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#### FLORIDA PROFIT CORPORATION OR P.A.

SOUTHERN TRUST SECURITIES HOLDING CORP.

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SOUTHERN TRUST SECURITIES HOLDING CORP.

The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### **ARTICLE 1**

#### NAME

The name of the corporation is SOUTHERN TRUST SECURITIES HOLDING CORP.

#### <u>ARTICLE II</u>

#### DURATION AND BEGINNING OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE

The corporation shall exist perpetually. The date when the corporate existence of this corporation shall be on the date of filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State.

#### <u>ARTICLE III</u>

#### NATURE OF BUSINESS

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

#### ARTICLE IV

#### CAPITAL STOCK

The corporation is authorized to have outstanding one class of stock designated as common stock. The maximum number of shares of common stock which the corporation is authorized to have outstanding is 1,000 shares of Common Stock of a par value of \$1.00 per share. Holders of Common Stock are entitled to vote on all questions required by law on the basis of one vote per share and there shall be no cumulative voting. Holders of Common Stock shall have preemptive rights to subscribe to the corporation's securities.

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#### ARTICLE V

#### INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation in the State of Florida is 800 Douglas Road, Suite 240, Coral Gables, Florida 33134, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Robert J. Escobio.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The initial principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 800 Douglas Road, Suite 240, Coral Gables, Florida 33134.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator subscribing to these Articles of Incorporation is Robert J. Escobio, 800 Douglas Road, Suite 240, Coral Gables, Florida 33134.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The names and street addresses of the initial Officers and Directors, who shall hold office the first day of the corporation's existence until their successors are elected are:

Officers:

President/Secretary/

Robert J. Escobio

800 Douglas Rd., Stc. 240

Treasurer:

Coral Gables, FL 33134

Director:

Robert J. Escobio

#### ARTICLEIX

#### INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify to the full extent permitted by law, any officer, director, employee or agent of the corporation, or any former officer, director, employee or agent of the corporation, or any person who at the request of the corporation is or was serving as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 24th day of January, 2000.

Robert J. Escobio, Incorporator

# CERTIFICATE OF REGISTERED AGENT OF SOUTHERN TRUST SECURITIES HOLDING CORP.

Pursuant to Section 607.0501 and 607.0505 of the Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance therewith:

That SOUTHERN TRUST SECURITIES HOLDING CORP., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, has named Robert J. Escobio, 800 Douglas Road, Suite 240, Coral Gables, County of Miami-Dade, State of Florida, agent to accept service of process within the State.

#### <u>ACKNOWLEDGMENT</u>

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept 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, including the obligations provided in Florida Statutes Section 607.0505.

Dated this 24th day of January, 2000.

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