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Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

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RE: Articles of Incorporation of Express Foods, Inc.

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed please find an original and one copy of Articles of Incorporation for filing with your office. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$78.75 for the filing fee. After filing, please return the copy to our offices.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jean Martin

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Katherine Harris Secretary of State

November 29, 2001

JEAN MARTIN 5654 JASON LEE PLACE SARASOTA, FL 34233

SUBJECT: EXPRESS FOODS, INC. Ref. Number: W01000027196

We have received your document for EXPRESS FOODS, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The effective date is not acceptable since it is not within five working days of the date of receipt.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6915.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

EXPRESS FOODS, INC.

The undersigned subscriber to the articles of incorporation, who is a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida as follows:

ARTICLE I

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<u>Name</u>

The name of the corporation is EXPRESS FOODS, INC.

ARTICLE II.

Terms of Existence

The date when corporate existence shall commence shall be the date of subscription of these articles, and the corporation shall have perpetual existence thereafter.

ARTICLE III.

Nature of Business

This corporation is organized to engage in any and all lawful businesses.

ARTICLE IV.

Powers .

The corporation shall have power:

- (a) To have perpetual succession by its corporation name.
- (b) To sue and be sued, complain, and defend in its corporate name in all actions or proceedings.

- (c) To have a corporate seal, which may be altered at pleasure, and to use the same by causing it, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed, affixed, or in any other manner reproduced.
- (d) To purchase, take, receive, lease, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, and otherwise deal in and with real or personal property or any interest therein, wherever situated.
- (e) To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, create a security interest in, lease, exchange, transfer, and otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.
- (f) To lend money to an use its credit to assist its officers and employees to the full extent permitted by law.
- (g) To purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, lend, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, and otherwise use and deal in and with, shares or other interests in, or obligations of, other domestic or foreign corporations, associations, partnerships or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States or of any other municipality or of any instrumentality thereof.
- (h) To make contracts and guarantees and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as the corporation may determine, issue its notes, bonds, and other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage or pledge of all or any of its property, franchises, and income.
- (i) To lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned or invested.
- (j) To conduct its business, carry on its operations, and have offices and exercise the powers granted by this act within or without this state.
- (k) To elect or appoint officers and agents of the corporation and define their duties and fix their compensation.

- (l) To make and alter bylaws, not inconsistent with these articles of incorporation and the laws of this state, for the administration and regulation of the affairs of the corporation.
- (m) To make donations for the public welfare or for charitable, scientific or educational purposes.
- (n) To transact any lawful business which the board of directors shall find will be in aid of governmental policy.
- (o) To pay pensions and establish pensions plans, profit sharing plans, stock bonus plans, stock option plans, and other incentive plans for any or all of its directors, officers, and employees and for any or all of the directors, officers, and employees of its subsidiaries.
- (p) To be a promoter, incorporator, partner, member, associate, or manager of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise.
 - (q) To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect its purposes.

ARTICLE V.

Capital Stock

This corporation is authorized to issue 10,000 shares of one dollar (\$1.00) par value common stock, which may be fractional shares. All stock, when issued, shall be fully paid and non-assessable.

<u>ARTICLE VI</u>.

Initial Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 5654 Jason Lee Place, Sarasota, Florida 34233, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is JON W. SINE. The initial mailing address for the corporation is 5654 Jason Lee Place, Sarasota, Florida 34233.

<u>ARTICLE VII</u>.

Directors

The corporation shall have one (1) director initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by bylaws adopted by the board of directors, but any amendment to the bylaws which either increases or decreases the number of directors shall be ratified by a majority of the shareholders, provided that the corporation shall always have at least one director. The name and street address of the initial director of this corporation, who shall serve until his successors are duly elected and qualified, is:

Name

Address

Jon W. Sine

5654 Jason Lee Place Sarasota, Florida 34233

ARTICLE VIII.

Subscriber

The name and street address of the incorporator signing these articles of incorporation are:

JON W. SINE 5654 Jason Lee Place Sarasota, Florida 34233

ARTICLE IX.

<u>Bylaws</u>

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the board of directors of this corporation; provided, however, that the bylaws may provide that the power to alter, amend, or repeal the bylaws is reserved to the shareholders.

ARTICLE X.

Indemnification

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

ARTICLE XI.

Preemptive Rights

Each shareholder of the corporation shall be entitled to full preemptive rights to acquire his proportional part of any unissued or treasury shares of the corporation, or securities of the corporation convertible into or carrying a right to subscribe to or acquire such shares, which may be issued at any time by the corporation.

ARTICLE XII.

<u>Amendment</u>

These articles of incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law.

ARTICLE XIII.

Mailing Address

The initial mailing address for the corporation is 5654 Jason Lee Place, Sarasota, Florida 34233.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these articles of incorporation on December 5, 2001.

JON W. SIME

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Acceptance:

I hereby agree, as Registered Agent, to accept Service of Process; to keep the office open during prescribed hours; to post my name (and any other officers of said corporation authorized to accept service of process at the above Florida designated address) in some conspicuous place in the office as required by law. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of the position of registered agent.

Jon W. Sine

Registered Agent