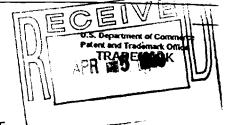
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CERTIFICATE OF MERGER
OF
CPS DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.
(a Delaware corporation)
WITH AND INTO
MCRAE'S, INC.
(a Mississippi corporation)

I. Constituent Corporations

CPS Department Stores, Inc., a Delaware corporation, is hereby merged with and into McRae's, Inc., a Mississippi corporation, pursuant to Section 252 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, with McRae's, Inc. to survive the merger.

II. Agreement and Plan of Morger

An Agreement and Plan of Merger between the parties to the merger has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by each of the constituent corporations in accordance with the requirements of subsection (c) of Section 252 of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

III. Name of Surviving Corporation

The name of the surviving corporation shall be McRae's, Inc.

IV. Certificate of Incorporation

The Articles of Incorporation of McRae's, Inc., a Mississippi corporation, shall be the Articles of Incorporation of the surviving corporation.

V. Executed Agreement and Plan of Merger

The executed Agreement and Plan of Merger is on file at 750 Lakeshore Parkway, Birmingham, Alabama 35211, the principal place of business of the surviving corporation.

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VI. Copy of Agreement and Plan of Meruer

A copy of the Agreement and Plan of Merger will be furnished by the surviving corporation, on request and without cost, to any stockholder of either constituent corporation.

VII. Service of Process

McRae's, Inc., the surviving corporation, agrees that it may be served with process in the State of Delaware in any proceeding for enforcement of any obligation of CPS Department Stores, Inc., the non-surviving corporation, as well as for enforcement of any obligation of the surviving corporation arising from the merger, including any suit or other proceeding to enforce the right of any stockholders as determined in appraisal proceedings pursuant to the provisions of Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, and the surviving corporation does hereby irrevocably appoint the Secretary of State of Delaware as its agent to accept service of process in any such suit or other proceeding. The address to which a copy of such process shall be mailed by said Secretary of State is 750 Lakeshore Parkway, Birmingham, Alabams 35211, until the surviving corporation shall have hereafter designated in writing to said Secretary of State a different address for such purpose.

VIII. Effective Time

This Certificate of Merger and the merger contemplated hereby shall become effective at 7:00 p.m. E.S.T. on January 30, 1999.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, McRae's, Inc. has caused this Certificate of Merger to be executed by a duly authorized officer this 26th day of January, 1999.

MCRAE'S, INC.

By:

Name:

Title:

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I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER, WHICH MERGES:

"CPS DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.", A DELAWARE CORPORATION,
WITH AND INTO "MCRAE'S, INC." UNDER THE NAME OF "MCRAE'S,
INC.", A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, AS RECEIVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE
THE TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 1999, AT 9:14 O'CLOCK
A.M.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AFORESAID CERTIFICATE OF MERGER IS THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 1999.

A FILED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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