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May 21, 2012

Department of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re:

Mermaid Restaurant, Inc.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Enclosed please find the original Articles of Incorporation for Mermaid Restaurant, Inc. to be submitted for filing along with my office account check in the amount of \$122.50 to cover the cost of said filing.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Articles of Incorporation to be certified and returned to my office at the address listed above.

Please advise if additional information is needed.

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Peter A. Peak

Sincerely

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cc:

Mr. Edward M. Spring



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SUBJECT: MERMAID RESTAURANT, INC.

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We have received your document for MERMAID RESTAURANT, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of an existing entity.

Please select a new name and make the correction in all appropriate places. One or more major words may be added to make the name distinguishable from the one presently on file.

Adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of a name is not acceptable.

Please return 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

The undersigned, acting as sole incorporator of a corporation under the Florida General Corporation Act, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

- 1. NAME: The name of this corporation is THE MERMAID GROUP, INC.
- 2. **DURATION**: The period of its duration is perpetual.
- 3. <u>PURPOSE</u>: The purpose is to engage in any activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States and Florida.
- 4. <u>STOCK</u>: The corporation is authorized to issue ONE HUNDRED, (100) shares of common stock, all of one (1) class, at ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) par value.
- 5. <u>ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE</u>: The address of the principal office of the corporation is:

503 Pine Avenue Anna Maria, Florida 34216

6. <u>INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT</u>: The name and address of the initial registered agent and office of this corporation is as follows:

Edward M. Spring 503 Pine Avenue Anna Maria, Florida 34216

7. **INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**: This corporation shall have two (2) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by an amendment of the By-Laws of the corporation in the manner provided by law, but shall never be less than one (1).

The names and addresses of the initial directors of this corporation are:

NAME
ADDRESS

Edward M. Spring
P.O. Box 4197
Anna Maria, Florida 34216

Andrea L. Spring
P.O. Box 4197
Anna Maria, Florida 34216

8. INCORPORATOR: The name and address of the incorporator signing these Articles of Incorporation is:

NAME

ADDRESS

Edward M. Spring

P.O. Box 4197 Anna Maria, Florida 3416

- 9. <u>AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES</u>: This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.
- 10. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>: The corporation may be empowered to indemnify any officer or director or any former officer or director in the manner set out and provided for pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.041 of the Florida Statutes, as amended.
- 11. PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS: Each shareholder of this corporation shall have the first right to purchase shares, and securities convertible into shares, of any class, kind or series of stock in this corporation that may from time to time be issued whether or not presently authorized including the shares from the treasury of this corporation, in the ratio that the numbers of shares he holds at the time of issue bears to the total number of shares outstanding, exclusive of treasury shares. This right shall be deemed waived by any shareholder who does not exercise it and pay for the shares preempted within thirty (30) days of receipt of a notice in writing from the corporation, stating the prices, terms and conditions of the issue of shares, and inviting him to exercise his preemptive rights. This right may also be waived by affirmative written waiver submitted by the shareholder to the corporation within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice from the corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this day of ________, 2012.

EDWARD M. SPRING, Incorporato

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for said corporation.

EDWARD M. SPRING, Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA **COUNTY OF MANATEE**

BEFORE ME personally appeared EDWARD M. SPRING, personally known to me or who has produced Florida Driver's License #: _______ as identification and has produced Florida Driver's License #: A as identification and is described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this day of

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

Signéd Name of Notary Public

Typed Name of Notary Public Commission Notary Public JANET C. HOLLINS

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