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April 8, 2009

Division of Corporations P. O. Box 637 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re:

Putnam Pride, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed Articles of Incorporation, an executed copy and check to your order in the amount of \$78.75. Please file at your earliest convenience. I remain

John D. Mussoline

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# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

April 13, 2009

JOHN D. MUSSOLINE, P.A. 415A ST. JOHNS AVENUE PALATKA, FL 32177

SUBJECT: PUTNAM PRIDE, INC. Ref. Number: W09000017209

We have received your document for PUTNAM PRIDE, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The Florida Statutes require an entity to designate a street address for its principal office address. A post office box is not acceptable for the principal office address. The entity may, however, designate a separate mailing address. The mailing address may be a post office box.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION LIAMASSEE, FLORIDA

OF

PUTNAM PRIDE, INC.

The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, natural persons competent to contract, hereby present these Articles for the formation of a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

# ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is: PUTNAM PRIDE, INC.

#### ARTICLE II

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation is to engage in every phase and aspect of any lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the Florida General Corporation Act.

To invest the funds of this corporation in real estate, mortgages, notes, stocks, bonds or any other type of investment, and to own real and personal property.

To do all and everything necessary and proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes of the attaining of any of the objects or the furtherance of any of the purposes enumerated in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendments thereof, and either alone or in association with other corporations, firms or individuals, to carry on any lawful pursuit necessary or incidental to the accomplishment of the purposes and objects of this corporation.

The foregoing enumeration of objects and purposes shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the purposes of this corporation otherwise permitted by law.

#### ARTICLE III

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 900 shares of common stock having a par value of \$1.00 per share.

The Board of Directors is authorized to issue "Section 1244 Stock" as defined by Section 1244 of the Internal Revenue Code.

# ARTICLE IV

The amount of capital with which this corporation will begin business is Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900.00).

#### ARTICLE V

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

#### <u>ARTICLE VI</u>

The initial post office address of this corporation in the State of Florida is 350 North SR 19, Palatka, Florida 32177. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the principal office to any other address in Florida. The name of the initial registered agent is L. Wayne McClain whose address is 350 North SR 19, Palatka, Florida 32177.

#### <u>ARTICLE VII</u>

This corporation shall have nine directors, initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by By-Laws adopted by the stockholders, but shall never be less than one (1).

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

The names and post office addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors are:

L. Wayne McClain 350 North SR 19

Palatka, Florida 32177

Stephen L. Beckett 700 Zeagler Drive, Suite 11 Palatka, Florida 32177

William E. Torode, III P. O. Box 801
Palatka, Florida 32178

Ben Bates, Jr.

3400 Crill Avenue

Palatka, Florida 32177

Kelley R. Smith, Jr.

232 Crystal Cove Drive

Palatka, Florida 32177

John H. Trescot, Jr.

A Ways Away

East Palatka, Florida 32131

John W. Wolfenden

700 Zeagler Drive, Suite 9

Palatka, Florida 32177

John M. Williams

5825 Gloria Avenue

St. Augustine, Florida 32080

Jack E. Cremer

151 W. Ranch Trail Palatka, Florida 32177

# ARTICLE IX

The name and post office address of the subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is L. Wayne McClain, 350 North SR 19, Palatka, Florida 32177.

#### ARTICLE X

Any shareholder of this corporation may enter into a voting trust agreement or any other type of agreement vesting in another person the authority to exercise the voting power of any or all of his shares.

# **ARTICLE XI**

No contract or other transaction between this corporation and any other corporation shall be affected by the fact that any director of this corporation is interested in or a director or officer of such other corporation. Every person who may become a director of this corporation is hereby relieved from any liability that might otherwise exist from contracting with this corporation for the benefit of himself or any firm, association or corporation in which he may be in any way interested.

#### ARTICLE XII

Any director of this corporation may be removed at any annual or special meeting of the stockholders by the same vote as that required to elect a director.

# **ARTICLE XIII**

In furtherance, and not in limitation of the general powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida, and of the purposes and objects hereinabove stated, this corporation shall have all and singular the following powers:

This corporation shall have the power to enter into, or become a partner in, any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interest, or cooperation, joint venture or otherwise, with any person, firm or corporation to carry on any business which this corporation has the direct or incidental authority to pursue.

This corporation shall have the power, at its option, to purchase and acquire any or all of its shares owned and held by any such shareholder as should desire to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of his shares, in accordance with the By-Laws adopted by the shareholders of this corporation setting forth the terms and conditions of such purchase; provided, however, the capital of this corporation is not impaired.

This corporation shall have the power to enter into, for the benefit of its employees, one or more of the following: (1) a pension plan. (2) a profit-sharing plan, (3) a stock bonus plan, (4) a thrift and savings plan, (5) a restricted stock option plan, (6) medical and dental reimbursement plan or (7) other retirement or incentive compensation plans.

# ARTICLE XIV

The corporation shall indemnify any and all persons who may serve or who have served at any time as directors or officers, or who at the request of the Board of Directors of the

corporation may serve or at any time have served as directors or officers of another corporation in which the corporation at such time owned or may own shares of stock or of which it was or may be a creditor, and their respective heirs, administrators, successors and assigns against any and all expenses, including amounts paid upon judgment, counsel fees, and amount paid in settlement (before or after suit is commenced). actually and necessarily incurred by such persons in connection with the defense or settlement of any claim, action, suit or proceeding in which they, or any of them, are made parties, or a party, or which may be asserted against them, or any of them, by reason of being or having been directors or officers, or a director or officer, of the corporation, or of such other corporation, except in relation to matters as to which any such director or officer, or former director or officer, or person shall be adjudged in any action, suit or proceeding to be liable for his own negligence of misconduct in the performance of his duty. Such indemnification shall be in addition to any other rights to which those indemnified may be entitled under any law, by-law agreement, vote of stockholders or otherwise.

# <u>ARTICLE XV</u>

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. All rights of stockholders are subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 8th day of April, 2009.

L. Wayne McClain

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF PUTNAM.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared, L. Wayne McClain, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles

of Incorporation and who acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Palatka, Putnam County, Florida this 8th day of April, 2009.

PATSY V. GLISSON Commission DD 808835 Expires October 18, 2012 Bonded Thru Troy Fath Insurance 800-385-7019

Notary Public - Patsy V. Glisson

Serial No. DD808835

# **ACCEPTANCE**

I, L. Wayne McClain, the initial registered agent accept the designation as such.

L. Wayne McClain

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