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> > RE: Name Reservation

Dear Sir or Madam:

I would like to reserve the name FGBI Acquisition Corp. with your office for a period of 120 days.

I have included a check in the amount of \$35.00 for the required fee.

Please return the acknowledgment of this request to my attention using the self-addressed stamped envelope provided.

Sincerely,

KIMBERLEY S. SMITH

Legal Assistant

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STATE OF FLORIDA

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

FGBI ACQUISITION CORP.

FIRST: The corporate name that satisfies the requirements of Section 607.0401 is: FGBI ACQUISITION CORP., (the "Corporation").

SECOND: The street address of the initial principal office and, if different, the mailing address of the Corporation is: Keating, Muething & Klekamp, 1 East Fourth Stret, Provident Tower, 18th Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

THIRD: The number of shares the Corporation is authorized to issue is: One Thousand (1,000) shares of Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share.

FOURTH: The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is c/o CT Corporation System, 1200 South Pine Island Road, City of Plantation, Florida 33324, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is CT Corporation System.

FIFTH: The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is two (2), and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors are elected and shall qualify are:

Mark E. Magee, Esq. Provident Bancorp, Inc. One East Fourth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Charles Sulerzyski Provident Bancorp, Inc. One East Fourth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

SIXTH: The name and address of the incorporator is:

Edward E. Steiner, Esq. Keating, Muething & Klekamp 1800 Provident Tower One East Fourth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. The undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 19th day of May, 1997.

EDWARD E. STEINER Incorporator

ACCEPTANCE BY THE REGISTERED AGENT AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 607.0501(3) F.S.: CT CORPORATION SYSTEM IS FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPTS THE OBLIGATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 607.0505.

CT CORPORATION SYSTEM

DATED May 2, 1997.

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Susan J. Metze Assistant Secretary

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