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October 19, 2000

Florida Department of State Division of Corporations The Capitol P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

NATIONAL CLOSING SERVICES OF FLORIDA, INC.

Dear Madam/Sir:

Enclosed please find the original and a copy of Articles of Incorporation for the above-named corporation. In addition, a check in the sum of \$78.75 is enclosed which represents the following fees (F.S. Sec. 607.0122):

Filing Fee for Articles of Incorporation and Designation and Acceptance by Registered Agent, and Fee for Certificate of .....\$ 78.75 Status.....

Please file the original of the enclosed Articles of Incorporation and return a date stamped copy to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures \_\_

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

NATIONAL CLOSING SERVICES OF FLORIDA, INC.

The undersigned, acting as Incorporator of a corporation under the Florida Business Corporation Act, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

## ARTICLE I CORPORATE NAME

The name of the corporation is NATIONAL CLOSING SERVICES OF FLORIDA, INC.

#### ARTICLE II

DURATION

The period of its duration is perpetual.

## ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose is to engage in any activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States and the state of Florida.

## ARTICLE IV CAPITAL STOCK

The corporation is authorized to issue one hundred (100) shares of common stock, at \$1.00 par value per share.

#### ARTICLE V

#### INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The name and street address of the corporation's initial registered agent and his office is:

ANTHONY S. BATTAGLIA

RESIDENT AGENT CORPORATION OF PINELLAS COUNTY 980 Tyrone Blvd.

St. Petersburg, FL 33710

#### ARTICLE VI CORPORATE ADDRESS

The street address of the initial principal office of the corporation is as follows:

980 Tyrone Blvd. St. Petersburg, FL 33710

#### ARTICLE VII

#### INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The corporation shall have one (1) director initially. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws of the corporation in the manner provided by law, but shall never be less than one (1).

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The name and address of the initial director of the corporation is:

ANTHONY S. BATTAGLIA 980 Tyrone Blvd. St. Petersburg, FL 33710

## ARTICLE VIII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator signing these Articles of Incorporation is:

ANTHONY S. BATTAGLIA 980 Tyrone Blvd. St. Petersburg, FL 33710

## ARTICLE IX AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws of the corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation may be empowered by resolution of the Board of Directors to indemnify any officer or director, or any former officer or director, in the manner set out and provided for in the Bylaws of the corporation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.0850 of the Florida Statutes, as amended.

# ARTICLE XI INFORMAL ACTION OF DIRECTORS

If a majority of the Directors severally or collectively consent in writing to any action taken or to be taken by the corporation, and the writings evidencing their consent are filed with the Secretary of the corporation as part of the corporate records, the action shall be as valid as though it had been authorized at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE XII AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

The power to amend these Articles of Incorporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE XIII TELEPHONE MEETINGS

Members of the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee shall be deemed present at a meeting if a conference telephone or similar communications equipment, by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, is used.

#### ARTICLE XIV

DIRECTOR QUORUM AND VOTING

A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum for a meeting of the directors of the corporation. If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present or, if a director or directors have abstained from voting because of an interest in the matter to be voted upon, the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present and voting, shall be the act of the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE XV DIRECTOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- A. No contract or other transaction between the corporation and one (1) or more of the directors, or between the corporation and any other corporation, firm, association or other entity, in which one (1) or more of the directors are directors or officers, or are financially interested, shall be either void or voidable for this reason alone or by reason alone that such director or directors are present at the meeting of the Board of Directors or of a committee thereof which approves such contract or transaction, or that his or their votes are counted for such purpose:
  - 1. If the fact of such common directorship, officership or financial interest is disclosed or known to the Board or committee, and the Board or committee approves such contract or transaction by vote sufficient for such purpose without counting the vote or votes of such interested director or directors; or
  - 2. If such common directorship, officership or financial interest is disclosed or known to the shareholders entitled to vote thereon, and such contract or transaction is approved by vote of the shareholders; or
  - 3. If the contract or transaction is fair and reasonable as to the corporation at the time it is approved by the Board, a committee or the shareholders.
- B. Common or interested directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the directors or of a committee that approves such contract or transaction.

#### ARTICLE XVI

INFORMAL ACTION OF SHAREHOLDERS

Any action of the shareholders may be taken without a meeting if consent in writing setting forth the actions so taken shall be signed by the holders of outstanding stock having not less than

the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such\_action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon\_were present and voted, and filed with the Secretary of the corporation as part of the corporate records.

WHEREBY, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation the 19th day of October 2000.

ANTHOMY S. BATTAGLIA Incorporator

I HEREBY acknowledge that I am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for the corporation on this 19th day of October 2000.

ANTHONY S. BARTAGLIA, Registered Agent

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