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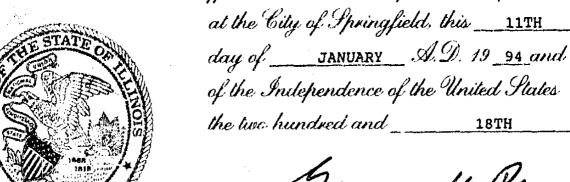
CHICAGO PARTNERS, INC.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS HAVE BEEN FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AS PROVIDED BY THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF ILLINOIS, IN FORCE JULY 1, A.D. 1984.

Now Therefore, I, George H. Ryan, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, by virtue of the powers vested at me by law, do hereby issue this certificate and attach hereto a copy of the Application of the aforesoid corporation.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to

be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Illinois,



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merger was approved to to each corporation not organized in thinly, in compliance with the 5. Plan of geosphistries laws of the state undur which it is organized, and (b) as to each Illinois corporation. **EXCEPTION OF COMMERCE** as follows: (The following items are not applicable to mergers under §11.30 —90% owned subsidiary provisions. See Article 7.) (Only "X" one box for each corporation) By the shareholders, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and By written consent of the shareholders having not less submitted to a vote at a meeting of shareholders. Not less than the minimum number of than the minimum number of votes required by statute and By written consent votes required by statute and by the articles of incorporaof ALL the shareby the articles of incorporation tion. Shareholders who have holders entitled to voted in favor of the action not consented in writing have vote on the action. been given notice in acorin accordance with taken. dance with § 7.10 (§ 11.220) § 7.10 & § 11.20 (§ 11.20) Name of Corporation MP VENTURES, INC. 147 CHICAGO PARINERS, INC. (Not applicable if surviving, new or acquiring corporation is an !/invis corporation) It is agreed that, upon and after the issuance of a certificate of merger, consolidation or exchange by the Secretary of

State of the State of Illinois:

- The surviving, new or acquiring corporation may be served with processing the State of Illinois in any proceeding for the enforcement of any obligation of any corporation organized under the lows of the State of Illinois which is a party to the merger, consolidation or exchange and in any proceeding for the enforcement of the rights of a dissenting shareholder of any such corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois against the surviving, new or acquiring corporation.
- The Secretary of State of the State of Illinois shall be and hereby is irrevocably appointed as the agent of the b. surviving, new or acquiring corporation to accept service of process in any such proceedings, and
- Ç, The surviving, new, or acquiring corporation will promptly pay to the dissenting shareholders of any corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois which is a party to the merger, consolidation or exchange the amount if any, to which they shall be entitled under the provisions of "The Business Corporation Act of 1983" of the State of Illinois with respect to the rights of dissenting shareholders.

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lawful and practicable date. When used in this Plan, the term "Surviving Corporation" shall mean MMG as the corporation surviving the Merger as of the Effective Time and thereafter. The Surviving Corporation shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois.

At the Effective Time, the separate existence of MPV shall cease. The Surviving Corporation shall have the name "Chicago Partners, Inc." and shall possess all the rights, privileges, powers and franchises as well of a public and of a private nature and shall be subject to all the restrictions, disabilities and duties of MPV and MMG; and all and singular, the rights, privileges, powers and franchises of MPV and MMG, and all assets and property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts and claims due to MPV or MMG on whatever account, as well as for stock subscriptions and all other things in action or belonging to MPV or MMG shall be vested in the Surviving Corporation; and all property, rights, privileges, powers and franchises, and all and every other interest shall be thereafter as effectually the property of the Surviving Corporation as they were of MPV and MMG, and the title to any real estate vested by deed or otherwise, under the laws of any state, in MPV or MMG, shall not revert or be in any way impaired by reason of the Merger; but all rights of creditors and all liens upon any property of MPV or MMG shall be preserved unimpaired and all debts. liabilities and duties of each of MPV and MMG shall be preserved unimpaired, and all debts, liabilities and duties of each of MPV and MMG shall thenceforth attach to the Surviving Corporation, and may be enforced against it to the same extent as if such debts, liabilities and duties had been incurred or contracted by it.

