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**RE: HIGGINS INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.**

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation for HIGGINS INVESTMENT TRUST, INC. I have also included a copy of such Articles in order that they may be certified by you and returned for our files. In addition, we have enclosed a check for:

Filing Fee	\$ 35.00
Registered Agent Fee	35.00
Certified Copy Fee	<u>52.50</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$122.50</b>

Please contact us immediately if there are any questions or problems. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

*Daniel H. Jones*

DANIEL H. JONES

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Enclosures

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
HIGGINS INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.

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ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this Corporation is HIGGINS INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.

ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation is located at: 32 Governors Court, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33418. The mailing address of the corporation is the same.

ARTICLE III - CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares which this Corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any time is ONE THOUSAND (1,000) shares of common stock.

ARTICLE IV - PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS

Each stockholder, upon the sale for cash of any new stock of this Corporation of the same kind, class or series as that which he already holds, shall have the right to purchase his pro-rata share thereof (as nearly as may be done without the issuance of fractional shares) at the price which it is offered to others.

ARTICLE V - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of this Corporation shall be: 11300 U.S. Highway One, Suite 400, North Palm Beach, Florida 33408 and the initial registered agent of this Corporation at such office shall be: DANIEL H. JONES, who upon accepting this designation agrees to comply with the provisions of Sections 607.0501 and 607.0505, Florida Statutes as amended from time to time, with respect to keeping an office open for service of process.

ARTICLE VI - INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation is: ERNEST A. HIGGINS, 32 Governors Court, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33418.

ARTICLE VII - BY-LAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the By-Laws shall be vested in the stockholders.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENT

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Article of Incorporation, or any amendments to them. Any right conferred upon the stockholders is subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2000.

Ernest A. Higgins  
ERNEST A. HIGGINS

STATE OF FLORIDA       }  
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH }

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation were acknowledged before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2000 by ERNEST A. HIGGINS, who is personally known to me or who has produced XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX as identification, bearing identification number XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX.



Kim M. LeeBove  
MY COMMISSION # CC605343 EXPIRES  
January 8, 2001  
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

(SEAL)

Kim M. LeeBove  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
State of Florida at Large  
Kim M. LeeBove  
Type/Print Name

My Commission Expires: JANUARY 8, 2001

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION  
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

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Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 607.0501 or 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the Laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered agent/registered office in the State of Florida:

1. The name of the corporation is HIGGINS INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.
2. The name and address of the registered agent and registered office is:

DANIEL H. JONES  
11300 U.S. Highway One, Suite 400  
North Palm Beach, Florida 33408

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 AS 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.

DATE: 11-20-00

  
DANIEL H. JONES