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NAME: SBS INSURANCE GROUP, INC.

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XX ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
 CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
 ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

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The undersigned incorporator hereby forms a corporation under Chapter 607 of the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: **SBS INSURANCE GROUP, INC.** The address of the principal office of this corporation shall be 208 N. Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, and the mailing address of the corporation shall be the same.

ARTICLE II. NATURE OF BUSINESS

This corporation may engage or transact in any or all lawful activities of business permitted under the laws of the United States, the State of Florida, or any other state, country, territory or nation.

ARTICLE III. CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 100 shares of common stock having \$1.00 par value per share.

ARTICLE IV. REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation shall be 208 N. Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is BEN SIMS.

ARTICLE V. TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VI. DIRECTORS

All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the corporation managed under the direction of its Board of Directors, subject to any limitation set forth in these Articles of Incorporation. This corporation shall have three Directors, initially. The names and addresses of the initial members of the Board of Directors are:

BEN SIMS, 208 N. Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34972

JAMES BARNHARDT, 1244 S.W. 19th Terrace, Okeechobee, Florida 34974

JACK SULLIVAN, JR., 208 N. Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34972

ARTICLE VII. OFFICERS

The name and addresses of the initial officers of the corporation who shall hold office for the first year of the corporation, or until their successors are elected or appointed are:

President: JAMES BARNHARDT, 1244 S.W. 19th Terrace, Okeechobee, Florida 34974

Vice President: JACK SULLIVAN, JR., 208 N. Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34972

Secretary/Treasurer: BEN SIMS, 208 N. Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34972

ARTICLE VIII. PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS

The corporation elects to have preemptive rights.

ARTICLE IX. SPECIAL PROVISION

This corporation shall be organized to comply with the provisions of Subchapter S of the Internal Revenue code, 26 U.S.C. 1261 et. seq., and shall take all actions necessary to obtain and maintain its status as an S corporation as defined therein.

It is the intent of the incorporator that the corporation will qualify under section 1244 of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE X. INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation:

BEN SIMS, 208 N. Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34972

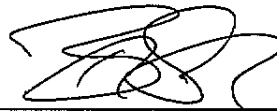
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand and seal on December 28, 2000.



Ben Sims

**ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED
IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

BEN SIMS, having an address identical with the registered office of the corporation named above, and having been designated as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes.



Ben Sims

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