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Division of Corporations
Office of the Secretary of State
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Silver Palms Medical Center, Inc.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed for filing please find original and one copy of signed Articles of Incorporation for Silver Palms Medical Center, Inc. Please file the original and return a certified copy to me in the enclosed stamped self-addressed envelope. A check in the amount of \$78.75 is enclosed in payment of:

Filing fee	\$35.00
Registered agent designation	35.00
Certified copy	8.75

Thank you for your cooperation in this regard. Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,

John R. Dunham, III

JRD/hb
Enclosures

cc: Joseph M. Ossorio, M.D.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
SILVER PALMS MEDICAL CENTER, INC.**

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

THESE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION are signed by the incorporator for the purposes of forming a profit corporation pursuant to the provisions of Florida Statutes Chapter 607, as amended, as follows:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is Silver Palms Medical Center, Inc.

ARTICLE II

The purpose for which the corporation is formed is to engage in any activity within the purposes for which corporations may be formed.

ARTICLE III

The street address of the principal office of the corporation is 5650 Gulf of Mexico Drive Longboat Key, Florida 34277.

ARTICLE IV

The maximum number of shares this Corporation is authorized to issue is 10,000, all of which shall be Common Shares. All Common Shares shall be identical with each other in every respect and the holders of Common Shares shall be entitled to one vote for each share on all matters on which shareholders have the right to vote.

ARTICLE V

The initial street address of the Corporation's registered office is One Sarasota Tower, Two North Tamiami Trail, Suite 500, Sarasota, Florida 34236 and the initial registered agent for the Corporation at that address is John R. Dunham, III, Esq.

ARTICLE VI

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

Bridget Mercier, 5650 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Longboat Key, Florida 34277.

ARTICLE VII

The initial board of directors shall consist of one member. The name and address of the person who will serve on the initial board of directors is:

NAME	ADDRESS
Bridget Mercier	5650 Gulf of Mexico Drive Longboat Key, Florida 34277

ARTICLE VIII

The duration of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE IX

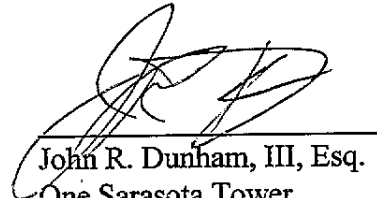
The corporation shall indemnify its directors, officers, employees, and agents to the fullest extent permitted by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 25th day of August, 2000.


Bridget Mercier

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for SILVER PALMS MEDICAL CENTER, INC. at the place designated in the Articles of Incorporation, the undersigned is familiar with and accepts the obligations of that position pursuant to F.S. 607.0501(3).



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