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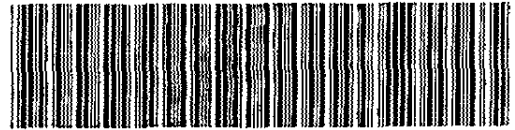
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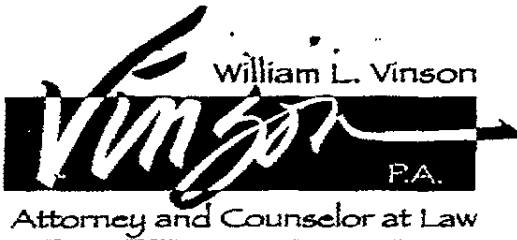
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December 29, 2010

Secretary of State  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
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RE: Tarapani's Department Store, Inc.

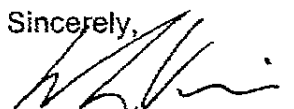
Enclosed are the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for:

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Please file the enclosed Articles of Incorporation and return a certified copy to the undersigned at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



William L. Vinson

email address to be used for future annual report notification: [taraant@verizon.net](mailto:taraant@verizon.net)

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF**

**TARAPANI'S DEPARTMENT STORE, INC.**

**I. CORPORATE NAME**

The name of this corporation is: TARAPANI'S DEPARTMENT STORE, INC.

**II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE OR MAILING ADDRESS**

The principal place of business and the mailing address of this corporation are:  
128 E. Tarpon Avenue  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

**III. NATURE OF BUSINESS AND POWERS.**

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this Corporation is to engage in any and all business permitted under the laws of the State of Florida.

**IV. TERM OF EXISTENCE AND STOCK.**

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence, commencing on January 1, 2011.  
The maximum number of shares of stock that this Corporation is authorized to issue and have outstanding at any one time is 7,500 shares of common stock.

**V. REGISTERED AGENT AND INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE.**

The name and address of the initial Registered Agent of this Corporation are:  
John K. Tarapani  
128 E. Tarpon Avenue  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

The Board of Directors from time to time may move the Registered Office to any other address in the State of Florida.

**VI. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

This Corporation shall have three directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by Bylaws adopted by the stockholders, but

shall never be less than one.

VII. INITIAL DIRECTORS.

The names of the initial directors of this Corporation and their street addresses are:

John K. Tarapani  
128 E. Tarpon Avenue  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Townsend Tarapani  
128 E. Tarpon Avenue  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Cynthia H. Tarapani  
128 E. Tarpon Avenue  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

The persons named as initial directors shall hold office for the first year of existence of this Corporation or until their successors are elected or appointed and have qualified, whichever occurs first.

VIII. INCORPORATOR.

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation as the Incorporator is:

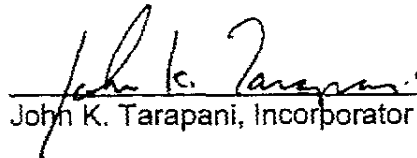
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Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

IX. AMENDMENT.

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the stockholders and approved at a stockholders' meeting by at least a majority of the stock entitled to vote, unless all of the directors and all of the stockholders sign a written statement manifesting their intention that a certain amendment of these Articles of

Incorporation be made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, as Incorporator, has executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010.

  
John K. Tarapani, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF PINELLAS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010, is personally known to me or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC:

sign: 

print: \_\_\_\_\_

State of Florida at Large (Seal)

My commission expires:



**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS  
FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE,  
NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

In compliance with Sections 48.091 and 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

That TARAPANI'S DEPARTMENT STORE, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at 128 E. Tarpon Avenue, Tarpon Springs, County of Pinellas, State of Florida, has named John K. Tarapani, located at 128 E. Tarpon Avenue, Tarpon Springs, County of Pinellas, State of Florida, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Having been named as registered agent and designated to accept service of process for the above Corporation, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Date: 12/29/10

John K. Tarapani  
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