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Department of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314 000002973080--1 -08/30/99--01037--022 \*\*\*\*\*70.00 \*\*\*\*\*70.00

Re: Articles of Incorporation - Benton Technologies, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Please find the enclosed Check for \$70.00 and the (2) Copies of Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced Corporation. Please file these with the proper authorities and return the Certificate of Filing back to the Entity addressed above. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated in advance.

If you have any questions, please do hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

James K. Reese

President

Enclosures:

(2) Copies of Articles of Incorporation

Check for \$70.00

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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

# BENTON TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be:

# BENTON TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation is:

To engage in services and activities associated with the decision-making in the public and private sector.

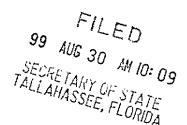
To engage in any other lawful business, to purchase, or otherwise acquire, and to own, mortgage, pledge, sell, convey, assign, transfer, or otherwise dispose of, and to invest in and hold real or personal property, of every class, kind, and description, and to otherwise engage in any legal business or activity permitted under the laws of the State of Florida and in all other States and counties.

To conduct said business in, have one or more offices in, and buy, hold, mortgage, sell, convey, lease or otherwise dispose of real and personal property, including franchises, patents, copyrights, trademarks, and license in the State of Florida and in all other States and counties.

To contract debts and borrow money, issue and sell or pledge bonds, debentures, notes and other evidence of indebtedness, and execute such mortgages and transfers of corporate indebtedness as required.

To purchase the corporate assets of any other corporation and engage in the same or other character of business.

To guarantee, endorse, purchase, hold, sell, mortgage, transfer, pledge or otherwise acquire or dispose of the shares of the capital stock of, or any bonds, securities, of any other corporation of the State of Florida or any other State or Government, and while owner of such stock to exercise all of the rights, powers, and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote such stock.



# ARTICLE III - CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 1,000 shares at no par value. The corporation will not commence business until it has received for the issuance of shares consideration of the value of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) consisting of money, labor done or property actually received.

## **ARTICLE IV - PREEMPTIVE RIGHT**

Holders of the common stock shall have the right to subscribe and purchase their pro rata shares of any new common stock which may be issued by the corporation.

#### **ARTICLE V - TERM OF EXISTENCE**

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

# **ARTICLE VI - PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation shall be at 1726 Kingsley Ave., Suite 5, Orange Park, FL 32073.

## **ARTICLE VII - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT & ADDRESS**

The name and address of the initial registered agent is William R. Benton at 1726 Kingsley Ave., Suite 5, Orange Park, FL 32073.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - DIRECTORS**

This corporation shall not have more than one (1) director initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by By-Laws adopted by the stockholders.

### ARTICLE IX - INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The name and address of the Initial Director and Officers are:

NAME ADDRESS

William R. Benton 341 Edson Drive

P/D/T Orange Park, FL 32073

Fernley M. Benton 341 Edson Drive D/VP Orange Park, FL 32073

Diana L. Voller 1726 Kingsley Ave., Suite 5

Orange Park, FL 32073

# **ARTICLE X - INCORPORATOR**

The name and street address of the Incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is:

NAME

**ADDRESS** 

William R. Benton

341 Edson Drive Orange Park, FL 32073

### **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 Directors, proposed by them to the stockholders, and approved at stockholders' meeting by a majority of the stockholders entitled to vote thereon, unless all the Directors and all of the stockholders sign a written statement manifesting their intention that a certain amendment to these Articles of Incorporation be made.

# **ARTICLE XII - SPECIAL PROVISION**

It is the intent of the incorporator that the corporation will qualify under Section 1244 of the Internal Revenue Code and that the corporation will file as a Subchapter S corporation.

### **ARTICLE XIII - EFFECTIVE DATE**

These Articles of Incorporation shall be effective on the date of filing.

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF Duval

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, a Notary Public, duly authorized in State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared <u>William R. Benton</u> to me known to be the person described as subscribed in and executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged before me that he subscribed to those Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State named above on this the work day of Alws, 1949.

James K Reese

My Commission CC79618

Expires December 9, 2002

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# CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION

### REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE



The name of the corporation is:

# BENTON TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

The name and address of the Registered Agent and Office

William R. Benton 341 Edson Drive Orange Park, Florida 32073

SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

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Having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statues relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as Registered Agent.

**SIGNATURE** 

William R. Benton

DATE