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RE: Inns of the Tropics, Inc.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation on the above referenced for filing with your office. I have also enclosed my check in the amount of \$78.75 as payment for the filing fee and a certified copy of the Articles. If I can be of any further assistance to you concerning this matter, please call me or my secretary, Robin Gedmin.

Thanking you for your assistance with this matter, I am,

Sincerely,

JOHN M. SPOTTSWOOD, JR.

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Enclosures

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

- FIRST: The name of this corporation is: INNS OF THE TROPICAL INC.
- SECOND: This corporation is organized for the purpose of transacting any and all lawful business for which the corporation may be formed under Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes.
- THIRD: This corporation is authorized to issue 1,000 shares of common stock, par value \$1.00 per share.
- FOURTH: The name and address of the initial registered agent of this corporation is: JOE D. WELLS, JR., 1006 Fleming Street, Key West, FL 33040.
- FIFTH: The name and address of the initial director is: JOE D. WELLS, JR., whose address is 1006 Fleming Street, Key West, FL 33040. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time as provided in the By-laws but shall never be less than one.
- SIXTH: The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is: JOE D. WELLS, JR., whose address is 1006 Fleming Street, Key West, FL 33040.
- SEVENTH: This corporation shall indemnify its officers, directors, employees and agent to the full extent permitted by law.
- EIGHTH: This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or in any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholder is subject to this reservation.
- NINTH: The address of the corporation is 1006 Fleming Street, Key West, FL 33040.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1999.

Incorporator:

JOE D. WELLS, JR.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MONROE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1999, by JOE D. WELLS, JR., who is personally known to me or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.



Robin R. Gedmin  
MY COMMISSION # CC794170 EXPIRES  
April 1, 2003  
BONDED THRU TROY FAIR INSURANCE, INC

Robin R. Gedmin  
NOTARY PUBLIC

ROBIN R. GEDMIN

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary Public

**ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT**

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as registered agent contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

JOE D. WELLS, JR.