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July 20, 2005

#### **HAND DELIVER**

Ms. Susan Payne Section Administrator Amendment Filing Section Florida Division of Corporations 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Subject: Article Amendment - Peoples Bank

Dear Ms. Payne:

Please file the enclosed amendment to the articles of incorporation of Peoples Bank, Palm Harbor, Florida. As noted in the amendment, the effective date is to be July 22, 2005, at 8:01 p.m. The distribution of the certified copies should be made as follows:

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Also enclosed is a check for \$61.25 representing the filing and certified copy fees. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (850) 410-9287.

Sincerely,

Teresa L. Crawford Financial Specialist

Bureau of Bank Regulation

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# ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF PEOPLES BANK

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The undersigned officers of Peoples Bank, Palm Harbor, Florida, do hereby certify that on the 30th day of June, 2005, Synovus Financial Corp. ("Synovus"), the holder of 100% of its outstanding capital stock, acted by written consent in lieu of a meeting and approved an amendment to Article I of the Articles of Incorporation as set out herein, in compliance with Sections 607.0704 and 607.1006, Florida Statutes, and with the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of said corporation. Synovus, in its capacity as sole shareholder, approved the amendment changing the name of the corporation to SYNOVUS BANK OF TAMPA BAY and amending Article I of the Articles of Incorporation so that, effective July 22, 2005 at 8:01 p.m. Eastern Time, in lieu of its present language, it shall read:

#### ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be SYNOVUS BANK OF TAMPA BAY and its initial place of business shall be 32845 U.S. Highway 19, in the City of Palm Harbor, in the County of Pinellas, and in the State of Florida.

David W. Dunbar Chairman and CEO

(Corporate Seal)

Wayne Bard Secretary

Approved by the Office of Financial Regulation this 12th day of July, 2005.

Director, Financial Institutions