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SUBJECT: UNIVERSAL INVESTMENTS CORPORATION
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We have received your document for UNIVERSAL INVESTMENTS CORPORATION and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of an administratively dissolved/revoked entity. Names of administratively dissolved/revoked entities are not available for one year from the date of administrative dissolution/revocation unless the dissolved/revoked entity provides the Department of State with a notarized affidavit stating that they have no intention of reinstating, therefore, releasing the name for use to another entity.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
UNIVERSAL INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC.

We, the undersigned, hereby execute and deliver these Articles for the purpose of establishing a corporation for profit under the laws of the State of Florida under and pursuant to the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I.

The name of the corporation shall be UNIVERSAL INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC.
The name and mailing address of the corporation shall be 1301 First Street South,
Jacksonville, Florida 32250.

ARTICLE II.

The general nature of the businesses to be transacted by the corporation shall be as follows:

(a) To buy, sell and otherwise dispose of, hold, own, improve, lease, mortgage and otherwise encumber, and to trade and deal in all kinds of real estate and any interests therein;

(b) To buy, sell and otherwise dispose of, hold, own, manufacture, produce, export, import, mortgage, pledge, hypothecate and otherwise encumber, and to trade and deal in all kinds of personal property, either as principal or agent, upon commission or otherwise;

(c) To acquire by subscription, purchase or otherwise, to hold for investment or resale, to mortgage, pledge, hypothecate and to sell or otherwise dispose of, and in all ways to trade and deal in and with, as principal or agent, and upon commission or otherwise, stocks, bonds, notes, debentures, mortgages, certificates of indebtedness, and other obligations and securities of

individuals and of corporations, private or public, domestic or foreign, and of municipal and governmental subdivisions, agencies and authorities, and investment securities and chooses in action generally; with power to issue its own securities in exchange therefor to the extent permitted by the corporation laws of the State of Florida; to collect the interest and dividends on its holdings as well as the principal thereof; to make advances upon or for the benefit of, and to do all things suitable and proper for the protection, conservation or enhancement in value of any securities, chooses in action, properties or investments held by it; and to possess and exercise, with respect thereto, all of the rights, powers and privileges of individual owners or holders thereof, and to exercise any and all voting power thereon;

(d) Without limit as to amount, to borrow money for the purposes of the corporation, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute, issue and transfer promissory notes, debentures, bills of exchange, bonds, warrants and other negotiable or transferable instruments, and to issue, sell and dispose of bonds, notes, debentures or other obligations of the corporation from time to time for any of its objects and purposes, with or without security, and, if so determined, to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, deed of trust or otherwise;

(e) To aid by loan, subsidy, guaranty, or in any other manner, any corporation, firm, syndicate, association or individual to the extent the Board of Directors deems advisable to promote the business, interests and purposes of the corporation, and any corporation whose stocks, bonds, securities or other obligations are in any manner, either directly or indirectly, held or guaranteed by the corporation; to do any and all other acts or things toward the protection, conservation or enhancement in value of any such stocks, bonds, securities or other obligations, and to do all and any acts or things designed to accomplish any such purpose;

(f) To employ its surplus earnings or accumulated profits from time to time as its Directors may determine, to purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold or otherwise utilize, and to reissue, sell, or otherwise dispose of or turn to account, as its Directors may from time to time determine, the stocks, bonds, debentures or other securities of the corporation, to the extent permitted by law;

(g) To enter into, make, perform and carry out, without limit as to amount, contracts and arrangements pertaining to the business of the corporation, including but not limited to arrangements for the sharing of profits, union of interests, joint ventures, reciprocal concessions or cooperation, with any corporation, association, partnership, syndicate, entity, person, or governmental, municipal or public authority, domestic or foreign, located in or organized under the laws of any authority in any part of the world, and to obtain from any such governmental, municipal or public authority any rights, privileges or concessions which the corporation may think desirable to obtain, and to carry out, exercise and comply with any such rights, privileges and concessions;

(h) To have one or more offices, and to carry on its operations and to transact its business and promote its objects and purposes in any part of the world, either alone or with other individuals, firms, syndicates, partnerships, associations, corporations, authorities or other entities, without restriction as to place or amount, and to do all lawful acts and things necessary, suitable or proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes, or the attainment of any of the objects, or the furtherance of any of the powers herein set forth.

IN GENERAL, and in connection with the foregoing, the corporation shall have and may use, exercise and enjoy all the powers of like corporations conferred by the corporation laws of the State of Florida, it being expressly provided that the enumeration of the objects, powers or

purposes hereinabove specified shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the objects, powers and purposes of the corporation, and that the objects, powers and purposes specified in each of the clauses of this Article shall be regarded as independent and cumulative purposes, powers and objects.

ARTICLE III.

