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Division of Corporations
Attn: Charter Section

The Capital P.O. Box 6327

Tallahassee, Florida 32314

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Re: Articles of Incorporation for Wickstand, Inc.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find an original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for Wickstand, Inc., and our check for \$122.50.

Please file the Articles of Incorporation, and return the Certified Copy to our office.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

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Sincerely,

Peter Clèment

Paralegal for Alan Kay, P.A.

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF WICKSTAND, INC.,

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORI The undersigned incorporator hereby forms a corporation under Chapter 607 of the laws of the State of Florida.

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this Corporation shall be: WICKSTAND, INC.

#### **ARTICLE II - DURATION**

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

## <u>ARTICLE III - PURPOSE/NATURE</u>

This Corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting any or all lawful business permitted under the laws of the State of Florida or any other state, country, territory or nation.

#### ARTICLE IV - CAPITAL STOCK

This Corporation is authorized to issue a maximum of 1000 shares of \$1.00 par value common stock at any one time, to be referred to as "Class A Voting Stock", even though there is only one class of stock at this time.

#### ARTICLE V - PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

The Corporation elects to have pre-emptive rights.

#### ARTICLE VI - PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office of the Corporation is in an unincorporated part of Pinellas County, Florida, at and with the mailing address being: 5669 - 59th Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33709.

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

The street address of the initial Registered Office of this Corporation is 5669 - 59th Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33709, and the name of the initial Registered Agent of this Corporation at that address is: MARK E. THOMPSON

# ARTICLE VIII - EFFECTIVE DATE OF INCORPORATION

The effective date of the incorporation of this Corporation shall be the date of filing with the Department of State, as indicated by the Division of Corporations on the initial Certificate of Incorporation.

# ARTICLE IX - INTERNAL REVENUE ELECTIONS

It is the intent of the Incorporator that the Corporation will qualify under "Section 1244" of the Internal Revenue Code. The corporation may take the latter actions necessary to obtain and maintain a status as an "S Corporation". This shall become effective upon application to the Internal Revenue Service on Form SS-4 and the application for a Federal Identification Number, at such time as deemed appropriate by the shareholder(s).

# ARTICLE X - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Corporation shall initially have ONE (1) Director constituting the initial Board of Directors. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by the By-Laws, however, there shall never be less than ONE (1) Director nor more than five (5). The name and address of the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is:

Mark E. Thompson

5669 - 596th Street N.

St. Petersburg, Florida 33709

#### ARTICLE XI - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator signing these Articles is:

Mark E. Thompson

5669 - 59th Street N.

St. Petersburg, Florida 33709

#### ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENT

This Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on the  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$ 

MARK E. THOMPSON, Incorporator

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# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION WICKSTAND, INC.

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SELLAHASSEE: FLORIDA

Mark E. Thompson, a Florida resident, having a business office identical with the registered office of the Corporation named above, and having been named as the Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above named Corporation, at the place designated in this foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and who is familiar with and accepts the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for said Corporation under Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 1997.

Mark E. Thompson

5669 - 59th Street North St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Tel: (813) 545-4754