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Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Equity Mortgage Funding and Investment Corp.  
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00  
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee  
& Certificate

☐ \$122.50  
Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☒ \$131.25  
Filing Fee,  
Certified Copy  
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Douglas C. Grimes  
Name (Printed or typed)

2955 Hartley Road, Suite 106A  
Address

Jacksonville, Florida, 32257  
City, State & Zip

W)(904) 725-2922 Pager (904) 920-0194  
Daytime Telephone number

Home address: P.O. Box 1473  
Glen St. Mary, FL 32040

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

EQUITY MORTGAGE FUNDING AND INVESTMENT CORP.

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The undersigned do hereby associate for the purpose of becoming a corporation for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, and do hereby certify that the following Articles of Incorporation have been adopted:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is EQUITY MORTGAGE FUNDING AND INVESTMENT CORP.

ARTICLE II

This corporation shall have perpetual existence and its existence shall commence on the date which these articles are filed.

ARTICLE III

This corporation is organized to engage in any and all lawful purposes activity or business which corporations may be permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida; including but not in any way limiting its power, to buy, hold, own, work, develop, improve, divide, sub-divide, manufacture, process, sell, convey, lease, mortgage, pledge, exchange and otherwise deal in and dispose of, on its own account or on commission, property of all kinds, real, personal and mixed, including stocks, bond, and securities issued or created by any other corporations in any state or county, and whether now or hereafter organized, and including rights, easements and incorporeal hereditaments, appurtenant thereto, and including patents, patent rights, and processes, water rights, permits, privileges, franchises, licenses, sewage systems, water power and

water works, plants for the generation, distribution and supply of electricity, gas, steam and other agencies for light and heat and other purposes to which the same might be adapted; to build, construct, maintain and operate any of the properties above mentioned and supply conveniences therefrom; and while the owner of any property, to exercise all the rights, powers and privileges of ownership to the same extent as natural persons might do, including the right to vote the stock of other corporations owned by it; to be a promoter, incorporator, partner member, associate, or manager of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise; to underwrite the sale of stock, bonds and securities issued by other corporations; to borrow money and secure the same and monies otherwise owing by mortgages, debentures, bonds, deeds, notes or other obligations therefore; to lend money, to employ its surplus and earned surplus in the purchase of or acquisition of its shares or obligations, from time to time as its Directors may determine, and to hold the same in its Treasury to be thereafter sold, issued, or disposed of when and in such manner as the Board of Directors of the corporation may deem expedient; to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind for any lawful purpose, without limit as to amount, with any person, firm, association or corporation, town, city, county, parish, state, territory or government; to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts bills of exchange, warrants, debentures and other negotiable or transferrable instruments; to carry on any or all of its operations and businesses and to promote its objects within the State of Florida or elsewhere without restriction as to any of the powers herein set forth, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world, as principals, agents, contractors, or otherwise, alone or in

company with others, to do and perform all such other things and acts as may be necessary, profitable or expedient in carrying on any of the businesses or acts above named, and to have all the general powers as set out in Florida Statutes, Section 607.0302. The intention is that none of the objects and powers herein above specified and clauses contained in this Article, except where otherwise specified in this Article, in no way shall be limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other objects, powers or clauses of this Article or any other Article herein, but that the objects are regarded as independent objects and powers.

#### ARTICLE IV

The maximum number of shares of common stock that this corporation is authorized to issue and to have outstanding at any time is 5,000 shares, having a par value of One Dollar (\$1.00) per share. All common stock shall be fully paid and nonassessable.

#### ARTICLE V

Every shareholder, upon the sale for cash of any new shares of stock of this corporation of the same kind, class or series as that which he already holds, shall have the right to purchase her prorata shares thereof (as nearly as may be done without issuance of fractional shares), at the price at which is offered to others.

#### ARTICLE VI

(a) The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is  
2955 HARTLEY ROAD, SUITE 106A  
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32257 and the name of the initial  
resident agent of this corporation at that address is Douglas C. Grimes.

(b) The principal office address and mailing address of this corporation is  
2955 HARTLEY ROAD, SUITE 106A JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32257,

#### ARTICLE VII

This corporation shall have one (1) director initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by majority vote of the shareholders, but shall never be less than one (1). The name and address of the first Board of Directors who, subject to the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, by the By-laws of this corporation and the laws of the State of Florida, shall hold office until the first meeting of shareholders and until their successors have been elected and qualified, or until their earlier resignation, removal from office or death, is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Douglas C. Grimes	2955 HARTLEY ROAD, SUITE 106A JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32257

#### ARTICLE VIII

The name and street address of each incorporator and a statement of the number of shares of stock which he agrees to subscribe, along with the value which he agrees to pay thereof is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Value</u>
Douglas C. Grimes	2955 HARTLEY ROAD, SUITE 106A JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32257	5,000	\$5,000.00

The proceeds of the shares of stock subscribed for will be at least as much as the amount of the par value thereof.

#### ARTICLE IX

The officers of this corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers, agents and factors shall be chosen in such manner, hold their offices for such terms and have such powers and duties as may be prescribed by the by-laws or determined by the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person.

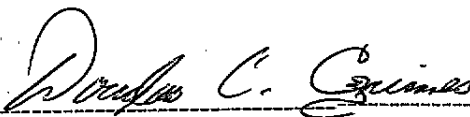
#### ARTICLE X

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal by-laws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE XI

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter provided by law, and all rights conferred on shareholders herein are granted, subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has hereunto set his hand and seal this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November 1997, Incorporation for the purpose of forming this corporation under the laws of the State of Florida; and he hereby makes and files, in the office of the Secretary of State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation, and certifies that the facts herein stated are true.

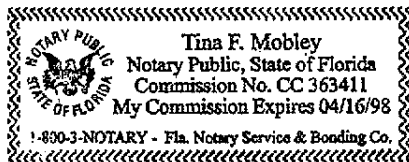
  
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DOUGLAS C. GRIMES

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF DUVAL

BEFORE ME, personally appeared Douglas C. Grimes to me well known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes herein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 6 day of November, 1997.



Tina F. Mobley  
Notary Public, State of Florida  
Tina F. Mobley  
My Commission Expires- 4/16/98

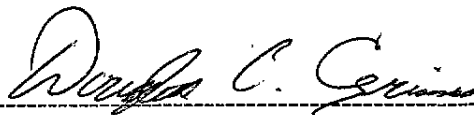
CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR SERVICE  
OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM SERVICE OF  
PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

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Pursuant to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, EQUITY MORTGAGE FUNDING AND  
INVESTMENT CORP. desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its registered  
office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at the City of Jacksonville, County of  
DUVAL, State of Florida, has named Douglas C. Grimes 2955 HARTLEY ROAD, SUITE 106A  
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32257, as its resident agent to accept service of process  
within this state.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The undersigned 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 provisions of said Act relative to keeping my office  
open.



DOUGLAS C. GRIMES

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