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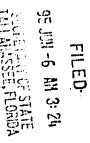
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June 1, 1995

Florida Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314



RE: Filing Articles of Incorporation and Designation of Registered agent for Meridian Veterinary Products, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed is 1 original and one exact copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above-named proposed Florida corporation. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$122.50 representing payment of the following:

Filing Fee:

\$35.00

Registered Agent Fee:

\$35.00

Certified Copy Fee

\$52.50

Finally enclosed is a letter of consent from the vice-president of the recently voluntarily dissolved Meridian Veterinary Products, Inc. stating James Lanier is authorized by the dissolved corporation to incorporate under the name Meridian

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If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Very Truly Yours.

Robert T. Smallwood II

#### Consent Letter

To:

Florida Department of State Division of Corporations

Dear Sirs;

This is a consent letter whereby I, Jim Herring, as Vice President of Meridian Veterinary Products, Inc. a Florida Corporation voluntarily dissolved March 30, 1995, consent to the immediate incorporation by James Lanier, D.V.M. under the name Meridian Veterinary Products, Inc.

Jim Herring

Vice President,

Meridian Veterinary Products, Inc.

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MACANO

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 5/25/951995 by Jim Herring as Vice President of Meridian Veterinary Products, a voluntarily dissolved Florida corporation, on behalf of the corporation. He is personally known to me or has produced a drivers license as identification.

Nota COMMISSION NO. CC194850 MY COMMISSION EXP. MAY 11,1996

# Articles of Incorporation of Meridian Veterinary Products, Inc.



#### Article I. Name and Address

The name of this corporation is Meridian Veterinary Products, Inc.. The address of the corporation and the principal office of this corporation is 8510 Coash Road, Sarasota, FL 34241

#### Article II. Duration

This corporation shall exist perpetually commencing five days prior to the filing of these articles.

# Article III. Purpose

This corporation is organized for the purpose of sales of veterinary products and the purpose of transacting any or all lawful business.

# Article IV. Capital Stock

This corporation is authorized to issue one hundred shares of one dollar (\$1.00) par value common stock.

#### Article V. Preemptive Rights

Every shareholder, upon the sale for cash of any authorized and unissued stock of this corporation of the same kind, class or series as that which he already holds, shall have the right

to purchase his pro rata share (as nearly as may be done without issuance of fractional shares) at the price at which it is offered to others.

# Article VI. Initial Registered Agent and Office

The street address of the office of the initial registered agent of this corporation is 8510 Coash Road, Sarasota, FL 34241 and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is James H. Lanier.

### Article VII. Board of Directors

This Corporation shall have one director 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.

#### Article VIII. Initial Director

The names of the initial director of this Corporation and his street address is:

**NAME** 

**ADDRESS** 

James H. Lanier, D.V.M.

8510 Coash Road Sarasota, FL 34241

### Article IX. Incorporator

The name and address of the person signing these articles is:

James H. Lanier, D.V.M., 8510 Coash Road, Sarasota, FL 34241.

# Article X. Indemnification

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

#### Article XI. Amendment

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these articles of incorporation, or any amendment to them. Any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned subscriber has executed the articles of incorporation on 5-18, 1995.

James H. Lanier, D.V.M., Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF SARASOTA

Notary Public, State of Florida

Print Notary Name:

My Commission Expires: (Seal)

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"OFFICIAL SEAL"
Robert T Smallwood, II
My Commission Expires 9/15/95
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Alan Insurance Agency

# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for Meridian Veterinary Products, Inc., at the place designated in the Articles of Incorporation, James H. Lanier, P.A. agrees to act in this capacity, and agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091 relative to keeping open such office. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of the position of registered agent.

Dated: 5-18 1995

James H. Lanier, P.A., Registered Agent

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