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Corporate Records Bureau Division of Corporations Attn: New Filings
Department of State
409 East Gaines Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Via United Parcel Service

Re: ELITE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES, INC.

Dear Sir(s):

We have enclosed herein the original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation for **ELITE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES**, **INC.** We would appreciate your filing the corporation.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$87.50 covering the filing fee, stock tax, cost of two certified copies of the Articles, and designation of registered agent.

Thank you.

Very truly yours, ENGLAND & DONATO

Levi England
For the Firm

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SECRETARY OF STATE
ALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Katherine Harris Secretary of State

September 14, 2000

ENGLAND & DONATO ATTN: LEVI ENGLAND 7700 DAVIE ROAD EXTENSION HOLLYWOOD, FL 33024

SUBJECT: ELITE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES, INC.

Ref. Number: W00000022500

We have received your document for ELITE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of an existing entity.

Please select a new name and make the correction in all appropriate places. One or more major words may be added to make the name distinguishable from the one presently on file.

Adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of a name is not acceptable.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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<u>OF</u>

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

AUTOMOTIVE ELITE, INC.

I, JOHN D. MEARS, being of legal age, do hereby sign these presents for the purposes of becoming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida authorizing the formation of corporations, as the incorporator, and whose residence address is: 5801 Southwest 54th Avenue, Davie, FL 33314.

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be: AUTOMOTIVE ELITE, INC.

The general nature of the business and the objects and purposes to be transacted and carried on are to do any and all of the things herein mentioned, as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, viz:

- A. Establishment and operation of any lawful business permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida, including the ownership and operation of businesses associated with the purchase, sale, inspection, repair and valuation of motor vehicles.
- B. To build, construct and alter houses, buildings and structures of whatsoever nature and kind; to develop real property generally, to purchase, manufacture, acquire, hold, own, lease, sell, assign, transfer, invest in, trade in, deal in goods, wares, merchandise, real and personal property of every kind and description.

- C. To conduct all types of business operations, to have one or more offices and hold, purchase, mortgage, lease, dispose of, deal in and convey real and personal property without restrictions in this State and in any other of the several states, territories, possessions and dependencies of the United States.
- D. To engage in, render or carry on, any service or other business as principal or agent, with powers to let contracts for any such service or product; and to make and carry out contracts of every kind and nature that may be conductive to the accomplishment of any purposes of this corporation.
- E. To acquire by purchase, or otherwise, for investment or resale, and to own, improve, operate, subdivide, lease, mortgage, sell and otherwise deal in, for cash or credit, by Conveyance, Agreement for Deed, or other lawful instrument, real estate or mixed property located in the State of Florida or elsewhere, and generally to deal in and traffic as owner or agent in real estate, personal and mixed property, and any interest or estate therein, and to create, own, lease, sell, operate or deal in freehold and leasehold estates of any and all nature whatsoever and to be an investor in real, mixed and/or personal property; to grant, sell and otherwise deal in franchises and licenses.
- F. To factor, lend or borrow money, be a surety, and t execute and deliver, accept, take and receive Notes, Bonds, Debentures of other evidences thereof, and Mortgage, Trust Deed, Pledges or other securities for the payment of same.
- G. To act as agent, broker, or attorney-in-fact for any persons, firms or corporations in buying, selling and dealing in real or personal property or services of whatsoever kind or nature and in managing and conducting any legal actions, proceedings and business relating to any of the purposes herein mentioned or referred to.
- H. To acquire, hold, undertake and fully exploit the good will, property, rights, franchises, assets of every kind and the liabilities of any person, firm, association, or corporation,

either wholly or partly; and to pay for the same in cash, Stocks or Bonds of the company or otherwise.

