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January 10, 1996

Secretary of State Corporate Division Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32304

RE: THE BIMINI GROUP, INC.

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Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith an original and a copy of Articles of Incorporation for the above-named corporation. In addition, a check in the sum of \$122.50 is enclosed which represents the following fees:

Filing fee	\$35.00
Certified copy	\$35.00
Registered Agent fee	<u>\$52.50</u>

Total

\$122.50

Please file the original of the enclosed Articles of Incorporation and return a certified copy to the undersigned.

Your prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Michael J. Marees

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Enclosures

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE BIMINI GROUP, INC.

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The undersigned, acting as Incorporator of a corporation under the Florida Business Corporation Act, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

- 1. NAME. The name of this corporation is THE BIMINI GROUP, INC.
- 2. PRINCIPAL OFFICE/MAILING ADDRESS: The principal office of the corporation is 107 North 38th Street, Mexico Beach, Florida 32410. The mailing address of the corporation is 7200 Cherry Bluff Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30350.
- 3. SHARES. This corporation is authorized to issue 12,000 shares, all of one class, at \$1.00 par value.
- 4. INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT. The name and street address of the initial registered agent and office of this corporation is as follows:

Michael J. Marees 6320 St. Augustine Road, Building 10 Jacksonville, Florida 32217

5. INCORPORATOR. The name and address of the Incorporator signing these Articles of Incorporation is:

Name

Address

Michael J. Marees

6320 St. Augustine Road Building 10 Jacksonville, Florida 32217 6. 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 (whather or not presently authorized), including shares from the treasury of the corporation, in the ratio that the number of shares he holds at the time of issue bears to the total number of shares 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.

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- 7. PURPOSE. The purpose is to engage in any activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States and Florida.
 - 8. DURATION. The period of its duration is perpetual.
- 9. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES. 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.

Michael J. Marecs, Ancorporator

CONSENT OF REGISTERED AGENT

HAVING BEEN NAMED as registered agent for the above-stated corporation, 1 hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties and I accept the duties and obligations of \$607.0505, Florida Statutes.

Michael J. Marees, Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DUVAL

an officer duly authorized in the s	me, Both Anne Lamps, state and county named above to take
	d MICHAEL J. MAREES, [-] personally as identification and
proved to my satisfaction that he/she executed the foregoing instrument and I executed the same.	is the person described above, and who he/she acknowledged before me that he/she
Executed and scaled by me at _this <u>foth</u> day of <u>January</u> , 1996.	Jacksonville, Florida on
	Notary Public Jaung
My Commission Expires:	•

