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**Re: TAMPA BAY CUSTOM WELDING, INC.**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are the originals and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above-titled business entity, along with a check in the amount of \$78.75 for filing.

Upon filing the Articles of Incorporation, please return a certified copy to this office at your earliest convenience.

Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

*Kathryn O'Brien*  
Kathryn O'Brien, Esquire T.D.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
TAMPA BAY CUSTOM WELDING, INC.**

**A Florida Corporation**

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The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, natural persons competent to contract, hereby form a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation shall be: TAMPA BAY CUSTOM WELDING, INC.

**ARTICLE II**

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation is: any and all activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and the State of Florida, including but not limited to custom welding and fabrication of ornamental iron.

**ARTICLE III**

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 with a par value of \$1.00.

**ARTICLE IV**

The corporation is to exist perpetually.

#### **ARTICLE V**

The initial post office address of the principal office of this corporation in the State of Florida is: 2101 Starkey Road, Building M, Unit #4, Largo, Florida 33771.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

The corporation shall have two directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time, by the by-laws adopted by the stock holders.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

The names and post office address of the first Board of Directors is:

Vincent J. Tripodi, Jr.  
13100 Wild Acres Road  
Largo, Florida 33773

Karen R. Tripodi  
13100 Wild Acres Road  
Largo, Florida 33773

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation shall be 2101 Starkey Road, Building M, Unit #4, Largo, Florida 33771 and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation is Vincent J. Tripodi, Jr.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

The corporation share have the right of first refusal to purchase the shares of stock of any shareholder before it is offered for sale or transfer to others, including but not limited to existing shareholders and or their spouses, heirs and beneficiaries.

#### **ARTICLE X**

Every shareholder, upon the sale for cash of any new stock of this corporation,

shall have the right to purchase his pro-rata share thereof (as nearly as may be done without issuance of fractional shares) at the price at which it is offered to others.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

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

#### **ARTICLE XII**

The corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

#### **ARTICLE XIII**

The name and addresses of the Incorporators signing these articles is:

Vincent J. Tripodi, Jr.  
13100 Wild Acres Road  
Largo, Florida 33773

Karen R. Tripodi  
13100 Wild Acres Road  
Largo, Florida 33773

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 192001

  
VINCENT J. TRIPODI

  
KAREN R. TRIPODI

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF PINELLAS


BEFORE ME, a Notary Public authorized to take acknowledgments in the State

and County set forth above, personally appeared Vincent J. Tripodi, Jr. and Karen R.

Tripodi who produced as identification N/A

and who are known to me to be the persons who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed those Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and seal in the State and County  
above, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2001.



KATHRYN M. O'BRIEN, Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Commission No.:



Kathryn M. O'Brien  
MY COMMISSION # CC650721 EXPIRES  
June 29, 2003  
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

REGISTERED AGENT CERTIFICATE

Pursuant to Chapter 48, Florida Statutes , the following is submitted in compliance with said Act:

TAMPA BAY CUSTOM WELDING, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in its Articles of Incorporation, at 2101 Starkey Road, Building M, Unit #4, Largo, Florida 33771 has named Vincent J. Tripodi, Jr., whose address is 2101 Starkey Road, Building M, Unit #4, Largo, Florida 33771 as its Agent to accept service of process within this State.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

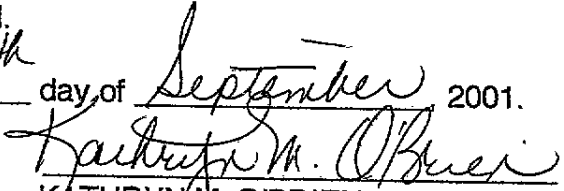
Having been named to accept service of process for the above-styled corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provisions of the said Act relative to keeping open said office.

  
VINCENT J. TRIPODI, JR.

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF PINELLAS

BEFORE ME personally appeared Vincent J. Tripodi, Jr. known to me personally and known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he acknowledged to and before me that he executed the said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS MY hand and seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2001.

  
KATHRYN M. O'BRIEN, Notary Public  
Commission No.:  
My Commission Expires:



Kathryn M. O'Brien  
MY COMMISSION # CC880721 EXPIRES  
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