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Florida Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
Post Office Box 6327  
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Articles of Incorporation for Herring Seafood Company, Inc.

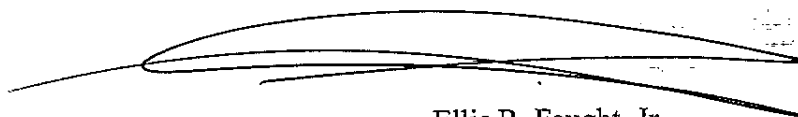
Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed, please find Articles of Incorporation of Herring Seafood Company, Inc., for filing with your office. Also, enclosed please find my check payable to the Florida Department of State in the sum of \$70.00 to cover the filing fee for the Articles of Incorporation.

It would be greatly appreciated if you would file the articles and advise me at your earliest convenience as to date of filing and the Charter number assigned to the corporation.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Ellis R. Faught, Jr.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
HERRING SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC.**

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**Article I - Name**

The name of this corporation is **Herring Seafood Company, Inc.**

**Article II - Duration**

This corporation shall exist perpetually.

**Article III - Purpose**

This corporation is organized and incorporated for the purpose of carrying on any and all lawful business.

**Article IV - Capital Stock**

This corporation is authorized to issue 7,500 shares of \$1.00 par value common stock.

**Article V - Corporation's Principal Office**

The principal office of the corporation shall be 1703 Sherwood Lake Boulevard, Lakeland, Florida 33809. The mailing address of the corporation is 1703 Sherwood Lake Boulevard, Lakeland, Florida 33809.

**Article VI - Initial Registered Office and Agent**

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 206 Mason Street, Brandon, Florida 33511, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Ellis R. Faught.

**Article VII - Initial Board of Directors**

This corporation shall have two (2) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the bylaws but shall never be less than one (1). The name and address of the initial directors of this corporation are:

Daniel R. Herring  
1703 Sherwood Lake Blvd.  
Lakeland, Florida 33809

and

Judith G. Herring  
1703 Sherwood Lake Blvd.  
Lakeland, Florida 33809

**Article VIII - Incorporator**

The name and address of the persons signing these articles is:

Daniel R. Herring  
1703 Sherwood Lake Blvd.  
Lakeland, Florida 33809

**Article IX - Powers**

This corporation shall have all of the corporate powers enumerated in the Florida General Corporation Act.

**Article X - Preemptive Rights**

Each stockholder of the corporation shall have the right to purchase, subscribe for, or receive a right or rights to purchase or subscribe for, at the par value thereof, a pro rata portion of:

(1) Any stock of any class that the corporation may issue or sell, whether or not exchangeable for any stock of the corporation of any class or classes, and whether or not of unissued shares authorized by the articles of incorporation as originally filed or by any amendment thereof or out of shares of stock of the corporation acquired by it after the issuance thereof, and whether issued for cash, labor done, personal property, or real property or leases thereof; or

(2) Any obligation that the corporation may issue or sell which is convertible into or exchangeable for any stock of the corporation of any class or classes, or to which is attached or pertinent any warrant or warrants or other instrument or instruments conferring on the holder the right to subscribe for or purchase from the corporation any shares of its stock of any class or classes.

### **Article XI - Cumulative Voting Rights**

The principle of cumulative voting shall apply in all elections of directors of the corporation. Each stockholder entitled to vote shall have votes equal to the number of shares with voting rights held by him multiplied by the number of directors to be elected, and each may cast all his votes for a single candidate, or may divide and distribute his votes among any two or more candidates, as he sees fit. Each stockholder may, if he desires, cast fewer than all the votes to which he is entitled at any election of directors, but no ballot shall be valid if the total votes shown thereon are in excess of the total number of votes to which the stockholder casting such ballot is entitled.

At any such election, the candidates receiving the highest number of votes, up to the number of directors to be chosen, shall be elected, and an absolute majority of the votes cast is not a prerequisite to the election of any candidate to the board of directors.

### **Article XII - Stockholders' Meeting**

The presence, at any stockholders' meeting, in person or by proxy, of persons entitled to vote 51% of the shares of the corporation then issued and outstanding shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

The affirmative vote of 66 2/3% of the shares represented at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the stockholders.

The following actions shall require the affirmative vote or written consent of the holders of at least 66% of all shares issued and outstanding.

(1) Amendment of these articles of incorporation to increase or decrease the authorized number of, or to change the designations, preferences, qualifications, limitations, restrictions, or special or relative rights of any of the classes of stock, or to create any new class or classes of stock;

(2) Merger or consolidation with or into any other corporation other than a corporation wholly owned or controlled by the corporation, or the sale, lease, conveyance, exchange, transfer, or other disposition of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the corporation, or the voluntary dissolution, liquidation, or winding up of the corporation.

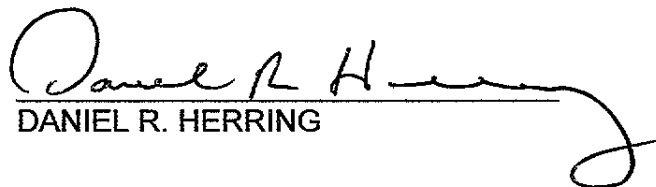
The affirmative vote of 66 2/3% of the shares of the corporation represented at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be required to amend these articles so as to increase or decrease the authorized number of, or change the designations, preferences, qualifications, limitations, restrictions, or special or relative rights of any of the various

classes of shares; or to merge or consolidate the corporation with or into any other corporation or sell, lease, or convey all or substantially all of the assets of the corporation, or voluntarily to dissolve, liquidate, or wind up its affairs.

### Article XIII - Amendment

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these articles of incorporation, or any amendment thereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this restriction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2002.

  
DANIEL R. HERRING

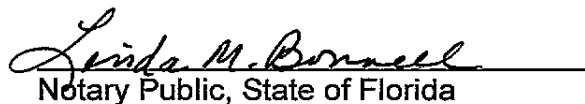
### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, authorized to take acknowledgments in the State and County set forth above, personally appeared before me Daniel Herring and \_\_\_\_\_, known to me and known by me to be the persons who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed these Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2002.



LINDA M. BONNELL  
MY COMMISSION # DD 099578  
EXPIRES: March 24, 2006  
Bonded Thru Budget Notary Services


  
Notary Public, State of Florida

My Commission Expires: 3/24/06

### ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION AS REGISTERED AGENT

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that I, ELLIS R. FAUGHT, ESQUIRE, do hereby accept the designation as Registered Agent for Herring Seafood Company, Inc.. Further, that the

registered office of Herring Seafood Company, Inc. shall be maintained at 206 Mason Street, Brandon, Florida 33511.



ELLIS R. FAUGHT, ESQUIRE  
As Registered Agent for  
Herring Seafood Company, Inc.

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