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RE: NOAH'S ARK, Inc.
Child Care, Inc.

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SUBTOTALS

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



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Sandra B. Mortham
Secretary of State

April 14, 1997

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

We have received your document for NOAH'S ARK, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of an existing entity. Simply adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of an entity name **DOES NOT** constitute a difference. Please select a new name and make the substitution in all appropriate places. One or more words may be added to make the name distinguishable from the one presently on file.

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF**

NOAH'S ARK CHILD CARE, INC.

The undersigned incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation, hereby forms a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida as follows:

ARTICLE I

NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of this corporation is **NOAH'S ARK CHILD CARE, INC.**

ARTICLE II

TERM OF EXISTENCE

The date when corporate existence shall commence shall be the date of filing of these Articles of Incorporation by the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida and the corporation shall have perpetual existence thereafter.

ARTICLE III

GENERAL NATURE OF BUSINESS

This corporation is organized for the following purposes:

- A. To engage in the business of child day care; and
- B. To engage in any and all other lawful business.

ARTICLE IV

POWERS

The corporation shall have power to:

- A. To have perpetual succession by its corporate name.
- B. To sue and be sued, complain and defend in its corporate name in all actions and proceedings.
- C. To have a corporate seal, which may be altered at pleasure, and to use the same by causing it, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed, affixed, or in any other manner reproduced.
- D. To purchase, take, receive, lease, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, and otherwise deal in and with real or personal property or any interest therein, wherever situated.
- E. To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, create a security interest in, lease, exchange, transfer, and otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.
- F. To lend money to and use its credit to assist its officers and employees to the full extent permitted by law.
- G. To purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, lend, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, and otherwise use and deal in and with, shares or other interests in, or obligations of, other domestic or foreign corporations, associations, partnerships or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States or of any other government, state, territory, governmental district, or municipality or of any instrumentality thereof.

H. To make contracts and guarantees and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as the corporation may determine, issue its notes, bonds, and other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage or pledge of all or any of its property, franchises, and income.

I. To lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned or invested.

J. To conduct its business, carry on its operations, and have offices and exercise the powers granted by the Florida General Corporation Act within or without the State of Florida.

K. To elect or appoint officers and agents of the corporation and define their duties and fix their compensation.

L. To make and alter bylaws, not inconsistent with these Articles of Incorporation and the laws of this state, for the administration and regulation of the affairs of the corporation.

M. To make donations for the public welfare or for charitable, scientific, or educational purposes.

N. To transact any lawful business which the board of directors shall find will be an aid of governmental policy.

O. To pay pensions and establish pension plans, and other incentive plans for any or all of its directors, officers, and employees and for any or all of the directors, officers, and

employees of its subsidiaries.

P. To be a promoter, incorporator, partner, member, associate, or manager of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise.

Q. To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect its purposes.

ARTICLE V

CAPITAL STOCK

This corporation is authorized to issue ONE HUNDRED (100) shares of \$1.00 par value common stock, which shall be designated Common Shares. The corporation is authorized to issue only one class of stock, and all issued stock shall be held of record by not more than twenty-five (25) persons. Stock shall be issued and transferable only to natural persons who are not nonresident aliens.

ARTICLE VI

INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT/PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation in the State of Florida will be 468 West Call Street, Starke, Florida 32091, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is Connie L. Barnes. The street address and mailing address of the Principal Office is 468 West Call Street, Starke, Florida 32091.

ARTICLE VII

DIRECTORS

The corporation shall have two directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in the manner provided for in the bylaws of the corporation, provided that the corporation shall always have at least one director. The method of election of directors shall be set forth in the bylaws of the corporation. The name and street address of the initial directors of this corporation, who shall serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Connie L. Barnes	468 W. Call Street Starke, FL 32091
David A. Barnes	468 W. Call Street Starke, FL 32091

ARTICLE VIII

INCORPORATOR

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Address</u>
Connie L. Barnes	468 W. Call Street Starke, FL 32091

ARTICLE IX

INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify to the full extent permitted by law any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, incorporator, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, against expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in connection with such action, suit or proceeding. Such right of indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such director or officer may be entitled, under the bylaw, agreement, vote of shareholders or otherwise.

ARTICLE X

PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS

Each shareholder of this corporation shall have the first right to purchase shares (and securities convertible into shares) of any class, kind or series of stock in this corporation that may from time to time be issued (whether or not presently authorized), including shares from the treasury of this corporation, in the ratio that the number of shares he holds at the time of the issue bears to the total number of shares then outstanding, exclusive of

treasury shares. This right shall be deemed waived by any shareholder who does not exercise it and pay for the shares preempted within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice in writing from the corporation stating the prices, terms and conditions of the issue of shares and inviting him to exercise his preemptive rights. This right may also be waived by affirmative written waiver submitted by the shareholder to the corporation within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice from the corporation.

ARTICLE XI

REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

The shareholders of this corporation shall be entitled to remove any director from office at any time for any reason whatsoever, whether or not there is cause for removal.

ARTICLES XII

AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand and seal,
acknowledged and filed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation
under the laws of the State of Florida, this 21 day of March, 1997.

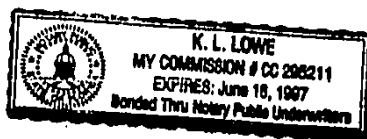
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CONNIE L. BARNES
Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA)
)SS:
COUNTY OF BRADFORD)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, personally
appeared CONNIE L. BARNES, Incorporator, personally known to me or
has presented valid identification, and who executed the foregoing
Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged before me that she
subscribed to those Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand and seal in the County and State aforesaid
this 21 day of March, 1997.



K. L. Lowe
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named Registered Agent and designated to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated herein, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

Connie L. Barnes

CONNIE L. BARNES

DATED: March 21, 1997

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