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August 13, 1997

Secretary of State
Department of Corporations
Post Office Box: 6327
Tallahassee FL 32314

Re: EXPRESS FINANCE CO., INC.

Articles of Incorporation

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Dear Sir and Madam:

Enclosed you will find the following with regard to the above referenced corporation:

- 1. The original Articles of Incorporation for filing with the Department of State.
- 2. Copy of Articles for certification.
- 3. Check in the amount of \$122.50, made payable to the Florida Department of State.

Sincerely,

Toni Ricard,

Legal Assistant

TR enclosures as noted

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EFFECTIVE DATE

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Sandra B. Mortham Secretary of State

August 19, 1997

SANDRA K. HAAS, ESQ. P. O. BOX 520 BRANFORD, FL 32008

SUBJECT: EXPRESS FINANCE CO., INC.

Ref. Number: W97000019088

We have received your document for EXPRESS FINANCE CO., INC. and check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned to you for the following reason(s):

The effective date is not acceptable since it is not within five working days of the date of receipt.

Please return the original and one copy of 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 (850) 487-6925.

Brenda Baker Corporate Specialist

Letter Number: 997A00041839

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF EXPRESS FINANCE CO., INC.

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In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 607, Florida Statutes, the undersigned, FLORIDA being natural persons, do hereby act as an incorporators in adopting and filing the following Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of organizing a business corporation under the Florida Business Corporation Act.

ARTICLE I

8-13-90

The name of the corporation ("corporation") is:

EXPRESS FINANCE CO., INC..

ARTICLE II

The address of the principal office of the corporation is 1400 US Hwy. 90 E., Live Oak, Florida 32060, and its mailing address is Post Office 481, Live Oak, Florida 32064.

ARTICLE III

The maximum number of shares this corporation is authorized to issue is ten thousand (10,000) all of which shall be common shares. All common shares shall be identical with each other in every respect and the holders thereof shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each share upon all matters on which shareholders have the right to vote. The Board of Directors may authorize issuance of all of the corporation's shares without certificates.

ARTICLE IV

The initial street address of the corporation's registered office is 1400 US Hwy. 90 E., Live Oak, Florida 32060. The initial registered agent for the corporation at that address is BILL GREEN.

ARTICLE V

The name and street address of the persons signing these Articles of Incorporation are:

BILL GREEN

ADDRESS: 1400 US Hwy. 90 E., Live Oak., Live Oak, 32060

ARTICLE VI

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of one (1) members. The name and address of the person who will serve on the initial Board of Directors President/Secretary/Treasurer: BILL GREEN.

ARTICLE VII

This corporation may engage or transact in any or all lawful activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States, the State of Florida, or any other state, country, territory, or nation.

ARTICLE VIII

The existence of the corporation shall begin on August 13,1997. This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE IX

The corporation shall indemnify its directors, officers, employees and agents to the fullest extent permitted by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation on this 13th day of 1997.

BUL GREEN, 4 reorporator

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501 OR 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA,

- 1. The name of the corporation is: EXPRESS FINANCE CO., INC.
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

BILL GREEN (Name)

1400 US Hwy. 90 E., Live Oak, FL 32060 (Address)

Having been named as registered agent and designated as the person to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I arm familiar with and accept the obligation of my position as registered agent.