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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

SOUTHERN STATE MORTGAGE, INC.

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida under the corporation name of **SOUTHERN STATE MORTGAGE**, **INC.**, does hereby set forth and declare:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be SOUTHERN STATE MORTGAGE, INC.

ARTICLE II

The corporation may engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III

The authorized capital stock which the corporation may issued shall be **ONE THOUSAND** (1000) shares of \$1.00 per value common stock, which shall be nonassessable and held, sold, and paid for at such time and in such manner as the Board of Directors may from to time determine.

ARTICLE IV

The corporation shall commence business on filing with the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE V

The corporation shall have perpetual existence, except that the same may be dissolved, as provided by law.

ARTICLE VI

The principal place for the transaction of its business shall be at 1110 Pine Island Road, Suite 9, Cape Coral, County of Lee, State of Florida 33909. That said corporation shall have the right and authority to do business at such other place or places within or without the State of Florida as the corporation may, by resolution, designate.

ARTICLE VII

The name and address of the initial registered agent is:

Jeffrey R. Lemcke 1110 Pine Island Road, Suite 9 Cape Coral, FL 33909

ARTICLE VI

The name and street address of the incorporators to these Articles of Incorporation are:

<u>Name</u>

Address

Jeffrey R. Lemcke

1110 Pine Island Road, Suite 9 Cape Coral, FL 33909

The undersigned incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 14 day of August, 1997.

Jeffrey R. Lemcke (Incorporator) CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In pursuance to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

SOUTHERN STATE MORTGAGE, INC., with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at 1110 Pine Island Road, Suite 9, Cape Coral, County of Lee, State of Florida 33909, has named JEFFREY R. LEMCKE, located at 1110 Pine Island Road, Suite 9, Cape Coral, County of Lee, State of Florida, 33909, as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: (MUST BE SIGNED BY DESIGNATED AGENT)

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

JEFFREY R. LEMCKE

Registered Agent