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We have received your document for GAY COMMUNITY BANCHARES, INC. and the authorization to debit your account in the amount of \$78.75. However, the document has not been filed and is being returned for the following:

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Enclosed is a "Name Approval Request" form to be filled out and sent to the address indicated on the form. If the proposed name is approved by the Division of Banking, resubmit the document and approval letter to the Division of Corporations for filing.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF GAY COMMUNITY INVESTMENT GROUP, INC.

In compliance with the requirements of F.S. Chapter 607, the undersigned, being a natural person, does hereby act as a incorporator in adopting and filing the following Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of organizing a business corporation.

Article I--Name

The name of the corporation ("Corporation") is Gay Community Investment Group, Inc.

Article II--Principal Address

The street address of the principal office of the Corporation shall be 1717 Magnolia Avenue, Pensacola, Florida 32503. The mailing address shall be P.O. Box 12355 Pensacola, Florida 32582.

Article III--Shares of Stock

The Corporation is authorized to issue 80 million common shares at a par value of \$.01 cents.

The Corporation is authorized to issue 20 million preferred shares at a par value of \$.05 cents.

The voting rights of each share of preferred shares shall count twice for each common share.

Article IV-Registered Agent

The initial street address of the Corporation's registered office is 105 East Gregory Square, Pensacola, Florida 32501. The initial registered agent for the Corporation at that address is Suzanne N. Whibbs.

Article V--Directors

The initial board of directors shall consist of (4) four members. The names and address of the persons who will serve on the initial board of directors are:

Name

Address

Steven Dunlap

1717 Magnolia Avenue Pensacola, FL. 32503 David Richbourg

1404 E. Lakeview

Pensacola, FL. 32503

Anne Connelly

1403 E. Lakeview

Pensacola, FL. 32503

Chuck Browning

1712 E. Avery Street Pensacola, FL. 32503

Article VI--Purpose

The purpose of this corporation is to engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States or the State of Florida.

Article VII-Duration

This corporation shall exist perpetually, commencing upon the date of filing these Articles of Incorporation with the State of Florida.

Article VIII--Incorporator

The name and the address of the incorporator is Suzanne N. Whibbs 105 East Gregory Square, Pensacola, Florida 32501.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 161 day of October, 2001.

Suzanne N. Whibbs, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF ESCAMBIA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this the <u>//6</u> day of October, 2001, by Suzanne N. Whibbs who personally appeared before me and is personally known to me.

DEBORAH JEAN MARSHBURN
MY COMMISSION # CC 723573
EXPIRES: March 14, 2002
1-900-3-NOTARY Fig. Notary Service & Bonding Co.

OTARY PUBLIC-State of Florida

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF RESIDENT AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provision of Section 607.0501 or 617.0501, the undersigned Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered agent/office, in the State of Florida.

- 1. The name of the Corporation is: Gay Community Investment Group, Inc.
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Suzanne N. Whibbs 105 East Gregory Square Pensacola, Florida 32501

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.

Dated this 16th day of October, 2001.

Suzanne N. Whibbs

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