The maximum number of shares of stock that the corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any time shall be ten thousand (10,000) shares of common stock, divided into two classes, 5,000 shares of voting stock (hereinafter called Class "A" Common Stock), par value of One Dollar (\$1.00) per share, and 5,000 shares of non-voting stock (hereinafter called Class "B" Common Stock), par value \$1.00 per share. All stock issued shall be fully paid and nonassessable. The two classes of stock shall be identical except that the Class "B" Common Stock shall have no voting rights whatsoever. The stockholders shall have no preemptive rights with respect to the capital stock or securities of the corporation, and the corporation from time to time may issue and sell shares of its capital stock of any class, may issue and grant rights and options to purchase shares of such capital stock and may issue and sell its bonds, notes, debentures and other securities convertible into stock of the corporation without offering such shares, rights or options to purchase shares, bonds, notes, debentures or other securities (whether now or hereafter authorized) to the stockholders then holding shares of its capital stock.

ARTICLE IV.

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE V.

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation in Florida shall

be 225 Water Street, Suite 900, Jacksonville, Florida 32202, and its initial registered agent at that address shall be John R. Crawford. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, change the registered office and registered agent of the corporation upon notification to the proper authorities.

ARTICLE VI.

The number of the directors of this corporation shall be not less than one (1) nor more than seven (7) as fixed from time to time by the provisions of the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII.

The name and street address of the initial members of the first Board of Directors, who, subject to the provisions of the By-Laws and these Articles of Incorporation, shall hold office for the first year of the corporation's existence or until their successor(s) are elected and have qualified, are as follows:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Street Address</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Richard J. Wolfson | 1301 First Street South Suite 1101 Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 |
| Sanford M. Stevenson | 14629 Big Timber Lane Chesterfield, Missouri 63017 |

ARTICLE VIII.

The names and street addresses of the subscribers of these Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Street Address</u> |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| John R. Crawford | 225 Water Street, Suite 900 Jacksonville, Florida 32202 |

Sharon L. Palmer

225 Water Street, Suite 900
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

ARTICLE IX.

In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the following specific provisions are made for the regulation of the business and the conduct of the affairs of the corporation:

(1) Subject to such restrictions, if any, as are herein expressed and such further restrictions, if any, as may be set forth in the By-Laws, the Board of Directors shall have the general management and control of the business and may exercise all of the powers of the corporation except such as may be by statute, or by the By-Laws as constituted from time to time, expressly conferred upon or reserved by the stockholders.

(2) Subject always to such By-Laws as may be adopted from time to time by the stockholders, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized to adopt, alter and amend the By-Laws of the corporation, but any By-Law adopted, altered or amended by the Directors may be altered, amended or repealed by the stockholders.

(3) The corporation shall have such officers as from time to time may be provided in the By-Laws and such officers shall be designated in such manner and shall hold their offices for such terms and shall have such powers and duties as may be prescribed by the By-Laws or as may be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors subject to the By-Laws.

(4) No Director or officer of this corporation shall, in the absence of fraud, be disqualified by his or her office from dealing or contracting with this corporation either as vendor, purchaser or otherwise, nor, in the absence of fraud, shall any contract, transaction or act of this

corporation be void or voidable or affected by reason of the fact that any such director or officer, or any firm of which any such director or officer is a member or any employee, or any corporation of which any such director or officer is an officer, director, stockholder or employee, has any interest in such contract, transaction or act, whether or not adverse to the interest of this corporation, even though the vote of the director or directors or officer or officers having such interest shall have been necessary to obligate this corporation upon such contract, transaction or act; and no director or directors or officer or officers having such interest shall be liable to this corporation or to any stockholder or creditor thereof or to any other person for any loss incurred by it under or by reason of any such contract, transaction or act; nor shall any such director or directors or officer or officers be accountable for any gains or profits realized thereon.

ARTICLE X.

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provisions contained herein in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law, and all rights conferred on stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned subscribing incorporators, have hereunto set our hands and seals for the purpose of forming this corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, and we hereby make, subscribe, acknowledge and file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation and certify that the facts herein stated are true, all on this 13th day of July, 1998.


John R. Crawford

(SEAL)


Sharon L. Palmer

(SEAL)

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Before me personally appeared this day, John R. Crawford and Sharon L. Palmer, the parties to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, who are personally known to me and to me known to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and who acknowledged before me that they made, subscribed and acknowledged the foregoing Articles of Incorporation as their voluntary act and deed and that the facts set forth therein are true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal on this 13th day of July, 1998.



Lynn Conner
Signature of Notary Public
Notary Public, State and County aforesaid
My commission expires: _____

(Notarial Seal)

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for Universal Investment Partners, Inc., a Florida corporation, at the place designated in the Articles of Incorporation of said corporation, I hereby accept such appointment and agree to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of law relating to keeping said office open. I further acknowledge that I am familiar with, and accept, the obligations imposed upon registered agents, including the obligations imposed by section 607.0505, Florida Statutes.

John R. Crawford
John R. Crawford, Registered Agent