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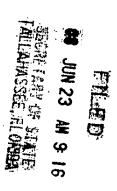
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VIA INTEROFFICE MAIL

Ms. Susan Payne Senior Section Administrator Amendment Section Florida Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314-6327

Dear Ms. Payne:

Please file the enclosed restated articles of incorporation of First Priority Bank, Bradenton, Florida, at your earliest convenience. The distribution of the certified copies should be made as follows:

(1) Return one (1) copy to: Division of Financial Institutions

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Also enclosed is a check for \$61.25 representing the filing and certified copy fees. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

William A. Lott

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Senior Management Analyst II Bureau of Bank Regulation

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FIRST PRIORITY BANK

First Priority Bank, whose original Articles of Incorporation were filed by the Florida Department of State on July 7, 2003 and amended on February 1, 2006, does hereby amend and restate its Articles of Incorporation by filing the following Restated Articles of Incorporation, pursuant to Section 607.1007, of the Florida Business Corporation Act (the "Act").

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of the Corporation is First Priority Bank.

ARTICLE II

Duration

The Corporation shall exist perpetually, commencing July 7, 2003.

ARTICLE III

Purpose

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this Corporation shall be that of a general commercial banking business with all the right, powers, and privileges granted and conferred by the Florida Financial Institutions Codes, regulating the organization, powers, and management of banking corporations.

ARTICLE IV

Capital Stock

A. Number and Class of Shares Authorized; Par Value.

The Corporation is authorized to issue the following shares of capital stock:

- (1) <u>Common Stock</u>. The aggregate number of shares of common stock (referred to in these Articles of Incorporation as "Common Stock") which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 100,000,000 shares with a par value of \$1.00 per share.
- (2) <u>Preferred Stock.</u> The aggregate number of shares of preferred stock (referred to in these Articles of Incorporation as "Preferred Stock") which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 10,000,000 shares with a par value of \$1.00 per share.

B. <u>Description of Remaining Shares of Preferred Stock.</u>

The terms, preferences, limitations and relative rights of the shares of Preferred Stock are as follows:

- (1) The Board of Directors is expressly authorized at any time and from time to time to provide for the issuance of shares of Preferred Stock in one or more series, with such voting powers, full or limited (including, by way of illustration and not limitation, in excess of one vote per share), or without voting powers, and with such designations, preferences and relative participating, option or other rights, qualifications, limitations or restrictions, as shall be fixed and determined in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issuance thereof adopted by the Board of Directors, and as are not stated and expressed in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment hereto, including (but without limiting the generality of the foregoing) the following:
 - (a) The distinctive designation of such series and the number of shares which shall constitute such series, which number may be increased (except where otherwise provided by the Board of Directors in creating such series) or decreased from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors; and
 - (b) The rate and manner of payment of dividends payable on shares of such series, including the dividend rate, date of declaration and payment, whether dividends shall be cumulative, and the conditions upon which and the date from which such dividends shall be cumulative; and
 - (c) Whether shares of such series shall be redeemed, the time or times when, and the price or prices at which, shares of such series shall be redeemable, the redemption price, the terms and conditions of redemption, and the sinking fund provisions, if any, for the purchase or redemption of such shares; and
 - (d) The amount payable on shares of such series and the rights of holders of such shares in the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation; and
 - (e) The rights, if any, of the holders of shares of such series to convert such shares into, or exchange such shares for, shares of Common Stock, other securities, or shares of any other class or series of Preferred Stock and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange; and

- (f) The voting rights, if any, and whether full or limited, of the shares of such series, which may include no voting rights, one vote per share, or such higher number of votes per share as may be designated by the Board of Directors; and
- (g) The preemptive or preferential rights, if any, of the holders of shares of such series to subscribe for, purchase, receive, or otherwise acquire any part of any new or additional issue of stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, or of any bonds, debentures, notes, or other securities of the Corporation, whether or not convertible into shares of stock with the Corporation.
- (2) Except in respect of the relative rights and preferences that may be provided by the Board of Directors as hereinbefore provided, all shares of Preferred Stock shall be identical, and each share of a series shall be identical in all respects with the other shares of the same series. When payment of the consideration for which shares of Preferred Stock are to be issued shall have been received by the Corporation, such shares shall be deemed to be fully paid and nonassessable.

C. Common Stock Voting Rights.

Each record holder of Common Stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share held. Holders of Common Stock shall have no cumulative voting rights in any election of directors of the Corporation.

D. <u>Preemptive Rights</u>.

Holders of Common Stock shall not have as a matter of right any preemptive or preferential right to subscribe for, purchase, receive, or otherwise acquire any part of any new or additional issue of stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, or of any bonds, debentures, notes, or other securities of the Corporation, whether or not convertible into shares of the stock of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V

Registered Office and Agent; Principal Place of Business

The street address of the registered office of the Corporation shall be 4702 Cortez Road West, Bradenton, Florida 34210, and the registered agent of the Corporation at such address shall be Kevin C. Hale. The principal place of business and the mailing address of the Corporation shall be 4702 Cortez Road West, Bradenton, Florida 34210. The Corporation may change its registered agent, the location of its registered office, its principal place of business, or its mailing address, or any of the foregoing, from time to time without amendment of these Restated Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE VI

Directors

The number of Directors of this Corporation shall be the number from time to time fixed by the shareholders or by the Directors, in accordance with the provisions of the bylaws of the Corporation, but at no time shall the number of Directors be less than five. A majority of the full Board of Directors may, at any time during the year following the annual meeting of shareholders, increase the number of directors of this Corporation by not more than two and appoint persons to fill the resulting vacancies.

ARTICLE VII

<u>Bylaws</u>

The power to adopt, alter, amend, or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendment of Restated Articles of Incorporation

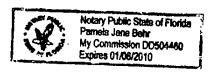
These Restated Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner from time to time provided by law and any right conferred upon the shareholders by a provision of these Restated Articles of Incorporation is hereby made subject to this reservation.

CERTIFICATE

The foregoing Restated Articles of Incorporation were duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation in accordance with the Act on April 11, 2008 and by the holders of the shares of Common Stock, being the sole shares entitled to vote thereon, in accordance with the Act, on May 15, 2008, and the number of votes cast for the foregoing Restated Articles of Incorporation was sufficient for approval by such holders of Common Stock.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned President and Chief Executive Officer of this Corporation has executed these Restated Articles of Incorporation on the 4th day of June, 2008.

	FIRST PRIORITY BANK
	By: Kevin C. Hale President and Chief Executive Officer
STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MANATEE)
	nent was acknowledged before me this <u>//th</u> day of June, 2008, by and Chief Executive Officer, of First Priority Bank, a Florida corporation.
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APPROVAL

Approved by the Florida Office of Regulation this 17th day of 5006, 2008.

Tallahassee, Florida

Linda B. Charity
Director, Division of Financial Institutions