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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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SECRETARY OF STATE
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SOUTHERN SURGICAL GROUP, INC A NONPROFIT CORPORATION

We, the undersigned, with other persons being _____ desirous of forming a nonprofit corporation, under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do agree to the following: _____

ARTICLE I.

The name of the corporation shall be:

SOUTHERN SURGICAL GROUP, INC.

The address of the principal office of this corporation shall be 1318 Oak Street, Melbourne, Florida 32901, and the mailing address of the corporation shall be the same.

ARTICLE II.

The general purpose of the business or businesses to be transacted by this corporation, together with and in addition to the authority and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida is a risk purchasing group. The purpose of which is to purchase or arrange for the purchase of liability insurance for physicians that are practicing in a surgical speciality and are on the staff of a "JCAHO" accredited hospital and any other purpose consistent with 627.942(8) FL statutes.

ARTICLE III

The manner in which the directors are to be elected or appointed is as stated in the by-laws.

ARTICLE IV

The name and address of the incorporator of these

Articles is David D. Warren, 1318 Oak Street, Melbourne Florida,

32901.

ARTICLE V

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VI

All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the corporation managed under the direction of its Board of Directors, subject to any limitation set forth in these Articles of Incorporation. This corporation shall have three directors, initially. The name and street addresses of the initial members of the Board of Directors are:

David D. Warren 1318 Oak Street,
Dir. Melbourne, Florida 32901
Shiela D. Newton same

Dir.

Bonnie Jean Warren same

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ARTICLE VII

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation shall be 1318 Oak Street, Melbourne, Florida, 32901, and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is David D. Warren.

I, the undersigned, being the original Incorporator of the foregoing corporation, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes the proposed Articles of Incorporation of David D. Warren, and I hereby declare and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

DAVID D. WARREN, Incorporator

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ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

David D. Warren, an individual residing in this state, having a business office identical with the registered office of the corporation named below, and having been designated as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation of:

SOUTHERN SURGICAL GROUP, INC.

David D. Warren is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under Section 617 Florida Statutes.

Typed Name: David D. Warren

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