

The State of South Carolina, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT } BY THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE.

WHEREAS, M. S. Merritt, Greenville and H. H. Harris, Columbia

did on the 7th day of May 1937, file with the Secretary of State a written declaration signed by themselves, setting forth:

- FIRST: That their names and residences are as above stated.
SECOND: That the name of the proposed Corporation is Dixie Home Stores, Inc.
THIRD: That the principal place of business is Greenville, S.C.

FOURTH: That the general nature of the business which it is proposed to do is to conduct, operate and maintain a general wholesale and retail grocery business; buying and selling at wholesale and/or retail, groceries, staples and merchandise in general, either in its own name or under trade names. To manufacture, purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, mortgage, pledge, sell, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of, to invest, trade, deal in and with goods, wares and merchandise, real and personal property of every class and description, and in particular lands, buildings, business concerns, mortgages, shares, stocks, debentures, securities, produce, books debts, and claims and any interest in real or personal property, and any claims against such property, and to carry on any business, concern, or undertaking so acquired.

To acquire the good will, rights and property, and to acquire the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation and to pay for the same in cash, stocks or bonds, of this corporation or otherwise

To enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind for any lawful purpose without limits as to amount with any person, firm, association or corporation.

and to do any and all things incident to the proper management and maintenance of such a business, and to have and exercise all powers conferred by the laws of South Carolina on corporations formed under the laws thereof.

FIFTH: That the amount of the capital stock is two hundred fifty thousand (\$250,000.00) Dollars, payable in cash or exchange of stock of Dixie Stores and Home Stores

SIXTH: That the number of shares into which the capital stock is divided is two hundred and fifty thousand (250,000) of the par value of one (\$1.00) Dollars.

SEVENTH: That, after due notice, a meeting of the subscribers was held on the 24th day of April 1937, at which a majority of all stock in value being present in person or by proxy the following were elected directors: J. P. Williamson, M. S. Merritt, E. R. Barber, J. C. Bouchillon, Lewis Seal Jr., R. E. Ebert, H. H. Harris, and W. C. Newton

EIGHTH: That subsequently there was elected as President R. E. Ebert, Executive Vice Pres J. P. Williamson as Vice-President, H. H. Harris; as Secretary, E. R. Barber as Treasurer, W. C. Newton

NINTH: That all requirements of Article 2, Chapter 153 Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1932, and all amendments thereto, have been duly and fully complied with, 50 per cent, of the aggregate amount of the capital stock having been subscribed by bona fide subscribers, 20 per cent. of the capital stock subscribed having been paid to the Treasurer, and three days' public notice of the intention to file this Declaration with the Secretary of State having been given in Greenville Piedmont a newspaper published in the County of Greenville

NOW, Therefore, I, W. P. BLACKWELL, Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested by the aforesaid Code and Acts amendatory thereto, do hereby certify that the said Company has been fully organized according to the laws of South Carolina, under the name and for the purposes indicated in their written declaration, and that they are fully authorized to commence business under their charter; and I do hereby direct that a copy of this certificate be filed and recorded in the office of the Register of Mesne Conveyance or Clerk of Court in each county where such Corporation shall have a business office.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the State, at Columbia, this 7th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty seven and in the one hundred and sixty first year of the Independence of the United States of America. W. P. Blackwell Secretary of State.



Recorded May 10 1937, at 9:40 o'clock A. M.

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