

PA8000027778



THE UNITED STATES  
CORPORATION  
COMPANY

ACCOUNT NO. : 072100000032

REFERENCE : 754375 10820A

AUTHORIZATION :

COST LIMIT : \$ PPD

FILED  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS  
98 MAR 25 PM 2:14

ORDER DATE : March 25, 1998

ORDER TIME : 10:25 AM

ORDER NO. : 754375-005

CUSTOMER NO: 10820A

CUSTOMER: Nancy Barnes, Office Manager  
CAREY O'MALLEY WHITAKER &  
LINS, P.A.  
Ashley Tower, Suite 1190  
100 South Ashley Drive  
Tampa, FL 33602

800002467928--5  
-03/25/98--01041--022  
\*\*\*\*122.50 \*\*\*\*122.50

DOMESTIC FILING

NAME: INDEPENDENCE VENTURE, INC.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

XX ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
       CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

PLEASE RETURN THE FOLLOWING AS PROOF OF FILING:

XX CERTIFIED COPY  
       PLAIN STAMPED COPY  
       CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

CONTACT PERSON: Christopher Smith

EXAMINER'S INITIALS:

RECEIVE  
98 MAR 25 AM 11:28  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

3/25/98

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
INDEPENDENCE VENTURE, INC.**

FILED  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS  
98 MAR 25 PM 2:14

The undersigned hereby organizes a corporation for profit under the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act, and pursuant to the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE 1

Name

The name of this corporation is: Independence Venture, Inc.

ARTICLE 2

Mailing Address

The mailing address of this corporation is Post Office Box 320342, Tampa, Florida 33679.

ARTICLE 3

Shares

This corporation is authorized to issue Seven Thousand Five Hundred (7,500) shares of One Dollar (\$1.00) par value common stock.

ARTICLE 4

Initial Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 712 South Oregon Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33606, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Andrew M. O'Malley.

ARTICLE 5

Incorporator

The name and address of the person signing these Articles is:

Hamilton E. Hunt, Jr.  
Post Office Box 320342  
Tampa, Florida 33679

ARTICLE 6

Initial Board of Directors

This corporation shall have two (2) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the Bylaws, but shall never be less than one (1). The names and addresses of the initial directors of this corporation are:

Hamilton E. Hunt, Jr.  
Suite 125  
4427 West Kennedy Boulevard  
Tampa, Florida 33609

Bradford G. Douglas  
Suite 125  
4427 West Kennedy Boulevard  
Tampa, Florida 33609

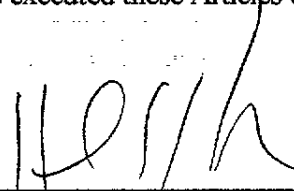
The method of election of directors will be as stated in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE 7

Indemnification

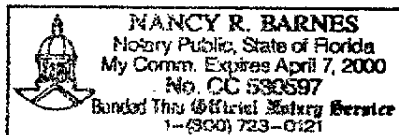
The corporation may enter into indemnification agreements and adopt Bylaw provisions for indemnification of any officer or director, or any former officer or director, or may provide, at the corporation's election, for indemnification of any officer or director, or any former officer or director, without agreement or Bylaw provisions to the full extent permitted by law. The corporation shall not be subject to court-ordered indemnification pursuant to Section 607.0850(9), Florida Statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1998.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Hamilton E. Hunt, Jr.

**STATE OF FLORIDA**  
**COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH**

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1998 by Hamilton E. Hunt, Jr.



Nancy R. Barnes  
Type, Print or Stamp Name of Notary  
Personally Known \_\_\_\_\_  
Produced Identification \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_

**Acceptance of Registered Agent**

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment of 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 am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Andrew M. O'Malley

FILED  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS  
98 MAR 25 PM 2:14