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Division of Corporations State of Florida 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Re:

Filing Articles of Incorporation:

John A. Branco, Inc.

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am enclosing a copy and the original Articles of Incorporation for the above-named corporation and this firm's check number 3854 in the amount of \$78.75 (\$70.00 for filing and \$8.75 for a certified copy) to cover the state's fee. We are requesting a certified copy of this document to be sent to this office at your earliest convenience. Please file this document with the state and return the filed document to this office in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Thank you.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office at (941) 261-7716.

Sincerely,

KRAUS & WYNE, P.A

Ahja DePauw Legal Assistant

Enclosures

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

# JOHN A. BRANCO, INC.

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. The Articles of Incorporation of John A. Branco, Inc., shall be as follows:

### ARTICLE I

NAME AND ADDRESS - The name of the corporation shall be John A. Branco, Inc. and its principal place of business and mailing address shall be:

5251 Myrtle Lane Naples, Florida 34113

#### ARTICLE II

<u>NATURE OF BUSINESS</u> - This corporation may engage or transact in any or all lawful activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States, the State of Florida or any other state, country, territory or nation.

### **ARTICLE III**

<u>CAPITAL STOCK</u> - The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 10,000 shares of common stock at \$1.00 par value.

### ARTICLE IV

<u>REGISTERED AGENT</u> - The initial registered office of the corporation shall be:

5251 Myrtle Lane Naples, Florida 34113

and the name of the original registered agent shall be:

John A. Branco

## ARTICLE V

<u>TERM</u> - This corporation is to exist perpetually.

#### ARTICLE VI

<u>PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS</u> - Every shareholder, upon the sale for cash of any new stock of this corporation of the same kind, class, or series of that which he already holds, shall have the right to purchase his pro rata share, as nearly as may be done without issuance of fractional shares, at the price at which it is offered to others.

#### ARTICLE VII

<u>SPECIAL PROVISION</u> - The stock of this corporation is intended to qualify under the requirements of Section 1244 of the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations issued thereunder. Such actions as are necessary will be taken by the appropriate officers to accomplish this compliance.

### ARTICLE VIII

<u>ELECTION OF SUBCHAPTER S</u> - This corporation may elect subchapter S for taxation purposes upon consent of the shareholders.

## ARTICLE IX

<u>DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS</u> - This corporation shall have one (1) director initially. The name and street address of the initial board of directors and the office that he shall hold, who shall hold office for the first year of the corporation's operation, or until a successor is elected or appointed are as follows:

John A. Branco, President/Secretary/Treasurer 5251 Myrtle Lane Naples, Florida 34113

## ARTICLE X

<u>INCORPORATOR</u> - The name and street address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

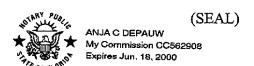
John A. Branco 5251 Myrtle Lane Naples, Florida 34113 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereto set forth his hand on this 20th day of March, 2000.

John A. Branco Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF COLLIER

Before me personally appeared John A. Branco, who upon being duly sworn states that he is the incorporator for John A. Branco, Inc. He is (check one) (\_\_\_\_) personally known to me or (\_X\_\_) has produced Florida Due 20 Sward as identification.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 20th day of March, 2000.



Notary Public - State of Florida

My Commission Expires: Ocal Store

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, 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, AND I ACCEPT THE DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF SECTION 607.325, FLORIDA STATUTES.

John A. Branco

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