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DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND FINANCE STATE OF FLORIDA

TALLAHASSEE 32399-0350

May 14, 1999

Mr. David W. Dunbar Chairman and CEO Peoples Bank Post Office Box 10 Palm Harbor, Florida 34682-0010

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Re: "Peoples Florida Banking Corporation"

Reference is made to your letter/fax dated May 13, requesting approval of the abovereferenced corporate name which will be a one bank holding company for Peoples Bank, located in Palm Harbor, Florida.

As Section 655.922(2)(a), Florida Statutes, exempts a financial institution, holding company or its subsidiaries from the prohibition against using the word "bank", "banker", "banking", "trust company", "savings and loan association", "savings bank", or "credit union" in its corporate name, the Division of Banking will not object to the use of the above corporate name being registered to transact business in the state of Florida.

Sincerely,

Art Simon Director

Division of Banking 101 E. Gaines Street Fletcher Bldg.-6th Floor

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0350

(850) 410-9111

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cc: Karon Beyer, Chief Bureau of Corporate Records Secretary of State's Office

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

PEOPLES FLORIDA BANKING CORPORATION, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, in accordance with Statute 607.0202, Florida Statutes, 1997, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

Article I

The name of the corporation shall be **PEOPLES FLORIDA BANKING CORPORATION** and the initial principal office shall be 32845 U. S. Highway 19 North, Palm Harbor, Pinellas County, Florida 34684.

Article II

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

Article III

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be: To engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida and to carry out said purposes in any state, territory, district, or possession of the United States, or in any foreign country, to the extent that these purposes are not forbidden by the law of any state, territory, district, or possession of the United States, or by the foreign country.

<u>Article IV</u>

The authorized capital stock of the corporation shall consist of three million (3,000,000) shares (when fully issued) of ten (10¢) cents par value common stock.

Article V

The business and affairs of this corporation shall be managed and conducted by a Board of Directors, all as more fully set forth in the bylaws of the corporation.

Article VI

The names and address of the individuals who will serve as initial Directors until the first annual meeting of shareholders, or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified are as follows:

David L. Brandon 557 U.S. Alternate 19 Palm Harbor, FL 34683 David W. Dunbar 32845 U.S. 19 Palm Harbor, FL 34684 Frederick Fisher P.O. Box 7690 Clearwater, FL 33758

Glen L. Keys P.O. Box 679 Elfers, FL 34680

Ken Marks, Jr. 24825 U.S. 19, North Clearwater, FL 33763

Daniel Schmitt 17935 U.S. Hwy 19 Hudson, FL 34667 Donald Kaltenbach 7026 Little Road New Port Richey, FL 34654

Jack Latvalas 35111 U.S. 19, North #105 Palm Harbor, FL 34684

David F. Nelson 3483 Alternate 19 Palm Harbor, FL 34684

Robert B. Spence 250 N. Belcher Road #100 Clearwater, FL 33765

Article VII

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

David W. Dunbar 32845 U. S. Highway 19 North Palm Harbor, FL 34684

Article VIII

The Articles of Incorporation of this corporation may be amended as provided by law.

Article IX

Holders of common stock shall have no preemptive rights.

Article X

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office and the name of its initial registered agent is as follows:

David W. Dunbar 32845 U. S. Highway 19 North Palm Harbor, FL 34684

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand and seal and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation, at Palm Harbor, Pinellas County, Florida, this 10th, day of May, 1999.

DAVID W. DUNBAR, Incorporator

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

<u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</u>

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of May, 1999, by David W. Dunbar, individually. He is personally known to me.

cary Public

Commission Expires:

Joanne M. Brookins MY COMMISSION # CC548953 EXPIRES April 21, 2000 BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESIDENT AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in the above Articles of Incorporation, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provisions of Florida law relative hereto.

DAVID W. DUNBAR, Registered Agent

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