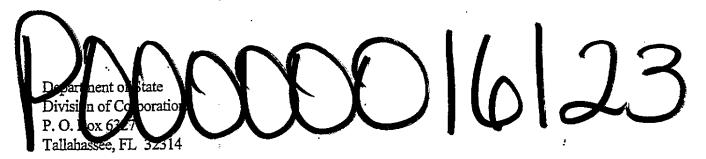
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF TIDAL SURGE, INC.

The undersigned natural person, of legal age acting as Incorporator under the provisions of Chapter 607, Florida Statues, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

Name and Address of Corporation

The name of this Corporation shall be TIDAL SURGE, INC. The address of this Corporation shall be 2032 Cynthia Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32303.

ARTICLE II Principal Place of Business and Mailing Address

The principal business and mailing address of the Corporation shall be 2032 Cynthia Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32303.

ARTICLE III Purposes

This Corporation may engage in the consumer finance business and in any other activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States of America and the of Florida.

ARTICLE IV Board of Directors

The business of the Corporation shall be managed initially by a board of one (1) director. The number of directors may be, as provided in the By-Laws, increase or decreased, but shall never be less than one (1) director. The name and address of the director constituting the initial board is:

Name =

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Kathryn D. Bufkin

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ARTICLE V

Corporate Powers

The corporate powers of this Corporation are as provided in §607.0302, Fla.Stat.

ARTICLE VI

Initial Registered Office and Agent

The address of this Corporation's initial registered office in Florida is 1407 Piedmont Drive East, Tallahassee, Florida 32312, and the name of its initial registered agent at said address is Wm. Scott Lindsey.

ARTICLE VII

Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is as follows:

Name

<u>Address</u>

Kathryn D. Bufkin

2032 Cynthia Drive Tallahassee, Florida 32303

ARTICLE VIII

Stock Clause

The aggregate number of shares of stock which this Corporation shall have authority to issue shall be Ten Thousand $(10,\overline{000})$ shares of common stock, all of one class at One and No/100 Dollars (\$1.00) par value per share.

ARTICLE IX

Duration

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE X

Effective Date

The date that corporate existence shall begin shall be upon filing by the Secretary of State. This election is pursuant to Section 607.0123, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE XI

Fiscal Year

The accounting period which this Corporation intends to establish as its first fiscal year for federal and state purposes shall be the fiscal year ending on the last day of December, 2000.

ARTICLE XII

By-Laws

By-Laws of this Corporation may be adopted, amended, or repealed by either the Board of Directors or by the Stockholders except as otherwise provided in the By-Laws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the sole Incorporator of this Corporation, executes these Articles of Incorporation and certifies to the truth of the facts herein stated in the State of Florida, this 15th day of February, 2000.

KATHRYN D. BUFKIN, Incorporator

State of Florida County of Leon

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of TIDAL SURGE, INC., was acknowledged before me this 15 to day of February, 2000, by KATHRYN D. BUFKIN, who is personally known to me.

Netary Public

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida:

- 1. The name of the corporation is TIDAL SURGE, INC...
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Wm. Scott Lindsey 1407 Piedmont Drive East Tallahassee, Florida 32312

Signature (Incorporator)

Signature (Incorporator)

SECRETARY

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HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT OF 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.

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Date