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Secretary of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

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Re: Lowe Furniture, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are the following in connection with the above-referenced corporation:

- 1. Original executed Articles of Incorporation; and
- 2. Our check in the amount of \$122.50.

Please return the Certificate and a copy of the Articles to this office after filing.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Richard M. "Rick" Knellinger

RMK:sj

Enclosures 2

cc: James C. and Donna K. Lowe

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

gN 12-9-97

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

LOWE FURNITURE, INC.

The undersigned, for the purposes of forming a corporation under the Florida General Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the Corporation is LOWE FURNITURE, INC.

ARTICLE II

The duration of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE III

The general purposes for which the corporation is organized is to transact any lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the Florida General Corporation Act.

ARTICLE IV

The aggregate number of shares which the corporation is authorized to issue is seven thousand five hundred (7,500). Such shares shall be of a single class, and shall have a par value of one dollar (\$1.00) per share.

ARTICLE V

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is: 2400 N. Main Street, Gainesville, Florida 32601 and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is: James C. Lowe, Sr.

ARTICLE VI

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the corporation is two (2).

The name and address of the persons who are to serve as members of the initial board of directors are: James C. Lowe, Sr. and Donna K. Lowe, 7218 N.W. 14th Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32605.

ARTICLE VII

The names and address of the incorporators is:

James C. Lowe, Sr. and Donna K. Lowe 7218 N.W. 14th Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32605

The address of the principal place of business is:

2400 N. Main Street Gainesville, Florida 32601

Executed by the undersigned at Gainesville, Florida this $\underline{\psi}^{\alpha}$ day of December,

1997.

JAMES C. LOWE, SR

DONNA K. LOWE

ACCEPTANCE AS REGISTERED AGENT

I, JAMES C. LOWE, SR., the undersigned, do hereby accept designation as Registered Agent for the above-named corporation.

ÁMÉS C. LOWE, SR.