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Re: VICTOR TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is the original and a duplicate copy of the Articles of Incorporation of this proposed corporation.

Please endorse your approval of the Articles of Incorporation on the duplicate copy, certify same and return to us.

Also enclosed is a certificate designating place of business or domicile for service of process within this state, naming agent upon whom process may be served. A telephone check with your office indicated that the above corporate name is not in use at this time.

A check is also enclosed in the amount of \$122.50 to cover the \$35.00 filing fee, \$52.50 fee for a certified copy of the Certificate of Incorporation and \$35.00 for designation of registered agent.

If you have any questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Very truly yours

JOHN D. ROBINSON

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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VICTOR TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

I, the undersigned, the subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, being a person of legal age, do hereby desire to form a corporation under the laws of the state of Florida and do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is VICTOR TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

ARTICLE II

The duration of this corporation shall be perpetual. The date and time of the commencement of the corporate existence shall begin at the time of the filing of the Articles of Incorporation with The Department of State.

ARTICLE III

The purpose of this corporation shall be any and all lawful business purposes as set forth by Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE IV

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to issue shall be 100 shares of common stock. Each share shall have the par value of \$1.00 per share and shall consist of one class only.

ARTICLE V

The street and mailing address of the initial principal office of this corporation is 246 Afton Square, #102, Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714.

## ARTICLE VI

The initial registered agent of this corporation shall be TRACI L. HILL, 246 Afton Square, #102, Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714. —

## ARTICLE VII

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of this corporation shall be one (1). The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by Bylaws adopted by the stockholders. The name and street address of the director of this corporation who shall hold office for the first year or until her successor is chosen, shall be:

Traci L. Hill                      246 Afton Square, #102  
Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714

## ARTICLE VIII

The name and address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

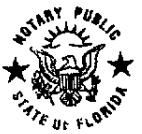
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TRACI L. HILL

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF ORANGE

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared TRACI L. HILL, to me well known to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and she acknowledged before me that she executed the same freely and voluntarily for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State  
last aforesaid this 4 day of December 1997.




Kimberly Denise Moody  
My Commission CC594287  
Expires October 17 2000

Kimberly Denise Moody  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

My Commission Expires:

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

I, TRACI L. HILL, do hereby accept the office of Registered Agent of the Corporation known as VICTOR TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

  
TRACI L. HILL

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF ORANGE

BEFORE ME, the undersigned officer, duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared TRACI L. HILL, known to me to be the person described as the Registered Agent of the corporation known as VICTOR TECHNOLOGIES, INC. and she acknowledged before me that she executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County last aforesaid this 4 day of December 1997.



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