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DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FIRST CHOICE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

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The undersigned hereby makes, subscribes, acknowledges, and files this certificate for the purpose of becoming a corporation for profit under the laws of the State of Florida:

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this Corporation shall be First Choice Financial Services, Inc.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

This Corporation shall be organized for the purposes of operating a Premium Finance Company, and for any other business or purpose which is lawful under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III

Agent

The registered agent of this Corporation shall be Bruce Culpepper. The address of the registered agent shall be 215 South Monroe Street, 2nd Floor, Tallahassee, FL 32301.

ARTICLE IV

Existence

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE V

Address

The initial street address of the principal office of this Corporation shall be 7777 Davie Road Extension, Davie, FL 33024.

ARTICLE VI

Capital Stock

The authorized capital stock of this Corporation shall consist of One Hundred Thousand (100,000) shares each with a one cent (\$0.01) par value.

ARTICLE VII

Preemptive Rights, Cumulative Voting

Holders of the capital stock of the Corporation shall not have the preemptive right to purchase any new shares of stock or securities, or rights to acquire stock or securities of the Corporation. Cumulative voting shall not be allowed in the election of its directors or for any other purposes.

ARTICLE VIII

Directors

This Corporation shall have no less than one director (1) nor more than fifteen. The number on the Board shall be set from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, or by the stockholders at an annual or special meeting thereof. The names and addresses of the members of the initial Board of Directors are as follows:

<u>Name</u>

Address

Joseph Mooney

7777 Davie Road Extension Davie, FL 33024

ARTICLE IX

Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is: Bruce Culpepper, 215 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

ARTICLE X

Officers

The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and such other officers or agents as may be appointed by the Board of Directors. All officers, agents or employees as may be necessary shall be chosen in such a manner, for such time, and have such duties as may be

described by the By-Laws or determined by the Board of Directors. The names and addresses of the initial officers are as follows:

Office

Hame and Address

Promident/ Treasurer and Secretary Joseph Mooney

ARTICLE XI

Indemnification

The Corporation shall indomnify any person who was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation, or is, or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, including appeals, unless he acted with gross negligence or willful misconduct. Determination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement or conviction shall not create a presumption that the person acted with gross negligence or willful misconduct. The determination of whether a person acted within the standard of conduct described above shall be made in one of the following manners:

- i. A majority vote of a quorum of directors who were not parties to the action, suit or proceeding; or
- ii. If a majority of the disinterested directors so requests, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion; or
- iii. If a majority of the disinterested directors so requests, by a qualified independent arbitrator.

Success on the merits in defense of any action, suit or proceeding shall be determinative that the person acted within the necessary standard of conduct and no further determination shall be necessary.

Expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred in defending a civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding may be paid by the Corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding, upon a preliminary determination by the disinterested Board members that the person did not act with gross negligence or willful misconduct, upon receipt of an undertaking by such person to repay such amount upon any ultimate determination

that he acted with gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Indemnification as provided hereunder shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee, or agent and shall inure to the benefit of his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns.

The Corporation shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation, or is, or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity, or arising out of the status as such, whether or not the Corporation has the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provision of this section.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned Incorporator, hereby set my hand and seal this $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}$ day of January, 1995, for the purpose of forming this Corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, and I hereby make and file in the Office of the Secretary of the State in the State of Florida the Certificates of Incorporation and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

Incorporator J

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NOTATE PUBLIC - STATE OF FLORIDA

PRINTED NAME OF NOTARY; COMMISSION NUMBER AND EXPIRATION OF COMMISSION

Personally known to me or produced the following identification:



CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of section 607.0501, Plorida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the state of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the state of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is: FIRST CHOICE FINANCIAL
SERVICES, INC.
2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:
BRUCE_CULPEPPER (NAME)
(MANE)
215 SOUTH MONROE STREET, 2ND FLOOR
(P.O. BOX NOT ACCEPTABLE)
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301
(CITY/STATE/ZIP)
SIGNATURE TITLE Incorporator DATE /- /3 - 95
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301 (CITY/STATE/ZIP) SIGNATURE TITLE_Incorporator

HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, 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.

SIGNATURE

DATE

1-/3-95

REGISTERED AGENT FILING FEE: \$35.00