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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

EXCEL TOBACCO DISTRIBUTORS, INC.

The -

undersigned subscriber(s) Incorporation, each a natural person competent to contract, hereby

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this corporation is EXCEL TOBACCO DISTRIBUTORS, INC.

ARTICLE II. NATURE OF BUSINESS

The corporation may engage in any activity or business which is permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III. CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is one hundred (100) shares of common stock without nominal or par value. consideration to be paid for each share shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. The stock so issued shall be fully paid and non-

ARTICLE IV. INITIAL CAPITAL

The amount of capital with which this corporation will begin business is Five Hundred and no/100 (\$500.00) Dollars.

ARTICLE V. TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VI. PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The initial street address of the principal office of this corporation in the State of Florida is 3400 McIntosh Road, Fort

86 This Instrument Prepared By: Douglas C. Kaplan, Esg. JUL Florida Bar No. 041302 Kaplan, Jaffe and Gates, P.A. 2435 Hollywood Boulevard Hollywood, Florida 33020 т т AH Telephone: (954) 920-9110 ö F98000013717 ധ

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The Board of Directors may, from time to time, move the principal office to any other address in the State of Florida.

ARTICLE VII. DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have not less than one director.

ARTICLE VIII. INITIAL DIRECTORS

The names, titles and addresses of the first the Board of

Directors are:

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James F. Bätalini

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President

ADDRESS

1104 Orange Isle Vice President

Samuel Schwartz

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315 9999 Collins Avenue, #9F

Bal Harbour, Florida 33154

Secretary/

Joseph Franco

Treasurer

2101 Vinings Circle, #1006 Wellington, Florida 33414 These officers shall hold office for the first year of existence of this corporation or until their successors are elected or appointed and have qualified.

ARTICLE IX. SUBSCRIBERS

The names and addresses of each subscriber to these Articles. of Incorporation are:

NAME

Samuel Schwartz

ADDRESS

9999 Collins Avenue, #9F

Joseph Franco

Bal Harbour, Florida 33154

2101 Vinings Circle, #1006 Wellington, Florida 33414

ARTICLE T. INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT The street address of the initial Registered Office of this Corporation is: 4800 S.W. 51st Street, Suite 106, Davie, Florida 33314, and the name of the initial Registered Agent of this

ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every Amendment shall be approved by the Board of

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Directors, proposed by them to the Stockholders, and approved at a Stockholders' meeting by a majority of the Stockholders entitled to vote thereon.

ARTICLE XII.

The Board of Directors, from time to time, shall determine The sourd of Directors, from time to time, shall determine whether and to what extent and what time and place, and under what conditions and regulations, the accounts and books of the corporation, or any of them, shall be open to inspection of the stockholders, and no stockholder shall have the right to inspect any account or document of the corporation except as permitted by statute, or Board of Directors or by resolution of the

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have made and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation, at Hollywood, Broward County, Florida, this <u>3300</u> day of July, 1998, for the uses and purposes

SAMUEL. (SEAL) , aeneck Jos<u>eph</u> FRANCC (SEAL)

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF BROWARD

SS:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, a Notary Public, duly authorized in the State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared, JAMES F. BATALINI, SAMUEL SCHWARTZ and JOSEPH FRANCO, who are () personally known to me or who have each () produced a valid driver's license or passport as identification and who did not take an oath and who Subscribed to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and who acknowledged before me the execution thereof for the uses and purposes therein mentioned and set forth. WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State above set forth this 23rd day of ______, 1998.



My Commission Expires:

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80000013 CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091,

following is submitted, in compliance with said act: Florida Statutes,

First--That EXCEL TOBACCO DISTRIBUTORS, INC. desiring to the organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at City of Fort Lauderdale, County of Broward, State of Florida, has named SAMDEL SCHWARTZ, located at 4800 S.W. 51st Street, Suite 106, Davie, Broward County, Florida 33314, as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

Having been named to accept service of process of the above stated corporation, at place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

SAMUEL SCHWARTZ Registered Agent

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