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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS TRACKING NO. 4112983932

Secretary of State
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: L & D. Old World Warehouse, Inc.
Our File No. 16716-NC

Dear Sir/Madam:

In reference to the above captioned matter, enclosed please find the Articles of Incorporation for filing. Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$122.50 for same.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD D. AHLQUIST
& ASSOCIATES, P.A.

Richard D. Ahlquist

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF**

L & D. Old World Warehouse, Inc.

The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, natural persons competent to contract, hereby form a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is L & D. Old World Warehouse, Inc.

ARTICLE II

- A. This corporation may engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and the State of Florida.
- B. The general nature of this business to be transacted by this corporation is: The sale of wholesale and retail merchandise.

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ARTICLE III

The aggregate number of shares of stock which the corporation shall have the authority to issue is Five Hundred (500) shares of Common Stock with a par value of One Dollar (\$1.00) per share.

The corporation shall issue only one class of capital stock. That class shall be Common Stock, and it shall be issued in such a manner as to qualify for treatment under United States Internal Revenue Code Sections 1244 and 1371. Existing Stockholders shall have a proportional preemptive right in all issues of stock subsequent to their becoming stockholders.

ARTICLE IV

The initial street address of the corporation's principal office and mailing address is 8427 Cooper Creek Boulevard,

University Park, Florida 34201, and the name of the corporation's initial Registered Agent is: Richard D. Ahlquist.

ARTICLE V

The corporation shall have two (2) Directors initially whose name and address is set forth below:

Lee Fleming
8427 Cooper Creek Boulevard
University Park, FL 34201

David G. Bieker
8427 Cooper Creek Boulevard
University Park, FL 34201

THEREAFTER, the number of the members of the Board of Directors shall be set by By-Laws, but, in no instance, shall be less than one (1) or more than three (3).

ARTICLE VI

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE VII

No contract or other transaction between this corporation and any other corporation, and no other contract or transaction of this corporation, shall in any way be affected or invalidated by the fact that any of the Directors of this corporation are pecuniarily or otherwise interested in any other corporation, or are Directors of officers of any other corporation. Any Director individually, or any firm of which any Director may be a member, may be a party to or may be pecuniarily or otherwise interested in, any contract or transaction of this corporation, provided that the fact that he or such firm is so interested shall be disclosed or shall have been known to the Board of Directors. Any Director of this corporation who is also a Director or officer of such other corporation or member of such firm, or who is so interested may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors of this corporation which shall authorize any such

contract or transaction, with like force and effect as if he were not such officer or Director of such other corporation which shall authorize any such contract or transaction, with like force and effect as if he were not such officer or Director of such other corporation or member of such firm, or not so interested.

ARTICLE VIII

- A. The power to adopt the By-Laws of this corporation, to alter, amend or repeal the By-Laws, or to adopt new By-Laws, shall be vested in the Board of Directors of this corporation; provided, however, that any By-Law or Amendment hereto as adopted by the Board of Directors may be altered, amended or repealed by vote of the stockholders entitled to vote thereon, or a new By-Law in lieu thereof may be adopted by vote of the stockholders. No By-Law which has been altered, amended or repealed by vote of the Board of Directors or Shareholders shall be effective until two (2) years shall have expired since such action by vote of such Stockholders or Board of Directors unless approved jointly by the Board of Directors and Shareholders.
- B. The By-Laws of this corporation shall be for the government of the corporation and may contain any provisions or requirements for the management or conduct of the affair and business of the corporation, provided that

same are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, or contrary to the laws of this state or of the United States.

ARTICLE IX

The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by Statute, and all rights conferred upon the stockholders herein are subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have made and subscribed these Articles of Incorporation, Sarasota, Florida, on this 23rd day of October, 1997.

Existing shareholders shall have a proportional preempted right to purchase as to all issues of stock authorized subsequent to their becoming shareholders.

Candice Lee Carmichael

Frank James Smith

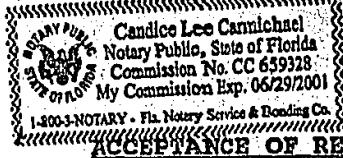
STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF SARASOTA)

RICHARD D. AHLQUIST, ESQ.
Incorporator and Subscriber
2088 Hawthorne St.
Sarasota, FL 34239

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared RICHARD D. AHLQUIST, well known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument in writing and they acknowledged before me that he executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Sarasota, in the County

and State aforesaid, this 23rd day of October, 1997.



Candice Lee Carmichael
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires:

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATION

The undersigned individual having been named as Registered Agent for the above-stated corporation in Article IV, at the place designated in said Article, hereby accepts to act in the capacity of Registered Agent, and agrees to comply with the pertinent provisions of the Florida Statutes pertaining to Registered Agents and Officers.

[Signature]
RICHARD D. AHLQUIST
Registered Agent
2088 Hawthorne St.
Sarasota, FL 34239

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF SARASOTA)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared RICHARD D. AHLQUIST, well known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument in writing and he acknowledged before me that he executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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