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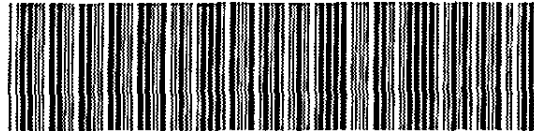
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January 26, 2004

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

Re: Tropical Ponds & Gardens, Inc.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed an original and duplicate of the Articles of Incorporation for the above-captioned corporation, together with a check in the amount of \$122.50 to cover the following items:

Filing Articles of Incorporation	\$ 35.00
Registered Agent Filing Fees	\$ 35.00
Certified Copies of Articles	<u>\$ 52.50</u>
Total	\$122.50

I would appreciate your returning a certified copy to me.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alexander G. Paderewski', written over a horizontal line.

ALEXANDER G. PADEREWSKI

AGP/as
Enclosure

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
TROPICAL PONDS & GARDENS, INC.**

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ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be TROPICAL PONDS & GARDENS, INC.
The mailing address for the corporation is 4017 Dyer Lane, Sarasota, Florida 34232.

ARTICLE II - DURATION

This corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

This corporation is organized for the following purposes: to manufacture, purchase, or otherwise acquire, and to own, mortgage, pledge, sell, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of, and to invest in, trade in, deal in and with goods, wares, merchandise, real and personal property, and services of every class, kind and description for the purpose of transacting any or all legal business, except that it is not to conduct a banking, safe deposit, trust, insurance, surety, express, railroad, canal, telegraph, telephone or cemetery company, a building and loan association, mutual fire insurance association, cooperative association, fraternal benefit society, state fair or exposition.

ARTICLE IV - CAPITAL STOCK

This corporation is authorized to issue 7,500 shares of One Dollar (\$1.00) par value common stock which shall be designated "Common Shares."

ARTICLE V - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The name of the initial registered agent of this corporation is Alexander G. Paderewski, and his address is 1834 Main Street, Sarasota, Florida 34236.

ARTICLE VI - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have one director initially. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by-laws but shall never be less than one. the name and address of the initial directors of this corporation are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
MICHAEL D. KNOBLOCK	4017 Dyer Lane Sarasota, FL 34232

ARTICLE VII - SUBSCRIBER

The name and address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation is:
Alexander G. Paderewski, 1834 Main Street, Sarasota, Florida 34236.

ARTICLE VIII - TRANSFERABILITY OF SHARES

Any and all of the stockholders of this corporation may from time to time enter into such agreements as may seem expedient to them, relating to the shares of stock held by them, and limiting the transferability thereof: and thereafter any transfer of said shares shall be made in accordance with the terms of said agreement, provided that before the actual transfer of said shares on the books of the corporation, written notice of such agreement shall be stamped, *written or printed upon the certificate representing* said shares, and the by-laws of this corporation may likewise include proper provisions for the making of such agreements as aforesaid.

**ARTICLE IX
TRANSACTION WITH INTERESTED DIRECTORS OR STOCKHOLDERS**

In the absence of fraud, no contract or other transaction between this corporation and any other corporation or any individual or firm shall be in any way affected or invalidated by the fact that any of the Directors or Officers of this corporation are interested in such contract or transaction, provided that such interest shall be fully disclosed or otherwise known to the Board of Directors in the meeting of such Board at which such contract or transaction is authorized or confirmed, and provided, however, that any such Directors of this corporation who are so interested may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors of this corporation which shall authorize or confirm such contract or transaction, and any such Director may vote thereon to authorize any such contract or transaction with like force and effect as if he were not such Director or officer of such other corporation or not so interested.

ARTICLE X - REPLACING STOCK CERTIFICATES

The Board of Directors may, by resolution, provide for the issuance of stock certificates to replace lost or destroyed certificates.

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in any manner provided by law.

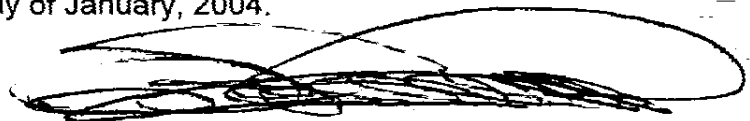
ARTICLE XII - INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify any Director or Officer or any former Officer or Director to the full extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE XIII - DATE OF COMMENCEMENT

The date of commencement of this corporation shall be the date of the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Department of State, State of Florida.

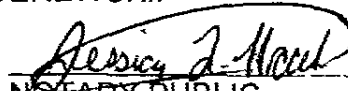
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 27 day of January, 2004.



ALEXANDER G. PADEREWSKI
Subscriber

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF SARASOTA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 27th day of January, 2004, by ALEXANDER G. PADEREWSKI.


NOTARY PUBLIC
Jessica L. Hooks

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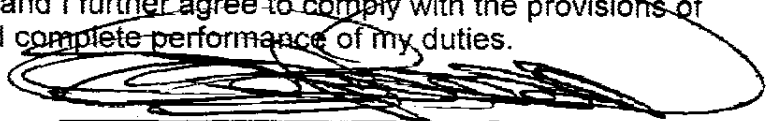
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Personally known _____
or Produced identification _____
Type of identification produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

Having been named to accept service of process for TROPICAL PONDS & GARDENS, INC. at the place indicated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

DATE: January 26, 2004



ALEXANDER G. PADEREWSKI