PORTRAMMITALLETIC 4028

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

SUBJECT: MERIDIAN MORTGAGE & ASSOCIATES INC.

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check fo

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A1A Florida Corporate Services 218 Southern Country Lane Quincy, FL 32351 1-850-921-4840

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In compliance with Chapter 607 and/or Chapter 621, F.S. (Profit)

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

MERIDIAN MORTGAGE & ASSOCIATES INC.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business/mailing address is:

4833 FOXSHIRE CIRCLE

TAMPA, Florida 33624

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized:

The corporation may engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE IV SHARES

The number of shares of stock is:

1500 COMMON SHARES

PAR VALUE \$.10

ARTICLE V INITIAL OFFICERS / DIRECTORS (optional

The name(s), address(es), and title(s) of the directors and officers is:

Director, President

BOB GAMBINO

4833 FOXSHIRE CIRCLE TAMPA, Florida 33624

Vice President

MICHAEL O'NEIL

4833 FOXSHIRE CIRCLE TAMPA, Florida 33624

Secretary, Treasurer

JENNIFER GAMBINO

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ARTICLE VI REGISTERED AGENT

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

LARRY SISSON 218 SOUTHERN COUNTRY LANE QUINCY, FL 32351

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and Florida street address of the incorporator is:
A1A FLORIDA CORPORATE SERVICES
LARRY SISSON
218 SOUTHERN COUNTRY LANE
QUINCY, FL 32351

ARTICLE VIII

No director or officer of the corporation shall be personally liable to the corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director or officer, provided, however, that the foregoing clause shall not apply to any liability of a director or officer(I) for any breach of the director's or officer's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its shareholders, (II) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, or (III) for any transaction from which the director or officer derived an improper personal benefit. Nothing contained in these Articles of incorporation shall limit or preclude the exercise of any right relating to indemnification or advancement of attorney's fees and expenses to any person who is or was an officer or director of the Corporation.

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.

Signature / Registered Agent

Signature/incorporator

Date

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