# CAPITAL CONNECTION, INC.

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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

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## MERMAID YACHTS, INC.

ARTICLE I. CORPORATE NAME.

The name of this corporation is MERMAID YACHTS, INC.

#### ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE.

The initial principal place of business of this corporation is 4000-27 St. Johns Avenue, Suite 59, Jacksonville, Florida 32205, and the initial mailing address of this corporation is the same.

#### ARTICLE III. DURATION.

The corporation is to commence its corporate existence effective for all purposes as of August 31, 1998, notwithstanding the fact that these articles may be filed within five (5) business days of the effective date hereof. This corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE IV. PURPOSE.

EFFECTIVE DATE 08-31-98

This corporation is organized to transact any and all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the Florida Business Corporation Act, Chapter 607, Florida Statutes (1997), as amended, or any successor statute thereto (hereinafter, the "Act").

#### ARTICLE V. CAPITAL STOCK.

The number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 100,000 and shall consist of one class only. The par value of each share of stock issued shall be \$1.00.

### ARTICLE VI. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE.

The name of the initial registered agent for the corporation is Grady H. Williams, Jr., and the street address of the initial registered office for the named registered agent is 1279 Kingsley Avenue, Suite 117, Orange Park, Florida, 32073.

### ARTICLE VII. MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS.

Section 1. <u>Board of Directors.</u> The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a board of directors, consisting of two (2) persons. The manner of election of the Board of Directors shall be as designated in the bylaws of this corporation.

Section 2. <u>Initial Board.</u> The name and address of the initial member of the board of directors is as follows:

<u>NAME</u>

**ADDRESS** 

Marlyn Lewis Carter

628 Melody Drive Metairie, LA

Lynda Mitchell

23 Jennifer Court Mandaville, LA 70434

Section 3. <u>Corporate Officers.</u> The board of directors shall elect the following officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and such other officers as the bylaws of this corporation may authorize the directors to elect from time to time.

## ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS.

These articles of incorporation may be amended in accordance with the Act.

# ARTICLE IX. INCORPORATOR.

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

Grady H. Williams, Jr. 1279 Kingsley Avenue, Suite 117 Orange Park, Florida 32073

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these articles of incorporation to be effective for all purposes as of August 31, 1998, notwithstanding the fact that these articles may be actually filed with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations within five (5) business days of the effective date hereof.

Grady H. Williams, Jr.

Incorporator

## CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Pursuant to Sections 48.091 and 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

MERMAID YACHTS, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation in the County of Duval, State of Florida, has named as its agent to accept service of process within this State:

Grady H. Williams, Jr. 1279 Kingsley Avenue, Suite 117 Orange Park, FL 32073

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

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 agree to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of the Act. 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 was and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Grady H. Williams, Jr.

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF CLAY

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 31st day of August, 1998, by Grady H. Williams, Jr. who is personally known to me.

Notary Public 555

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public, State of Florida
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