Corporation

The undersigned persons, acting as incorporator of a corporation not for profit under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopting the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this corporation is Lynn Haven Business and Professional Partners, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II - DURATION

This corporation shall have perpetual duration.

#### ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The corporation is a not for profit corporation. The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

- (a) The specific and primary purpose for which this corporation is formed is to effectively join the business owners of Lynn Haven for the common purpose of pooling resources in order to enhance the quality of life and business.
- (b) The general purposes for which this corporation is formed are to operate exclusively for purposes of promoting and enhancing Lynn Haven businesses, which activity will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code

or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, including, for those purposes, the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as tax exempt organizations under that Code.

(c) This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution of any statements or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, except that the corporation shall be allowed to appear before and submit statements to local governing bodies with respect to legislation or proposed legislation of direct interest to the members and may communicate information between the corporation and its members regarding local legislation or proposed legislation of direct interest to the organization or its members.

#### ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

The corporation shall have a membership distinct from the board of directors. The authorized number and qualifications of the members of the corporation, the manner of their admission, the different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of members, and their liability for dues and assessments and the method of collecting dues and assessments shall be as regulated in the Bylaws.

# ARTICLE V - INITIAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 1602 Ohio Avenue, City of Lynn Haven, County of Bay,

State of Florida, 32444 and the mailing address is 1812 South Hwy. 77, Suite 115, Lynn Haven, Florida 32444. The name of its initial registered agent is Albert J. Stopka, III, Esq. whose address is 1007 Jenks Avenue, Panama City, Florida 32401.

#### ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, property controlled and its affairs conducted by a board of directors. The number of directors of the corporation shall be not less than three and not more than fifteen; provided, however, that number may be changed by a bylaw duly adopted pursuant to the Bylaws of this corporation. The directors named here as the first board of directors shall hold office until the first meeting of members, at which time an election of directors shall be held. The method, time and manner of the election of directors and meetings of the Board of Directors and of the members shall be governed by the Bylaws.

The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

#### Name

# Address

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Richard Filippi	810 Florida Avenue, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
Jessica Hughson	1812 S. Hwy. 77, Box 115, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
David Powell	2305 Hwy. 77, Panama City, FL 32405
Bill Kirkland, Jr.	2518 Hwy. 77, Suite E, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
Bill Hewett	517 Airport Road, Road, Panama City, FL 32405
Oliver Bachmann	824 Ohio Avenue, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
Dale Mortinson	1101 Ohio Avenue, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
Valerie Farish	401 W. 14th Street, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
Albert J. Stopka, III	1007 Jenks Avenue, Panama City, FL 32401
Doug Davis	2500 Minnesota Avenue, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
Anita Samson	1602 Ohio Avenue, Lynn Haven, Florida 32444
Vickie Carson	2112 S. Hwy. 77, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
David Harless	509 Harrison Avenue, Panama City, FL 32401
	Richard Filippi Jessica Hughson David Powell Bill Kirkland, Jr. Bill Hewett Oliver Bachmann Dale Mortinson Valerie Farish Albert J. Stopka, III Doug Davis Anita Samson Vickie Carson

#### ARTICLES VII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is Anita Samson, 1602
Ohio Avenue, Lynn Haven, Florida 32444.

## ARTICLES VIII - OFFICERS

The board of directors shall elect the following officers: president, treasurer and secretary, and any other officer which the Bylaws of this corporation authorize the directors to elect. Initially, officers shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the board of directors. Until the election is held, the following persons shall serve as corporate officers:

PRESIDENT: Anita Samson

1602 Ohio Avenue, Lynn Haven, FL 32444

SECRETARY:

Vickie Carson

2112 S. Hwy. 77, Lynn Haven, FL 32444

TREASURER:

David Harless

509 Harrison Avenue, Panama City, FL 32401

#### ARTICLES IX - PROPERTY DEDICATION

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to the purposes stated herein and in the Bylaws, which purpose shall be consistent with section 501(c)(6), Internal Revenue Code, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member, or to the benefit of any private individual.

#### ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION

On the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all

debts and liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed as directed in the Bylaws.

## ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENT

Amendments to these articles of incorporation my be proposed by a resolution adopted by the board of directors and presented to a quorum of members for their vote. Amendments may be adopted by a vote of at least two-thirds of a quorum of members of the corporation.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, being the incorporator of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this not for profit corporation under the Laws of Florida, have executed these articles of incorporation on this  $2^{nd}$  day of  $\frac{March}{}$ , 1998.

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF BAY

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of Lynn Haven Business and Professional Partners, Inc., was acknowledged before me this 200 day of 1000 , 1998, by Anita Samson, who: (notary must check applicable box)

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Notary Public CC493609 Commission # CC493609 My Commission Expires: 12-13

## ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT

OF

# LYNN HAVEN BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL PARTNERS, INC. a Florida Not For Profit Corporation

Having been named to accept service of process for the abovenamed corporation, at the place designated in the Articles of Incorporation, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act of Florida relative to keeping open said office.

Dated this 2 day of March, 1998.

Albert J. Stopka, III, Esq. Ledman, Hamm & Stopka, P.A.

1007 Jenks Avenue

Panama City, Florida, 32401

Registered Agent

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