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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

MERIT INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS, INC.

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this corporation is MERIT INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS,

## ARTICLE II

## Duration

The term of existence of this corporation shall be perpetual.

### ARTICLE III

#### Purpose

This corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting any and all lawful business.

#### ARTICLE 'IV

## Capital Stock

This corporation is authorized to issue 7,500 shares at One (\$1.00) Dollar par value common stock, which shall be designated "common shares". The consideration to be paid for each share shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. Common stock of the

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corporation may be issued as "small business corporation" stock in accordance with a plan or plans under the provisions of Section 1244 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

All voting powers of this corporation shall be vested in the common stock above designated.

#### ARTICLE · V

## Principal Office and Registered Agent

The street address of the principal office of this corporation is 625 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida 33756. The name and address of the initial registered agent of this corporation is J. Paul Raymond, 625 Court Street, Suite 200, Clearwater, Florida 33756.

## ARTICLE .VI

## Initial Board of Directors and Officers

This corporation shall have one director and the following officers initially. The number of directors and/or officers may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the By-Laws,

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The names and addresses of the but shall never be less than one. initial directors and officers of this corporation are:

Name

Address

Office

Wendy Spencer

1401 South Fort Harrison Ave. President, Sec.

Clearwater, FL 33756

Director

#### ARTICLE VII

### Incorporators

The name and address of the person signing these Articles

is:

Name

Address

J. Paul Raymond

625 Court Street, Suite 200

Clearwater, FL 33756

#### ARTICLE VIII

## By-Laws

The power to adopt, alter, amend, or repeal By-Laws shall be vested in the Board of Directors and the shareholders.

#### ARTICLE IX

## Shareholder Quorum and Voting

Fifty-one (51%) percent of the shares entitled to vote, represented in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of shareholders.

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If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of fifty-one (51%) percent of the shares represented at the meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be the act of the shareholders.

#### ARTICLE X

#### Powers:

This corporation shall have all of the corporate powers enumerated in the Florida General Corporation Act, and, in addition to and not in limitation thereof, this corporation shall have the power to guarantee the performances of obligations of other persons, partnerships, corporations, or other entities.

#### ARTICLE XI

### Indemnification

The corporation shall indemnify any officer or director, or any former officer or director, to the full extent permitted by law.

#### ARTICLE XII

### Amendmeht

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 18th day of February.

2010.

Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this day personally appeared before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, J. PAUL RAYMOND, to me personally known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and who did take an oath and he acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Clearwater, said County and State, this 18th day of February, 2010.

Print Name:

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF RESIDENCE
OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE
NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act:

First -- That MERIT INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, in the City of Clearwater, County of Pinellas, State of Florida, has named J. PAUL RAYMOND, located at 625 Court Street, Suite 200, Clearwater, Florida 33756, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

J. PAUZ RAYMOND Registered Agent

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