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RE: *Articles of Incorporation
Sterling Medical, Incorporated*

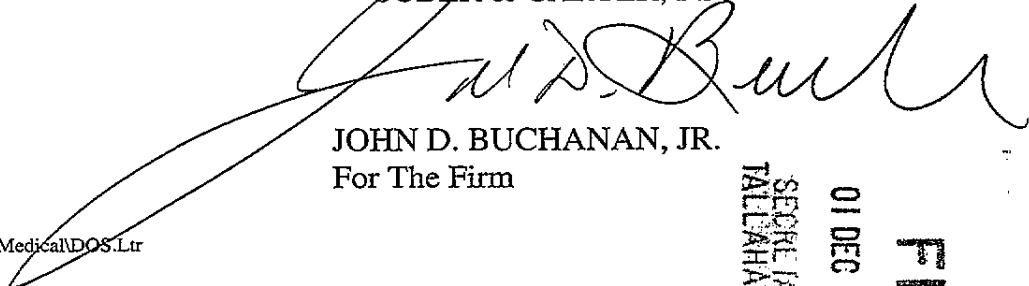
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To Whom It May Concern:

Please find enclosed the Articles of Incorporation for Sterling Medical, Inc. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$78.50 for filing fees, registered agent designation and a certified copy. Please return the certified copy to the undersigned, as registered agent.

Sincerely,

HENRY, BUCHANAN, HUDSON,
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Business Corporation Act, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: STERLING MEDICAL, INCORPORATED

ARTICLE II – PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

3858 Elderidge Avenue
Orange Park, Florida 32073

ARTICLE III – PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is: Any lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under this Act.

ARTICLE IV – SHARES

The number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is: 3,000

ARTICLE V – REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

John D. Buchanan, Jr.
117 South Gadsden Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

ARTICLE VI - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

John D. Buchanan, Jr.
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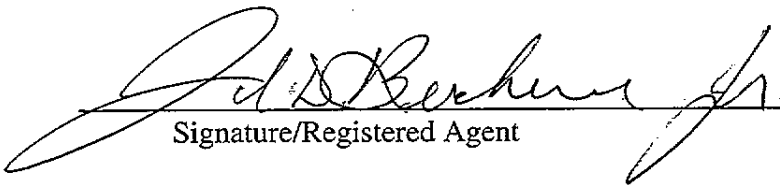
ARTICLE VII

The shareholders shall have the power to adopt, amend, alter, change or repeal the articles of incorporation when proposed and approved at a stockholders meeting, with not less than a majority vote of the common stock.


Signature/Incorporator

12/7/01
Date

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and 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.


Signature/Registered Agent

12/7/01
Date