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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
COASTAL FINANCE CORPORATION V

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THE UNDERSIGNED, for the purpose of forming a corporation for profit pursuant to Chapter 607, Florida Statutes, does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

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ARTICLE I  
NAME

The name of the Corporation is: COASTAL FINANCE CORPORATION V

ARTICLE II  
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The principal place of business of the Corporation is: 4901 N.W. 17th Way, Suite 100B, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

ARTICLE III  
DURATION

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence commencing on the date of the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Department of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE IV  
PURPOSES

This Corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting the only following activities and the business in which the Corporation may engage and the powers which the Corporation may exercise are restricted exclusively to the following:

I. To acquire from time to time all right, title and interest in and to installment sale or lease contracts or promissory notes arising out of or relating to the purchase or lease of business equipment, monies due thereunder, the equipment financed thereby or security interest therein, proceeds from claims on the insurance policies related thereto, and related rights and other property appurtenant thereto (collectively, "Assets");

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II. To acquire, own, hold, sell, assign, pledge and otherwise deal with the Assets, collateral securing the Assets, related insurance policies, agreements with vendors or lessors or other originators or servicers of Assets and any proceeds or further rights associated with any of the foregoing; and

III. To transfer with the prior written consent of Financial Security Assurance, Inc. (directly or through a purchase and sale agreement with another special purpose entity) from time to time the Assets to trust (the "Trust") pursuant to one or more pooling and servicing agreements, indentures or other agreements ("Securitization Agreements"), to be entered into by, among others, the Corporation (or such other special purpose entity), the trustee named therein (the "Trustee"), I and any entity acting as servicer for the Assets.

#### **ARTICLE V CAPITAL STOCK**

This Corporation is authorized to issue 1,000 shares of \$.01 par value common stock.

#### **ARTICLE VI QUORUM FOR STOCKHOLDERS MEETINGS**

Unless otherwise provided for in the Corporation's Bylaws, a majority of the shares entitled to vote, represented in person or by proxy, shall be required to constitute a quorum at a meeting of shareholders.

#### **ARTICLE VII INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT**

The street address of the initial registered office of this Corporation is 1876 N. University Drive, Mercede Executive Park, Suite 201, Plantation, Florida 33322, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at such address is Eric B. Zwiebel.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

(a) The number of directors constituting the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be such as from time to time shall be fixed by, or in the manner provided in, the By-Laws of the corporation. At all times, at least two of the directors and one of the executive officers of the corporation shall be Independent Directors and an Independent Officer. For the purposes of this certificate, "Independent Director" and "Independent Officer" shall mean a director or executive officer, respectively, of the corporation who shall at no time be a director or officer of, or be employed by, any director ultimate parent, or Affiliate of the parent, of the corporation, and who shall at no time hold any

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beneficial interest in the corporation; provided however, that such Independent Directors and Independent Officers may serve in similar capacities for other "special purpose corporations" formed by the parent of the corporation and its Affiliates; and "Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any entity, any other entity other than the corporation, controlling or controlled by or under common control with such entity, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. No Independent Director shall, with regard to any act, or failure to act, in connection with any matter referred to in Articles 12 and 13 herein, owe a fiduciary duty or other obligation to the stockholders (except as may specifically be required by the laws of any applicable jurisdiction); instead, to the extent permitted by applicable law, such directors' fiduciary duty and other obligations with regard to such act, or failure to act, in connection with any matter referred to in Articles 12 and 13 herein shall be owed to the Corporation, including, without limitation, the creditors of the Corporation. In furtherance of the foregoing duties, and to the extent permitted by applicable law, when voting on matters subject to the vote of the Board of Directors, including those matters specified in the Article 8 herein, notwithstanding that the Corporation is not then insolvent, the Independent Directors shall take into account the interests of the creditors of the Corporation as well as the interests of the Corporation. Every stockholder shall be deemed to have consented to the foregoing by virtue of such stockholder's purchase of shares of capital stock of the Corporation, no further act or deed of any stockholder being required to evidence such consent.

(b) In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the board of directors is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the by-laws of the corporation with the consent of the Independent Directors; provided, however, that any action under or in respect of the by-laws of the corporation that bears upon whether the separate corporate identity of the corporation and its Affiliates will be respected and the assets of the corporation not consolidated with those of any Affiliate under applicable federal or state bankruptcy or insolvency law must receive the prior consent of the Independent Directors.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**INCORPORATOR**

Dexter W. Dean  
Suite 100  
4901 N.W. 17th Way  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

**ARTICLE X**  
**INDEMNIFICATION**

The Corporation shall indemnify its officers, directors and authorized agents for all liabilities incurred directly, indirectly

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or incidentally to services performed for the Corporation, to the fullest extent permitted under Florida law existing now or hereinafter enacted.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**LIMITATION ON SHAREHOLDERS SUITS**

3 Shareholders shall not have a cause of action against the Company's Officers, Directors or agents as a result of any action taken, or as a result of their failure to take any action, unless deprivation of such right is deemed a nullity because, in the specific case, deprivation of a right of action would be impermissible in conflict with the public policy of the State of Florida. The fact that this Article shall be inapplicable in certain circumstances shall not render it inapplicable in any other circumstances and the Courts of the State of Florida are hereby granted the specific authority to restructure this Article, on a case by case basis or generally, as required to most fully give legal effect to its intent.