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- The Articles of Incorporation of MMG immediately prior to the Merger shall 3. be the Articles of Incorporation of the Surviving Corporation until amended in accordance with the provisions thereof and Illinois law.
- The By-Laws of MPV immediately prior to the Merger shall be the By-Laws 4. of the Surviving Corporation until altered, amended or repealed as provided therein and in the Articles of Incorporation of the Surviving Corporation.
- The following persons shall be the officers of the Surviving Corporation. holding the offices in the Surviving Corporation set forth opposite their names until their successors shall have been appointed in accordance with the By-laws of the Surviving Corporation and shall have been duly qualified:

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President Dean M. Harrison

Secretary David Rakov

Vice President Michael D. DeStefano

Vice President F. Wilford Germino

The following persons shall be the directors of the Surviving Corporation until their successors shall have been elected or appointed in accordance with tim By-Laws of the Surviving Corporation: Michael D. DeStefano, F. Wilford Germino, Kyung O. Hahn, Patrick L. McGinnis, James Foody, Bruce L. Gewertz, F. Leonard Johnson and Kenneth S. Polonsky.

- The manner of converting the shares of MPV and MMG shall be as follows: 6.
- At the Effective Time each share of common stock of MMG common (a) stock of MMG (the "MMG Common Stock") outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time, other than the shares of MMG Common Stock held by MPV, shall not

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EXHIBIT A TO FORM BCA-11.25 PLAN OF MERGER

THIS PLAN OF MERGER (this "Plan"), dated as of January ___, 1994, contemplates the merger of MP Ventures, Inc., an Illinois corporation ("MPV"), into Chicago Partners, Inc., formerly known as Meyer Medical Group, S.C., an Illinois corporation ("MMG"), with MMG as the surviving corporation to such merger.

RECITALS

- A. MPV and MMG are corporations duly organized and existing under the laws of Illinois.
 - B. MPV was organized on October 29, 1993.
 - C. MMG was organized or. January 8, 1964.
- D. The Boards of Directors of MPV and MMG have approved this Plan, pursuant to which MPV shall be merged with and into MMG, with MMG being the surviving corporation (the "Merger"), and have authorized the execution hereof.

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shall be merged with and into MMG pursuant to Section 11.05 of the Business Corporation Act of the State of Illinois (the "Illinois Law"). The Merger shall be effective when properly executed Articles of Merger (together with any other documents required by laws to effectuate the Merger) shall be filed as required under Illinois law (the "Effective Time"). The parties hereto shall proceed with due diligence to take all actions necessary in accordance with applicable law and their respective Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws to cause the Merger to be consummated at the earliest

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be converted in the Merger but shall continue to be one legally and validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable share of Common Stock of the Surviving Corporation.

- (b) At the Effective Time each share of MMG Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time and held by MPV shall, without any further action, be canceled.
- "MPV Common Stock") outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall, without any action on the part of the holders thereof, be converted into and exchanged for one (1) validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable share of Common Stock of the Surviving Corporation.
- 7. MPV shall surrenuer to MMG the certificate or certificates which immediately prior to the Effective Time represented the shares of MMG Common Stock held by MPV. Such certificates shall immediately be cancelled. Upon surrender of a certificate or certificates which immediately prior to the Effective Time represented outstanding shares of MPV Common Stock (the "Certificates") for cancellation to the Surviving Corporation (or a lost certificate affidavit or cond in a form reasonably acceptable to the Surviving Corporation) at the Surviving Corporation's principal place of business, the holder of such Certificate shall be entitled to receive in exchange therefor a certificate or certificates representing the number of shares of Common Stock of the Surviving Corporation into which the shares of MPV Common Stock theretofore represented by the Certificate so surrendered, shall have been exchanged as aforesaid, and the Certificate so surrendered shall forthwith be canceled.
- 8. No dividends or other distributions declared after the Effective Time with $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$ respect to Common Stock of the Surviving Corporation payable to holders of record $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$

