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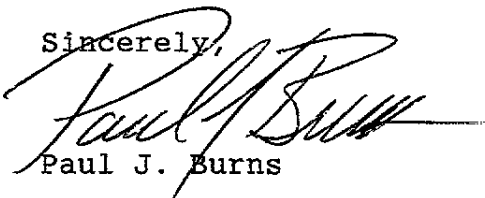
Re: SILVER CREEK SURGICAL, INC. (AMENDMENT of NAME)

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find Article of Amendment to change the name of the above corporation which was recently filed with your office.

Please be advised the corporate directors are aware corporations are on file with names similar to the one proposed, including GULF COAST SURGERY, INC. and GULFCOAST SURGICAL CENTER, INC. Nonetheless, they do not believe there will be any problems or confusion caused by the similarity in the names. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact my office.

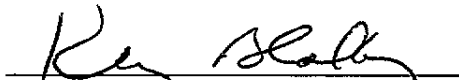
Sincerely,



Paul J. Burns

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I understand and agree with the above.



Kerry Blakey, Director
GULF COAST SURGICAL, INC. f/k/a
SILVER CREEK SURGICAL, INC.

N/c

V. SHEPARD JAN 25 2000

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
TO
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
SILVER CREEK SURGICAL, INC.

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Pursuant to the provisions of section 607.1006, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation adopts the following articles of amendment to its articles of incorporation:

FIRST: Amendments adopted:

The name of the Corporation is GULF COAST SURGICAL, INC.

SECOND: If an amendment provides for an exchange, reclassification or cancellation of issued shares, provisions for implementing the amendment if not contained in the amendment itself, are as follows: N/A

THIRD: The date of each amendment's adoption: January 11, 2000

FOURTH: Adoption of Amendment(s) (check one)

XX The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the incorporators or board of directors without shareholder action and shareholder action was not required.

 The amendment(s) was/were approved by the shareholders. The number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval.

 The amendment(s) was/were approved by the shareholders through voting groups.

[The following statement must be separately provided for each voting group entitled to vote separately on the amendment(s).]

The number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval by _____
(voting group)

Signed this 11th day of January, 2000.

GULF COAST SURGICAL, INC. f/k/a SILVER CREEK SURGICAL, INC.

By Kerry Blakey
KERRY BLAKEY, Director

By Paul J. Burns
PAUL J. BURNS, Incorporator