**ARTICLE XII**

The corporation shall not engage in any business or activity other than as permitted in Article V hereof. The corporation shall not commingle its assets with those of any other person. The corporation shall maintain its financial and accounting books and records separate from those of any other entity or person. The corporation shall pay from its assets all obligations and indebtedness of any kind incurred by the corporation, and shall not pay from its assets any obligations or indebtedness of any other entity or person. Any financial transactions between the corporation and any of its Affiliates shall be governed by policies and procedures established by a majority of the board of directors, including the Independent Directors. The board of directors shall maintain appropriate minutes or other corporation records including without limitation written consents, of all appropriate actions, including actions required to be approved by the Independent Directors, and shall conduct meetings if deemed necessary to approve any corporate action. The corporation shall conduct its business from an officer or offices separate from the office of an Affiliate.

**ARTICLE XIII**

Without the prior written consent of Financial Security Assurance, Inc., and without the prior written consent of the Independent Directors, Independent Officers and stockholders, the corporation shall not (i) institute proceedings to be adjudicated bankrupt or insolvent, or consent to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against it, or file a petition or consent to a petition seeking reorganization or relief under any applicable federal or state law relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or consent to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator (or other similar official) of the

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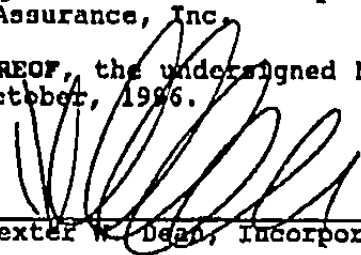
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corporation, or a substantial part of its property, or make any assignment for the benefit of creditors, or, except as required by law, admit in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, to take any corporate action in furtherance of any such action; (ii) dissolve or liquidate, in whole or in part; (iii) merge or consolidate with or into any other entity; (iv) incur, assume or guarantee any indebtedness for borrowed money or for the deferred purchase price of goods or services other than those items set forth in Article THIRD hereof or lend or advance moneys to, or make an investment in, any person; or (v) engage in any other action that bears upon whether the separate identity of the corporation and its parent will be respected, or the assets of the corporation will be consolidated with those of its parent under applicable Federal or state bankruptcy or insolvency law including, without limitation, (a) holding itself out as being liable for the debts of any other party; (b) forming, or causing to be formed, any subsidiaries; or (c) acting other than in its corporate name and through its duly authorized officers or agents.

**ARTICLE XV**

The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this certificate of incorporation by the unanimous vote of the holders of all the corporation's outstanding Common Stock and the unanimous vote of all of the corporation's directors; provided however, that any action in respect of this Articles of incorporation that bears upon whether the separate identity of the corporation and its Affiliates (as defined in Article Seventh VVI) will be respected and the assets of the corporation not consolidated with those of any Affiliate under applicable federal or state bankruptcy or insolvency law must receive the prior consent of the Independent Directors; provided further, that no amendment to Articles VI, V, V, VVI, XV, XVI and XV hereof shall be effective unless it is in accordance with the provisions of the Lease and Equipment Sale Agreement and the Receivables Sale Agreement and with prior written consent of Financial Security Assurance, Inc.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has subscribed his name this 15th day of October, 1996.

  
Dexter W. Dean, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA     )  
                              ) ss.  
COUNTY OF BROWARD    )

On this 15th day of October, 1996, before me a Notary Public authorized to take acknowledgments in the State and County set forth above, personally appeared Dexter W. Dean, who is personally known to me, or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_

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as identification, and who whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed it for the purpose therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Official Seal.

Notary Public, State of Florida

Sign:

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My Commission Expires:



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MY COMMISSION # CC40000 EXPIRES  
November 20, 1999  
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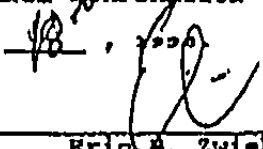
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ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT

I, Eric B. Zwiebel, hereby accept designation as Registered  
Agent of COASTAL FINANCE CORPORATION V.

Dated: October 18, 1996

  
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Eric B. Zwiebel

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