- I. In any manner to acquire, enjoy, utilize and to dispose of patents, copyrights and trademarks, and any license or other interest therein and thereunder.
- To purchase, subscribe for or otherwise acquire, become interested in, deal in and with, invest in, hold, pledge, sell, mortgage, lend money on, exchange or otherwise dispose of or turn to account or realize upon as owner, agent, broker or factor, all securities, including Stocks, Bonds, Mortgages, Notes, evidencing shares of or interest in common law Trusts, Trusts and Trust Estates or associations, Certificates of Trust or beneficial interests in Trusts, Mortgages, Contracts and other instruments, securities and rights; to investigate and report with respect to; and to undertake, carry on, aid, assist or participate in the organization, liquidation or reorganization of financial, commercial, mercantile, manufacturing, industrial or other business concerns, firms, associations and corporations; to institute, participate in or promote commercial, financial and industrial enterprises and operations.
- K. To borrow money and contract debts when necessary in the purchase of or acquisition of real, personal and intangible property, business rights or franchises, or for additional working capital or for any other object in or about its business or affairs and without limit as to amount.
- L. To enter into any partnership, limited or general, as Limited or General Partner, or both, and to enter into any other arrangement for profit-sharing, union or interest, or cooperation, with any corporation, association, partnership, syndicate, entity, person or governmental, municipal or public authority in the carrying on of any business which this corporation is authorized to carry on, or any business or transaction deemed necessary, convenient or incidental to carrying out any of the purposes of this corporation.

- M. To purchase, hold, sell and transfer shares of its own capital stock; subject, however, to such limitations as may be provided by law; capital stock owned by the corporation shall not be voted upon directly or indirectly, nor counted as outstanding for the purpose of any stockholder quorum or vote.
- N. To do all acts and everything necessary, suitable, convenient or proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes hereinafter or before enumerated or incidental to the powers herein named, or which shall at any time appear conductive or expedient for the benefit or protection of the corporation, either as holders of, or interested in any property, or otherwise.
- O. To exercise all of the powers which are now or may hereafter be conferred upon corporations generally by the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE II

The capital stock authorized, the par value thereof, and the characteristics of such stock shall be as follows:

1,000 shares of common stock with \$1.00 par value.

ARTICLE III

This corporation shall exist perpetually unless sooner dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE IV

The initial street address of said corporation shall be: 5801 Southwest $54^{\rm th}$ Avenue Davie, FL 33314

with the privileges of having its office and branch offices at other places within or without the State of Florida. The principal business address for the corporation shall be:

> 5801 Southwest 54th Avenue Davie, FL 33314

ARTICLE V

The number of Directors of this corporation shall be not less than one (1) nor more than three (3) and the initial Board of Directors of this corporation shall be comprised of two (2) members.

ARTICLE VI

The names and street addresses of the persons who are appointed to act as Directors until the first annual meeting of the stockholders or until their successors are elected and shall qualify are:

JOHN D. MEARS

5801 Southwest 54th Avenue

Davie, FL 33314

MICHAEL D. LIMPER

7714 Raleigh Street Hollywood, FL 33024

ARTICLE VII

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Each Amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the stockholders and approved at a stockholders meeting by a majority of the Stock entitled to vote thereon.

ARTICLE VIII

The corporation has designated as its Registered Agent,

JOHN D. MEARS

who is a resident of the State of Florida, and whose business office is 5801 Southwest 54^{th} Avenue, Davie, Florida 33314.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned, being the original subscriber to the capital stock hereinabove named, and for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the corporation law of the State of Florida, do make and file this Certificate, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true and according have hereunto set my hand and seal this ______ day of September, 2000.

JOHN D. MEARS

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF BROWARD

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 2/day of September, 2000, by JOHN D. MEARS who is personally known to me or who has produced _______as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC

State of Florida

Printed Name:___

Commission #

OFFICIAL NOTARY SEAL SUSAN B DOSTER NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA

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COMMISSION NO. CC760050 MY COMMISSION EXP. AUG. 15,2002

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

AUTOMOTIVE ELITE, INC., organized under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office at:

> 5801 Southwest 54th Avenue Davie, FL 33314

has named:

JOHN D. MEARS

located at that address as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

Having been named to accept service of process for the abovestated corporation, at the place designated in this capacity, I agree to comply with the provisions of said act relative to keeping open said office.

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