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INTO

HEALTH SERVICES (DELAWARE),

INC.

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ARTICLES OF MERGER Merger Sheet

MERGING:

FLORIDA GULF COAST HOLDINGS, INC., a FL corp. P97000012259

INTO

HEALTH SERVICES (DELAWARE), INC., a Delaware corporation not qualified in Florida.

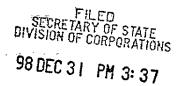
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ARTICLES OF MERGER OF FLORIDA GULF COAST HOLDINGS, INC. INTO HEALTH SERVICES (DELAWARE), INC.



To the Department of State State of Florida

Pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act, the domestic wholly-owned subsidiary business corporation and the foreign parent business corporation herein named do hereby adopt the following articles of merger.

- 1. Annexed hereto and made a part hereof is the Plan of Merger (the "Plan") for merging Florida Gulf Coast Holdings, Inc. with and into Health Services (Delaware), Inc. as approved by the Board of Directors of Florida Gulf Coast Holdings, Inc. on December 29, 1998 and adopted at a meeting by the Board of Directors of Health Services (Delaware), Inc. on December 29, 1998.
- 2. The merger of Florida Gulf Coast Holdings, Inc. with and into Health Services (Delaware), Inc. is permitted by the laws of the jurisdiction of organization of Health Services (Delaware), Inc. and has been authorized in compliance with said laws. The date of adoption of the Plan of Merger by the Board of Directors of Health Services (Delaware), Inc. was December 29, 1998.
- 3. Shareholders of Florida Gulf Coast Holdings, Inc. and Health Services (Delaware), Inc. approved the Plan effective as of December 29, 1998.

The effective time and date of the merger herein provided for in the State of Florida shall be upon filing.

Executed on December 30, 1998.

FLORIDA GULF COAST HOLDINGS, INC.

By:

David L. Denson Assistant Secretary

HEALTH SERVICES (DELAWARE), INC.

By:

David L. Denson Assistant Secretary

PLAN OF MERGER

- 1. Health Services (Delaware), Inc., which is a business corporation of the State of Delaware, and Florida Gulf Coast Holdings, Inc., which is a business corporation of the State of Florida, hereby merges Florida Gulf Coast Holdings, Inc. into Health Services (Delaware), Inc. pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act and pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the jurisdiction of organization of Health Services (Delaware), Inc.
- 2. The separate existence of Florida Gulf Coast Holdings, Inc. shall cease at the effective time and date of the merger pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act; and Health Services (Delaware), Inc. shall continue its existence as the surviving corporation pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization.
- 3. The issued shares of Florida Gulf Coast Holdings, Inc. shall not be converted in any manner, but each said share which is issued immediately prior to the effective time and date of the merger shall be surrendered and extinguished.
- 4. The Board of Directors and the proper officers of Health Services (Delaware), Inc. are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to do any and all acts and things, and to make, execute, deliver, file, and/or record any and all instruments, papers, and documents which shall be or become necessary, proper or convenient to carry out or put into effect any of the provisions of this Plan of Merger or of the merger herein provided for.