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ARTICLES OF MERGER

The following articles of merger are being submitted in accordance with Section 607.1105, Florida Statues.

<u>FIRST:</u> The exact name, street address of its principal office, jurisdiction, and en each merging party are as follows:

Name Republic Leasing Company, Inc. 9710 Two Notch Road Columbia, SC 29223

Jurisdiction South Carolina

Corporatio

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SECOND: The exact name, street address of its principal office, jurisdiction, and entity type the surviving party are as follows:

Name Resource Baneshares Mortgage Group, Inc. 9710 Two Notch Road Columbia, SC 29223

Jurisdiction Florida

Corporation

Florida Document/Registration Number: P03000031232

THIRD: The attached Plan of Merger meets the requirements of Section 607.1104, Florida Statutes, and was approved by the directors of the parent corporation in accordance with Chapter' 607, Florida Statutes on June 23, 2004. Shareholder approval was not required.

FOURTH: The merger shall become effective as of July 1, 2004 at 12:01 a.m.

SIGNATURE(S) FOR EACH PARTY:

Name of Entity

Republic Leasing Company, Inc.

Resource Baneshares Mortgage Group, Inc.

Typed or Printed Name of Individual

Print Name: Charles H. M.

Title: Vice President

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Prepared by I van Colao Florida Bar No. 0022608 Holland & Knight LLP 50 N. Laura St., Snite 3900 Jacksonville, FL 32202 904-353-2000

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PLAN OF MERGER

The following plan of merger, which was adopted and approved in accordance with Section 607.1104, Florida Statutes and 33-11-104, South Carolina Code of Laws, is being submitted in accordance with section 607.1105, Florida Statutes and 33-11-105, South Carolina Code of Laws.

FIRST: The exact name and jurisdiction of each merging party are as follows:

Name Republic Leasing Company, Inc. 9710 Two Notch Road Columbia, SC 29223 Jurisdiction
South Carolina

SECOND: The exact name and jurisdiction of the surviving party are as follows:

Name Resource Baneshares Mortgage Group, Inc. 9710 Two Notch Road Columbia, SC 29223 Jurisdiction Florida

THIRD: The terms and conditions of the merger are as follows:

Republic Leasing Company, Inc. shall be merged with and into Resource Baneshares Mortgage Group, Inc. and Resource Baneshares Mortgage Group, Inc. shall be the surviving entity. On the effective date of the merger, the separate existence of Republic Leasing Company, Inc. shall cease, and all of its property, rights, privileges, and Habilities, of whatsoever nature and description, shall be transferred to, vest in, and devolve upon Resource Baneshares Mortgage Group, Inc. without further act or deed.

<u>FOURTH</u>: The manner and basis of converting the interests, shares, obligations or other securities of each merged party into the interest, shares, obligations or other securities of the survivor, in whole or in part, into each or other property are as follows:

By virtue of the merger and without any further action on the part of the merging party, all of the merging party's issued and outstanding shares, and any and all options, warrants, and other securities exercisable or exchangeable for, or convertible into, the merging party's shares shall be canceled without any conversion thereof and no payment or distribution shall be made with respect thereto.

<u>FIFTH</u>: The shareholders of the subsidiary who, except for the applicability of Section 607.1104, Florida Statutes, would be entitled to vote and who dissent from the merger pursuant to Section 607.1321, Florida Statutes, may be entitled, if they comply with the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act regarding appraisal rights, to be paid the fair value of their shares.