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**CAPITAL CONNECTION, INC.**

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No. 52504

RE: Express Furniture, Inc.

APR 19 AM 9:34

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 FIRM \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
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PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Service: Top Priority \_\_\_\_\_ Regular \_\_\_\_\_  
 One Day Service Two Day Service

To us via \_\_\_\_\_ Return via \_\_\_\_\_

Matter No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Express Mail No. \_\_\_\_\_

State Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Our \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Capital Express™
- Art. of Inc. File
- Corp. Record Search
- Ltd. Partnership File
- Foreign Corp. File
- Cert. Copy(s) *Date*
- Art. of Amend. File
- Dissolution/Withdrawal
- C U S- *65*
- Fictitious Name File
- Name Reservation
- Annual Report/Reinstatement
- Reg. Agent Service
- Document Filing
- Corporate Kit
- Vehicle Search
- Driving Record
- Document Retrieval
- UCC 1 or 3 File
- UCC 11 Search
- UCC 11 Retrieval
- File No.'s, Copies
- Courier Service
- Shipping/Handling
- Phone ( )
- Top Priority
- Express Mail Prep.
- FAX ( ) pgs.

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SUBTOTALS \_\_\_\_\_

*PH 4/19/98*

REQUEST	TAKEN	CONFIRMED	APPROVED
DATE	<u>4/19</u>	_____	_____
TIME	<u>9:00</u>	_____	CK No. _____
BY	<u>PH</u>	_____	_____

WALK-IN Will Pick Up \_\_\_\_\_

FEE.....	\$ _____
DISBURSED.....	\$ _____
SURCHARGE.....	\$ _____
TAX on corporate supplies.....	\$ _____
SUBTOTAL.....	\$ _____
PREPAID.....	\$ _____
BALANCE DUE.....	\$ _____
.....	\$ _____

Please remit invoice number with payment  
 TERMS: NET 10 DAYS FROM INVOICE DATE  
 1 1/2% per month on Past Due Amounts  
 Past 30 Days, 18% per Annum.

THANK YOU  
 from  
 Your Capital Connection

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
EXPRESS FURNITURE INC.

STATE OF FLORIDA  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, being a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a corporation for profit under Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, as amended.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this corporation shall be:  
Express Furniture Inc.

ARTICLE II - INITIAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The initial principal office of the corporation is:

c/o James D. Christie  
4879 Highway 17 South  
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

ARTICLE III - DURATION

The corporation is to commence its corporate existence on the date of filing by the Secretary of the State of Florida. This corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE IV - PURPOSE

This corporation is organized for the following purpose:

The transaction of any and all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated, including but not limited to those powers enumerated in Florida Statutes §607.0302, et. seq., as amended, and the doing of all lawful things related thereto.

ARTICLE V - CAPITAL STOCK

This corporation is authorized to issue Seven Thousand Five Hundred (7,500) shares of One and NO/100 Dollars (\$1.00) par value common stock. Each outstanding share, regardless of class, shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the shareholders, unless otherwise designated as "NONVOTING" by a resolution recorded in the corporation's minute book and a similar legend on the subject certificate(s). The shares of stock may be issued for such consideration, having a value not less than the par value of the shares issued therefor, as

is determined from time to time by the board of directors, to be paid, in whole or in part, in cash or other property, tangible or intangible, or in labor or services actually performed for the corporation.

#### ARTICLE VI - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The name of the initial registered agent and the street address of the initial registered agent of this corporation is:

David A. King  
Attorney at Law  
1416 Kingsley Avenue  
Orange Park, FL 32073

#### ARTICLE VII - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have one (1) director initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time but shall never be less than one (1). All corporate powers shall be exercised by and under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed under the direction of, the board of directors. Any and all additional powers and duties conferred to or imposed upon the board of directors, shall be by resolution of the shareholders.

The name and address of the initial director is:

James D. Christie  
4879 Highway 17 South  
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

#### ARTICLE VIII - RESTRAINT ON TRANSFER OF SHARES

The shareholders may, by agreement, impose any reasonable restraint on the transfer or alienation of shares.

#### ARTICLE IX - INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation may indemnify any present or former officer, incorporator, or director, or person exercising powers and duties of a director, to the full extent now or hereafter permitted by law.

#### ARTICLE X - AMENDMENT

The shareholders reserve the right to alter, amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or to adopt new provisions. These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a simple majority vote

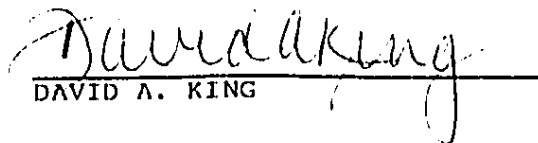
of the voting stock of the corporation that is present,  
at any regular meeting of the shareholders or at any special  
meeting of the shareholders called for that purpose.  
These Articles of Incorporation may be amended without  
a meeting as provided for in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing these  
Articles of Incorporation is:

David A. King  
Attorney at Law  
1416 Kingsley Avenue  
Orange Park, Florida 32073

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator  
has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 16th  
day of April, 1996.

  
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DAVID A. KING

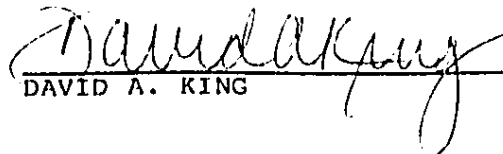
CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Pursuant to Section 48.091 and Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:  
Express Furniture Inc., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation in the State of Florida, has named as its agent to accept service of process within this State:

David A. King  
Attorney at Law  
1416 Kingsley Avenue  
Orange Park, FL 32073

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been named as Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act.

  
DAVID A. KING