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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Office of the Secretary of State
Corporations Division
100 North Main Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903-1335

NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
(To Be Filed In Duplicate Original)

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

1. The name of the corporation is Rhode Island Marine Trade Association

2. The period of its duration is (if perpetual, so state) perpetual

3. The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

- ☐ 1. To promote mutual confidence and cooperation among persons engaged in the Marine Industry;
- ☐ 2. To exchange trade information;
- ☐ 3. To work for harmonious trade relations;
- ☐ 4. To promote any and all activities relative to the Marine Industry and its continuing growth in this state;
- ☐ 5. To promote legislation favorable to the marine industry and to oppose any and all adverse legislation;
- ☐ 6. To promote marine facilities and to work with other organizations, such as the Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, United States Power Squadrons in providing better and safer boating in Rhode Island waters;
- ☐ 7. To offer guidance, instructions and general assistance to the boat owner, particularly the newcomer; and
- ☐ 8. To do such lawful acts as may be deemed beneficial to those engaged in any phase of the boating business.

4. Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

- ☐ This Association is not organized for profit, and no part of the net earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit of any officer, director, or member (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to and for the Association). In the event of the liquidation of the Association, whether voluntary or involuntary, no officer, director, or member shall be entitled to any distribution or division of the Association, the balance of all money, assets and other property of the Association, after the payment of all its debts and obligation, shall, pursuant to a resolution of the Association or an order of a court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Rhode Island be used by, or distributed to, an organization or organizations which would then qualify under Section 501(c) (6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, which will use such property to accomplish one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

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5. The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 1274 West Main Road
(Street Address, not P.O. Box)
Middletown, RI 02842, and the name of its initial registered agent at such
(City/Town) (Zip Code)
address is Sharon J. McNamee
(Name of Agent)

6. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 4
(not less than three directors)
and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
____ President, Ed Sherman	64 Pleasant St., Wickford, RI 02852
____ Vice President, Ken Kubic	P.O. Box 1028, Charlestown, RI 02813
____ Secretary, Lia Spinelli	The Sailing Company, 5 John Clarke Rd., Newport, RI 02840
____ Treasurer, Jim Long	Watch Hill Boat Yard, 21 Pasadena Ave., Watch Hill, RI 02891
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7. The name and address of each incorporator is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Sharon J. McNamee</u>	<u>1274 West Main Road, Middletown, RI 02842</u>
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8. Date when corporate existence is to begin May 11, 2001
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of incorporation)

Under penalty of perjury, I/we declare and affirm that I/we have examined these Articles of Incorporation, including any accompanying attachments, and that all statements contained herein are true and correct.

Date: 4-25-01

Sharon J. McNamee

Signature of each Incorporator