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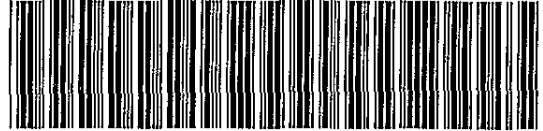
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**Richard K. Black  
1405 14<sup>th</sup> Street West  
Bradenton, FL 34205**

December 4, 2002

Secretary of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, Florida 34214

**C-Corporation  
Articles of Incorporation  
of  
Manatee Inns, Inc.**

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find my check in the amount of \$122.50 to cover the filing fees for the  
aforementioned Articles of Incorporation.

If further information is required, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address above.

*Thanking you in advance for your prompt and expedient attention in this matter.*

Sincerely,



Richard K. Black

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**Articles of Incorporation  
of  
Manatee Inns, Inc.**

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The undersigned incorporator(s) for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida General Corporation Act, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I  
NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be Manatee Inns, Inc. The principal place of business of this corporation shall be as follows:

**Corporate Address**  
1405 14<sup>th</sup> Street West  
Bradenton, FL 34205

**ARTICLE II  
TERM OF EXISTENCE**

The term of existence of the corporation shall be perpetual. Corporate existence shall begin on January 1, 2003.

**ARTICLE III  
NATURE OF BUSINESS**

The purpose of the corporation is to transact any business and to engage in, enter into, promote or conduct any or all lawful activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States, the State of Florida, or any other state, country, territory, or nation.

**ARTICLE IV  
CAPITAL STOCK**

The total number of shares of stock which the corporation shall have authority to issue is 1,000 shares, all of which shall be common shares with a par value of \$1.00 per share.

The holders of the shares of any class (other than shares which are limited as to dividend rate and liquidation preference) shall, upon the offering or sale for cash of shares of the same class, have the right, during a reasonable time and on reasonable terms fixed by the Board of Directors, to purchase such shares in proportion to their respective holding of shares of such class, unless the shares offered or sold are: (a) treasury shares, (b) issued as a share dividend, (c) issued or agreed to be issued for considerations other than money, or (d) released from pre-emptive rights by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds of the shares entitles to such pre-emptive rights.

## **ARTICLE V REGISTERED AGENT**

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation in Sarasota County, Florida, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address are as follows:

**Name and Street Address**

Richard K. Black  
1405 14<sup>th</sup> Street West  
Bradenton, FL 34205

I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation.



Richard K. Black,  
Registered Agent

## **ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The corporation shall have a Board of Directors of One (1) director(s) initially. The number of directors shall be prescribed by the Bylaws of the corporation from time to time. The name(s) and address(es) of the person(s) who shall serve as the initial director(s) of the corporation until the first meeting of the shareholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified are as follows:

**Name and Street Address**

Richard K. Black  
1405 14<sup>th</sup> Street West  
Bradenton, FL 34205

**ARTICLE VII  
INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

**Name and Street Address**

Richard K. Black  
1405 14<sup>th</sup> Street West  
Bradenton, FL 34205

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the Florida General Corporation Act, has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2003.

Richard K. Black  
Incorporator

**STATE OF FLORIDA**

**COUNTY OF** Manatee

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Richard Kent Black, to be the person described in and personally known to me, and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and <sup>Fla. B420-751-26-251</sup> acknowledged before me that                      executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2003.

DENNA DREYER  
Notary Public, State of Florida  
My comm. exp. Dec. 15, 2003  
Comm. No. CC 895749

Denna Dreyer  
Notary Public

My Commission expires: Dec 15, 2003