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Re: The Broward Companies, Inc.

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am enclosing the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation to be filed for The Broward Companies, Inc., along with our check in the amount of \$122.50 which represents the filing fee for the Articles of Incorporation.

Please file these Articles of Incorporation and return a conformed copy in the stamped, self-addressed envelope enclosed for your convenience.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Thomas R. Shahady *bsk*
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE BROWARD COMPANIES, INC.

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ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is THE BROWARD COMPANIES, INC.

ARTICLE II

The purpose or purposes for which this corporation is organized is for any purpose permitted under the laws of the United States and under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III

This corporation is authorized to issue a maximum of One Thousand (1,000) shares of stock. The shares of stock authorized shall be common stock having a par value of One (\$1.00) Dollar per share. The consideration to be paid for each share of stock shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV

This corporation shall have a perpetual existence unless sooner dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE V

The initial street address of the principal office of this corporation shall be: 100 N.E. 3rd Avenue, Suite 850, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33301, and the Board of Directors may, from time to time, move the principal office to any other address in Florida.

ARTICLE VI

The number of Directors may be altered, from time to time, by By-Laws adopted by the Shareholders, however, the corporation shall have no less than one (1) Director at any time.

ARTICLE VII

The name and post office address of the first Board of Directors and officers of this corporation, who shall hold office for the first year or until their successors are chosen, shall be:

George Massey

100 N.E. 3rd Avenue, Suite 850
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

ARTICLE VIII

The name and address of the Subscriber of these Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

Thomas R. Shahady

100 N.E. 3rd Avenue, Suite 850
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

ARTICLE IX

The corporation's initial Registered Agent and Registered Office in the State of Florida shall be:

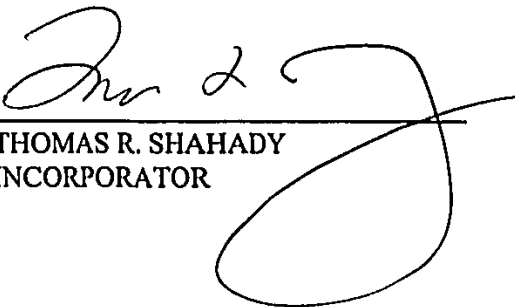
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ARTICLE X

The corporation's existence will commence upon the filing of the Articles of Incorporation.

THE UNDERSIGNED Incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation to do business within the State of Florida, does make and file these Articles of Incorporation, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true.


THOMAS R. SHAHADY
INCORPORATOR

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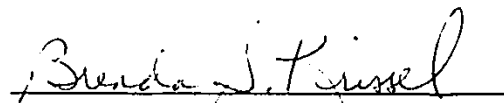
STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF BROWARD

SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared THOMAS R. SHAHADY, to me known to be the person described in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and she acknowledged before me that she executed said Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Fort Lauderdale, County of Broward, State of Florida, this 1st day of July, 1997.

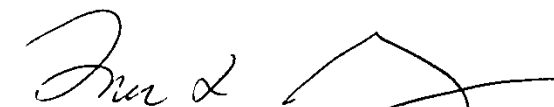

Notary Public - State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:



ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

I, THOMAS R. SHAHADY, do hereby accept designation of Registered Agent for THE BROWARD COMPANIES, INC.


THOMAS R. SHAHADY
Registered Agent