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MANASOTA SPECIALTY CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, INC.

(A Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation)

The undersigned, acting as incorporator, for the purpose of forming a Not-For-Profit Corporation pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

<u>Name</u>

The name of this Corporation is:

MANASOTA SPECIALTY CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE II

Principal Place of Business and Mailing Address

The principal place of business and mailing address of this Corporation shall be:

2250 Aspinwall Street Sarasota, FL 34237

ARTICLE III

Purpos<u>e</u>

The specific purposes for which the Corporation is organized are:

- (1) to deal with trade and promotional problems of subcontractors of the building construction industry in the Southwest Florida area and the State of Florida.
- (2) to act as a trade association for its members and, as such, to perform for its members those services which can better be performed as a group than separately.

- (3) to cooperate with general contractors, architects and other segments of the building construction industry and their associations, with existing associations of subcontractors, and with organizations representing the building trade and all lawful matters of interest to the building construction industry.
- (4) to do any and all lawful acts and things to help the building construction industry better serve the public; to promote any legitimate common interest of its members.
- (5) the Corporation shall not be operated for pecuniary gain or profit, nor will any part of income or assets of the Association be distributed or allowed to inure to the benefit of any individual for any purpose other than those for which this Corporation is formed.
- (6) to seek new legislation and modification of existing legislation which serve the best interests of the members of the Corporation and the public, and to promote any legitimate common interest of its members.

ARTICLE IV

Manner of Election of Directors

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed shall be governed by the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V

<u>Initial Directors</u>

This Corporation shall have eight (8) Directors initially. The name and address of each member of the first Board of Directors is:

Mark Anderson P.O. Box 78 Oneco, FL 34267 Gerry Daw 5647 Lawton Drive Sarasota, FL 34233

John DeAnthony 2250 Aspinwall Street Sarasota, FL 34237

Michael S. Bennett 7011 301 Blvd. Sarasota, FL 34243

Gary Johnson 715 Gantt Avenue Sarasota, FL 34232

Ron Kauffman 1035 N. Lime Avenue Sarasota, FL 34237

Dave Lennon 323 Cattleman Road Sarasota, FL 34232

Pat Leuthold P.O. Box 45123 Sarasota, FL 32230

ARTICLE VI

Limitation of Corporate Powers

The corporate powers of this Corporation are as provided in Section 617.0302, Florida Statutes. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

ARTICLE VII ___

Dissolution of Corporation

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the assets remaining shall be distributed in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation, however, in no event shall the assets of the Corporation be

distributed or inure to the benefit of any individual member of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

Initial Registered Agent and Street Address

The street address of the registered office of this Corporation and the registered agent at such office is:

John DeAnthony 2250 Aspinwall Street Sarasota, FL 34237

ARTICLE IX

<u>Incorporator</u>

The name and street address of the incorporator for these Articles of Incorporation is:

John DeAnthony 2250 Aspinwall Street Sarasota, FL 34237

The undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 15th day of January 1999

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Incorporator

Having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for MANASOTA SPECIALTY CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, INC., at the place designated in the Articles, 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.

Date: 1-15-99

Registered Agent

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