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thereof after the Effective Time shall be paid to the holder of any unsurrendered Certificate with respect to shares of MPV Common Stock represented thereby until the holder of record shall surrender such Certificate. Until so surrendered and exchanged, each such outstanding Certificate shall for all purposes, other than the payment of dividends or other distributions, if any, to holders of record of shares of Common Stock of the Surviving Corporation evidence the ownership of the shares of Common Stock of the Surviving Corporation into and for which such shares have been so converted; provided, however, that upon surrender of a Certificate, there shall be paid to the record holder or holders of the Certificate, the amount, without interest thereon, of such dividends and other distributions, if any, which theretofore have become payable with respect to the number of shares of Common stock of the Surviving Corporation represented by such Certificate.

- At the Effective Time, MPV shall deliver a list of the holders of MPV Common Stock to MMG after which there shall be no further registration or transfers on the stock transfer books of MPV of the shares of MPV Common Stock which were outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time. It after the Effective Time, certificates representing such shares are presented to the Surviving Corporation they shall be canceled and exchanged for certificates representing shares of common Stock of the Surviving Corporation as provided in this Plan.
- If any certificate representing shares of Common Stock of the Surviving 10. Corporation is to be issued in a name other than that in which a Certificate surrendered in exchange therefor is registered, it shall be a condition of the issuance thereof that the Certificate so surrendered shall be properly endorsed, accompanied by all documents required to evidence and effect such transfer and otherwise in proper form for transfer.



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- share as to which a legally sufficient demand for appraisal has been made in accordance with the Illinois Law and which was not voted in favor of the Merger, shall not be converted into or represent a right to receive shares of Common Stock of the Surviving Corporation under this Plan unless and until the holder of such shares shall have failed to perfect or shall have effectively withdrawn or lost the right to appraisal of and payment for such shares, at which time that holder's shares shall be converted into shares of Common Stock of the Surviving Corporation in accordance with this Plan.
- meetings called to be held as promptly as practicable (or by written consent in lieu of a meeting as provided in Section 7.10 of the Illinois Law to be obtained as promptly as practicable). Upon approval by the requisite vote of the stockholders of MMG and MPV, this Plan shall be made effective as soon as practicable thereafter in the manner provided in Paragraph 1 hereof; provided, however, that the Merger shall not become effective prior to the closing of the acquisition by MPV of snares of MMG Common Stock pursuant to the Stock Purchase Plan.
- 13. This Plan may be terminated at any time prior to the Effective Time, whether before or after action thereon, by the mutual consent of MMC and MPV.
- amend, modify or supplement this Plan in whole or in part and in such manner as may be mutually agreed upon by them in writing at any time before or after the adoption of this Plan by the shareholders as contemplated hereby; provided, however, that after any such shareholder approval any such amendment will be subject to further approval of such shareholders if such further approval is required under the Illinois Law.





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- shareholder approval or any other matter which cannot be waived under applicable law) may be waived in writing at any time by the party which is, or whose stockholders are, entitled to the benefits thereof. The failure of any party at any time or times to require performance of any provision hereof shall in no manner affect such party's right at a later time to enforce the same. No waiver by any party of a condition or of the breach of this Pian whether by conduct or otherwise, in any one or more instances shall be deemed to be, or construed as, a further or continuing waiver of any such condition or breach or a waiver of any other condition or of the breach of this Plan.
- 16. This Plan shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws, other than the laws of conflict, of the State of Illinois.
- it will execute and deliver or cause to be executed and delivered all such further assignments, assurances or other instruments, and shall take or cause to be taken all such further actions, as may be necessary or desirable to consummate the Merger, and the other transactions contemplated by this Plan.

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