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Florida Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find the Articles of Incorporation of Merchant Financial Solutions, Inc. and a check for \$78.75 payable to Division of

Very truly yours,

D. BROWN OCT 2 2 1999

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FILED

MERCHANT FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS, INC. 99 OCT 20 -AM ID: 24

ARTICLE I - NAME

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The name of the corporation is:

MERCHANT FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS, INC.

This corporation shall have perpetual existence, unless This corporation shall have perpetual existence, unless sooner dissolved in accordance with the Laws of the State of Florida. Corporate existence shall commence at the time of filing of the Articles by the Department of State, State of Florida.

## ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

This corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting any and all lawful business.

## ARTICLE IV - CAPITAL STOCK

This corporation is authorized to issue 1000 shares of One Dollar (\$1.00) par value common stock which shall be designated "COMMON SHARES."

# ARTICLE V - PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS

Every shareholder, upon the sale for cash of any new stock of this corporation of the same kind, class or series as that which 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 thereof (as nearly as may be done without issuance of share thereof (as nearly as may be done without issuance of share shares) at the price at which it is offered to others.

# ARTICLE VI - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 3804 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables, Florida 33134 and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is <u>Heberto R. Espinosa</u> The principal office of the corporation will be <u>3804 Alhambra Circle</u>, Coral Gables, Florida 33134

ARTICLE VII - INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have one director initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the bylaws but shall never be less than one. The name and address of the initial director of this corporation is:

3804 Alhambra Circle Coral Gables, Florida 33134 Heberto R. Espinosa

### ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing these articles is: Heberto R. Espinosa 3804 Alhambra Circle Coral Gables, Florida 33134 ARTICLE IX - BYLAWS The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors and the shareholders. ARTICLE X - CALLING OF SPECIAL MEETINGS Special meetings of shareholders may be called by the Board of Directors or the holders of not less than one tenth of all the shares entitled to vote at the meeting. ARTICLE XI - SHAREHOLDER QUORUM AND VOTING

The majority of the shares entitled to vote, represented in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of shareholders.

If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of the majority of the shares represented at the meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be the act of the shareholders.

# SHAREHOLDERS REQUIRED FOR MERGER

The approval of the shareholders of this corporation to any plan of merger shall be required in every case, whether or not such approval is required by law.

## ARTICLE XIII - INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify any officer of director, or any former officer or director, to the full extent permitted by law.

### ARTICLE XIV - AMENDMENT

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these articles of incorporation, or any provision contained in these articles of incorporation, of any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned subscriber has executed these articles of incorporation this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_.

Heberto R. Espinosa

STATE OF FLORIDA ) SS: COUNTY OF DADE

BEFORE ME, a notary public authorized to take acknowledgement in the state and county set forth above, personally appeared Heberto R. Espinosa, known to me and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing articles of incorporation, and he (they) acknowledged before me that he (they) executed those articles of incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my hand and affixed my official seal in the State and county aforesaid, this day of Oct. 1999

of Florida at Large

OFFICIAL NOTARY SEAL ANA BOFILL My commission expires NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA COMMISSION NO. CC873572 MY COMMISSION EXP. SEPT 22,2003

I, the undersigned, having been named as initial registered agent of the corporation in the foregoing articles of incorporation hereby accept said office and will serve in said capacity.

> Espinosa 6 R. REGISTERED AGENT