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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF EMPRESS GARDEN ASSOCIATES, INC.

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The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation for

profit under the laws of Florida, hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

# ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is EMPRESS GARDEN ASSOCIATES, INC.

#### ARTICLE II Principal Office

The principal office and mailing address of the corporation shall be 3020 Hartley Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, FL 32257.

#### ARTICLE III Duration

This corporation shall exist perpetually. Corporate existence shall commence on the date these Articles are executed, except that if they are not filed by the Department of State of the State of Florida within five (5) days, exclusive of legal holidays after they are executed and acknowledged, corporate existence shall commence upon filing by the Department of State.

#### ARTICLE IV Nature of Business

This corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting any or all lawful business.

### ARTICLE V Capital Stock

- (a) <u>Authorized Capital</u>. The maximum number of shares of stock which this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is One Thousand (1000) shares of common stock having a par value of \$.01 per share.
- (b) <u>Preemptive Rights</u>. Shareholders shall have no preemptive rights.
- (c) <u>Cumulative Voting</u>. Cumulative voting shall not be permitted.

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(d) <u>Restrictions on Transfer of Stock</u>. The shareholders may, by bylaw provision or by shareholders' agreement recorded in the minute book, impose such restrictions on the sale, transfer or encumbrance of the stock of this corporation as they may see fit.

### ARTICLE VI Initial Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is Naim Sacic, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is 3020 Hartley Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, FL 32257.

### ARTICLE VII Directors

- (a) <u>Number</u>. This corporation shall have one (1) director(s) initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by the bylaws, but shall never be less than one.
- (b) <u>Initial Directors</u>. The name and street address of the members of the first board of directors of the corporation are:

Naim Sacic 3020 Hartley Road Suite 300 Jacksonville, FL 32257

- (c) <u>Compensation</u>. The shareholders of this corporation shall have the exclusive authority to fix the compensation of directors of this corporation.
- (d) <u>Indemnification</u>. The board of directors is hereby specifically authorized to make provision for indemnification of directors, officers, employees and agents to the full extent permitted by law.

#### ARTICLE VIII Bylaws

The initial bylaws of this corporation shall be adopted by the directors. Bylaws shall be adopted, altered, amended or repealed from time to time by either the shareholders or the board of directors, but the board of directors shall not alter, amend or repeal any bylaw adopted by the shareholders if the shareholders specifically provide that such bylaw is not subject to amendment or repeal by the directors.

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## ARTICLE IX Incorporator

The name and street address of the incorporator of this corporation is:

Naim Sacic 3020 Hartley Road Suite 300 Jacksonville, FL 32257

#### ARTICLE X Amendment

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation and any rights conferred upon the shareholders are subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the incorporator has executed these Articles the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2000. \_\_\_\_\_

Naim Sacic

#### CERTIFICATION DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 48.091, <u>FLORIDA STATUTES</u>, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

EMPRESS GARDEN ASSOCIATES, INC., DESIRING TO ORGANIZE OR QUALIFY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA WITH ITS PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, STATE OF FLORIDA, HAS NAMED NAIM SACIC, LOCATED AT 3020 HARTLEY ROAD, SUITE 300, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32257, AS ITS AGENT TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA.

Naim Sacic

Dated: January 13, 2000

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY AND I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES.

Naim Sacic

Dated: January 13, 2000

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