

State of South Carolina  
 Executive Department  
 Pursuant to the Statute in relation to the  
 books of subscription to the capital stock  
 of the said company, the books of subscription  
 to the capital stock of the said company  
 were duly opened, and that thereupon  
 exceeding fifty per centum of the capital  
 stock was subscribed by bona fide stockholders;  
 that thereupon a meeting of stockholders  
 was called, and the aforesaid company  
 duly organized by the election of a Board  
 of Directors, and other necessary officers.  
 That, furthermore, they have complied  
 with all the requirements of an Act of  
 the General Assembly of the State of South  
 Carolina, entitled, "An Act to Provide for  
 the Formation of Certain Corporations and  
 to Define the Powers Thereof," approved  
 the ninth day of March A. D. 1896, and  
 all acts amendatory thereto.  
 Now, Therefore, I, M. A. Cooper, Secretary  
 of State, by virtue of the authority in me  
 vested by the aforesaid Act, 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 purpose 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  
 Merit Conveyance in each county where  
 such Corporation shall have a business office.  
 Given under my hand and the seal of the  
 State, at Columbia, this seventeenth day  
 of September in the year of our Lord one  
 thousand and nine hundred, and in the one  
 hundred and twenty-fifth year of the  
 Independence of the United States of  
 America.  
 M. A. Cooper (seal)  
 Secretary of State  
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 Cancelled.  
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And Whereas, on the twenty-third day of March, 1900, the said above named petitioners were commissioned by me a Board of Corporators:  
 And Whereas, the said Board of Corporators, on the seventeenth day of September, did file with the Secretary of State their return in writing, over their signatures, certifying among other things, that pursuant to published notice as required in the commission of the said Corporators, the books of subscription to the capital stock of the aforesaid company were duly opened, and that thereupon exceeding fifty per centum of the capital stock was subscribed by bona fide stockholders; that thereupon a meeting of stockholders was called, and the aforesaid company duly organized by the election of a Board of Directors, and other necessary officers. That, furthermore, they have complied with all the requirements of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, entitled, "An Act to Provide for the Formation of Certain Corporations and to Define the Powers Thereof," approved the ninth day of March A. D. 1896, and all acts amendatory thereto;  
 Now, Therefore, I, M. A. Cooper, Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested by the aforesaid Act, 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 purpose 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 Merit Conveyance in each county where such Corporation shall have a business office.  
 Given under my hand and the seal of the State, at Columbia, this seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand and nine hundred, and in the one hundred and twenty-fifth year of the Independence of the United States of America.  
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Secretary of State, }  
 to }  
 Franklin Mills, }  
 The State of South Carolina,  
 Office of the Secretary of State

Whereas, W. W. Burgess, W. B. Smith, H. A. Westmoreland, J. D. Ashmore, John H. Hyatt, C. C. Bailey, W. C. Waldrop, John A. Robinson, and L. A. Greene, all of Greens, S. C. did on the twenty-third day of March, 1900, file with the Secretary of State a written Declaration, signed by themselves, setting forth:  
 First: The names and residences of the said petitioners to be as above given.  
 Second: The name of the proposed corporation to be that of "Franklin Mills."  
 The principal place of business of the corporation will be Greens, S. C.  
 The general purpose of the corporation, and the nature of business it proposes to do is the manufacture of cotton goods; buy or sell land, stock or bonds and do a general mercantile, cotton oil and ginnery business.  
 Third: The amount of the Capital Stock to be Forty-five Thousand Dollars, payable in installments as called for by the Board of Directors, and the number of shares into which the Capital stock is to be divided is four hundred and fifty, of the par value of One Hundred Dollars each, with privilege of increasing the capital stock to One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars.  
 Now, Therefore, I, M. A. Cooper, Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, entitled, "An Act to Provide for the Formation of Certain Corporations and to Define the Powers Thereof," approved the ninth day of March A. D. 1896, and Acts amendatory thereto, do hereby commission the above named petitioners a Board of Corporators, and do hereby authorize and empower them to open books of subscription to the Capital Stock of the Company proposed to be organized, as set forth in the above mentioned Declaration. And I do hereby require that the said Board of Corporators shall give not less than one days previous notice by advertisement in the "Evening Observer" a newspaper published in the County of Greenville, S. C. of the time and