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\* BOARD CERTIFIED: WILLS, TRUSTS & ESTATES

† LLM TAXATION

· CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT (FL)

· ALSO ADMITTED IN SOUTH CAROLINA

+ ALSO ADMITTED IN IOWA

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January 3, 2001

Corporate Records Bureau **Division of Corporations** P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Re: THE ADVANTAGE 500 GROUP, INC.

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed herewith are proposed Articles of Incorporation in reference to the captioned corporation. Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the following:

Filing Fee	\$ 35.00
Certified Copy of Charter	\$ 8.75
Resident Agent Fee	<u>\$ 35.00</u>
-	\$ 78.75

If the Articles of Incorporation meet with your approval, we will appreciate your executing and sending to the undersigned a Certificate of Incorporation.

Very truly yours,

SHEPPARD, BRETT, STEWART, HERSCH & KINSEY, P.A.

JAB:mp **Enclosures** 

Mr. Dwight S. Baird, Jr. cc:

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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THE ADVANTAGE 500 GROUP, INC.

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

THE UNDERSIGNED, NANCIANN BAIRD, hereby executes this document for the purposes of becoming incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida, and forming a corporation under the following proposed Certificate of Incorporation:

### **ARTICLE I**

The name of this Corporation is THE ADVANTAGE 500 GROUP, INC.

### ARTICLE II

The general nature of the business to be transacted by the Corporation is as follows:

The Corporation may engage in any activity or business permitted by the Laws of the United States and of this State.

## ARTICLE III

The maximum number of shares of stock that the Corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any time is One Thousand (1,000) shares of common stock of the same class and at One Dollar (\$1.00) par value.

### ARTICLE IV

Every shareholder, upon the sale for cash of any stock of this Corporation of the same class 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 at which it is offered to others.

### ARTICLE V

The Corporation shall indemnify any officer or director, or any former officer or director, to the full extent permitted by law.

## ARTICLE VI

The Corporation is to have perpetual existence commencing upon filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State.

## ARTICLE VII

The address of the principal office of the Corporation in this State is: 6309 Corporate Court, Suite 100, Fort Myers, Florida 33919, and the name of the initial registered agent of this Corporation at that address is: NANCIANN BAIRD.

### ARTICLE VIII

The number of Directors of this Corporation shall be at least one (1) and not more than seven (7).

## ARTICLE IX

The name and post office address of the members of the first Board of Directors of the Corporation are:

NAME	TITLE	<u>ADDRESS</u>
DWIGHT S. BAIRD, JR.	Vice President/ Treasurer	6309 Corporate Court, Suite 100 Fort Myers, Florida 33919
NANCIANN BAIRD	President/ Secretary	6309 Corporate Court, Suite 100 Fort Myers, Florida 33919

#### AKTICLE X

The name and post office address of the subscribers to the Articles of Incorporation are:

NAME OF SUBSCRIBER ADDRESS

NANCIANN BAIRD 6309 Corporate Court, Suite 100 Fort Myers, Florida 33919

## ARTICLE XI

The power to adopt, amend, alter or repeal By-Laws shall be vested in the Board of Directors and the Shareholders.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the subscribers have hereunto set their hands and seals this

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF LEE

THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was acknowledged before me this 28+H day of DECEMBER, 2000, by NANCIANN BAIRD, (X) who is personally known to me or ( )

as identification.

(SEAL)

Comm. Exp. Date: Comm. Number:

Betty D. Norogham

Notary Public

Printed Name of Notary: BETTY J. SCROGHAM

BETTY J. SCROGHAM MY COMMISSION # CC 702111 EXPIRES: December 15, 2001

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

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 48.091, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

FIRST -- THAT THE ADVANTAGE 500 GROUP, INC., DESIRING TO ORGANIZE OR QUALIFY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, WITH ITS PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF FORT MYERS, COUNTY OF LEE, STATE OF FLORIDA, HAS NAMED NANCIANN BAIRD, LOCATED AT 6309 CORPORATE COURT, SUITE 100, (Street Address and Number of Building -- Post Office Box Addresses Are Not Acceptable), FORT MYERS, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA AS ITS AGENT TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA.

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	THE ADVA	NTAGE 500 GROUP, INC.	JAN -5 JAN -5 RETARY .AHASSE
	(NB) Signature:	(Corporate Officer)	Y OF SEA
	Title:	President/Secretary	DA I
	Date:	12/28/00	

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE-STATED CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY, AND I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES.

	(NB) Signature: _	Resident Agent	
Resident Agent	J	Resident Agent	
Date: 12/28/00	Date:	12/28/00	