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December 26, 1996

Department of State, Division of Corporations
Post Office Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: Tropical Wood Floors, Inc.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please find enclosed for filing one original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation of Tropical Wood Floors, Inc. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$70.00 as the appropriate filing fee.

Please return the copy, stamped to show the date of filing, to the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Allen E. Langdon
125 First Ave.
Nokomis, FL 34275-4242

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Secretary of State

January 3, 1997

ALLEN E LANGDON
125 FIRST AVE
NOKOMIS, FL 34275-4242

SUBJECT: TROPICAL WOOD FLOORS, INC
Ref. Number: W97000000143

We have received your document for TROPICAL WOOD FLOORS, INC and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The registered agent designated must be an active Florida corporation or limited liability company or a foreign corporation or limited liability company authorized to transact business in Florida. Please correct the document accordingly.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (904) 487-6904.

Freida Chesser
Corporate Specialist

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
Tropical Wood Floors, Inc.**

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ARTICLE 1. - NAME

The name of the Corporation is Tropical Wood Floors, Inc.

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ARTICLE 2. - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation shall initially be at 4704 Mineola Street, Bradenton, FL 34207. The Corporation may change its principal office from time to time as permitted by law.

ARTICLE 3. - MAILING ADDRESS

The initial mailing address of the Corporation shall be 4704 Mineola Street, Bradenton, Florida 34207. The Corporation may change its mailing address from time to time as permitted by law.

ARTICLE 4. - PURPOSE

This Corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting any and all lawful business.

ARTICLE 5. - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Corporation shall be effective as of January 1, 1997

ARTICLE 6. - POWERS

This Corporation shall have all of the powers enumerated in the Florida General Corporation Act.

ARTICLE 7. - SHARES [CAPITAL STOCK]

This Corporation is authorized to issue 1,000,000 Shares of Voting Common Stock with a Par Value of \$1.00 per Share.

ARTICLE 8. - PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS

The Corporation elects to have preemptive rights.

The holders of the common stock of the Corporation shall have the preemptive right to purchase, upon such price, terms and conditions as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, such of the shares of the common stock of the Corporation as may be issued from time to time over and above the issue of the first shares of the common stock of the Corporation which have never previously been sold or issued. Such preemptive right shall apply to such shares whether such additional shares constitute a part of the shares presently or subsequently authorized or constitute shares held in the treasury of the Corporation and shall be exercised in the respective ratio with the number of shares held by each stockholder at the time of such issue bears to the total number of shares outstanding in the names of all stockholders at such time.

ARTICLE 9. - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this Corporation is 125 First Ave., Nokomis, Florida 34275-4242, and in the name of the initial registered agent of this Corporation at that address is Langdon Accounting & Tax Service, Attention: Allen E. Langdon.

ARTICLE 10. - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Corporation shall have Two (2) Directors initially. The number of Directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the Bylaws, but shall never be less than one. The name and address of the initial Directors of this Corporation are:

James R. Knight
Joseph H. St. John
4704 Mineola Street
Bradenton, FL 34207

ARTICLE 11. - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

James R. Knight
4704 Mineola Street
Bradenton, Florida 34207

ARTICLE 12. - CUMULATIVE VOTING

All Shareholders are entitled to a cumulate their votes for Directors.

At each election for Directors, every Shareholder entitled to vote in the election shall have the right to cumulate his votes by giving one candidate as many votes as the number of Directors to be elected at that time multiplied by the number of his shares, or by distributing the votes on the same principal among any number of candidates.


ARTICLE 13. - INDEMNIFICATION

All Officers and Directors shall be indemnified by the Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by law against all expenses and liabilities, including attorney's fees reasonable incurred in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding or settlement thereof in which they may become involved as a party or otherwise by reason of holding such office. The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of all Officers and Directors against any liability asserted against them or incurred by them in their capacity as Officers and Directors or arising out of their status as such.

ARTICLE 14. - AMENDMENT

This Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in the Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment to them, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

The undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation of this 26th day of December, 1996.


James R. Knight

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF SARASOTA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 16th day of December, 1996, by Allen E. Langdon, described as the Incorporator, who is personally known to me or who has produced a Driver's License as identification, and who did take an oath.

My Commission Expires: 04/28/2000



Notary Public

Printed Name: Allen E. Langdon

Commission No: CC 551162



"OFFICIAL SEAL"
Allen E. Langdon
My Commission Expires 4/28/2000
Commission #CC 551162

ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT
AS REGISTERED AGENT FOR
Tropical Wood Floors, Inc.

Having been named to accept Service of Process for the above stated Corporation, at the place designated in the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation, the undersigned hereby acknowledges and accepts the appointment and agrees to act in this capacity, and it further agrees to comply with the provisions of all Statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of its duties.

DATED this 26th day of December, 1996

Langdon Accounting & Tax Service

By:



Allen E. Langdon

Its Owner

Registered Agent

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