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ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION
THE CANOPY GROUP, INC.

ARTICLE I - NAME

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The name of the corporation is **THE CANOPY GROUP, INC.**

ARTICLE II - DURATION

The date when the corporation's existence shall begin shall be the date of subscription and acknowledgment stated herein if this Certificate of Incorporation or Articles of Incorporation are filed within five (5) days, exclusive of legal holidays, after subscription and acknowledgment hereof, and are subsequently approved by the Secretary of State, and all filing fees and taxes paid, otherwise, it shall be the date when the Articles of Incorporation are filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and approved. The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

This Corporation is organized for the purpose of engaging in the activity or business of providing management and marketing services to the retirement in addition to any and all related activities or business that may be associated thereto or required thereby.

ARTICLE IV - CAPITAL STOCK

This corporation is authorized to issue **ONE HUNDRED** shares of **\$1.00** Par Value Common Stock.

ARTICLE V - PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS

After the initial issue of common stock of this Corporation, every Shareholder, upon the sale for cash of any new stock of this Corporation of the same kind, class or series as that which he already holds, shall have the right to purchase his pro rata share of stock of this Corporation, (as nearly as may be done without issuance of fractional shares) at the price which it is offered to others.

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ARTICLE VI
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE, AGENT AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The name of the initial registered agent and the street address of the initial registered office and the principal office of this Corporation is:

Paul Herrington
215 SW 87th Terrace
Plantation, FL 33324

ARTICLE VII
FIRST BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Corporation's first Board of Directors shall consist of ONE, (1), Directors. The number of Directors may be either increased or decreased from time to time by the by-laws, but shall never be less than ONE, (1). The name and address of the initial Board of Directors of this Corporation are:

Paul Herrington
215 SW 87th Terrace
Plantation, FL 33324

ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation is:

Paul Herrington
215 SW 87th Terrace
Plantation, FL 33324

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 24th day of September, 1999.


Paul Herrington
Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA:

SS


COUNTY OF BROWARD:

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, authorized to take acknowledgments in the State of Florida and County set forth above, personally appeared Paul Herrington, known to personally to me to be the person and which was confirmed through the examination of his Florida Drivers License, who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed these Articles of Incorporation

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this 24th day of September, 1999.



Pamela Colder
Commission # CC 798043
Expires DEC. 20, 2002
BONDED THRU
ATLANTIC BONDING CO., INC.


Notary Public
State of Florida

My commission expires:
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ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for The Canopy Group, Inc., at the place designated in the Articles of Incorporation, Paul Herrington, agrees to act in this capacity, and agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091 relative to keeping open such office.

Date: September 24th, 1999


Paul Herrington

STATE OF FLORIDA:

SS


COUNTY OF BROWARD:

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, authorized to take acknowledgments in the State of Florida and County set forth above, personally appeared Paul Herrington, known to personally to me to be to be the person and which was confirmed through the examination of his Florida Drivers License, who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed these Articles of Incorporation

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this 24th day of September, 1999



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