# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): September 26, 2008

## Limited Brands, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-8344 (Commission File Number)  ${\bf 31\text{-}1029810} \\ \textbf{(IRS Employer Identification No.)}$ 

Three Limited Parkway
Columbus, OH
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

43230 (Zip Code)

(614) 415-7000 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))	

#### Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On September 26, 2008, the Board of Directors of Limited Brands, Inc. (the "Company") approved certain amendments to (and voted to amend and restate) the Company's bylaws. Among other things, the amendments (i) establish a majority vote standard for the election of directors in uncontested elections (Section 2.03); (ii) establish advance notice timing and disclosure requirements for shareholder proposals other than director nominations (Section 1.12); and (iii) alter the Company's existing advance notice timing and disclosure requirements for shareholders nominating director candidates (Section 2.04).

The foregoing description of certain of the amendments to the Company's Bylaws is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amended and Restated Bylaws, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 3.2 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Limited Brands, Inc. dated September 26, 2008.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Limited Brands, Inc.

Date: September 29, 2008

By /s/ Douglas L. Williams

Douglas L. Williams Senior Vice President and General Counsel

## AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF LIMITED BRANDS, INC.

Adopted September 26, 2008

#### ARTICLE I STOCKHOLDERS

<u>Section 1.01. Annual Meeting</u>. The annual meeting of the stockholders of this corporation, for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting, shall be held on such date, at such time, and at such place as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 1.02. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the stockholders may be called at any time by the chairman of the board, any vice chairman of the board, or in case of the death, absence, or disability of the chairman (and, if elected, a vice chairman of the board), the president, or in case of the president's death, absence, or disability, the vice president, if any, authorized to exercise the authority of the president, or a majority of the Board of Directors acting with or without a meeting and may not be called by any other person or persons, provided, that if and to the extent that any special meeting of stockholders may be called by any other person or persons specified in any provision of the certificate of incorporation or any amendment thereto or any certificate filed under Section 151(g) of the Delaware General Corporation Law (or its successor statute as in effect from time to time), then such special meeting may also be called by such person or persons. A special meeting shall be held only in the manner, at the times and for the purposes specified on the notice of meeting or at the meeting by the person or persons properly calling the meeting.

<u>Section 1.03. Place of Meetings</u>. Meetings of stockholders shall be held at the principal office of the corporation in the State of Ohio, unless the Board of Directors decides that a meeting shall be held at some other place and causes the notice thereof to so state.

Section 1.04. Notices of Meetings. Unless waived, a written, printed, typewritten, or electronically delivered notice of each annual or special meeting, stating the date, hour, and place and the purpose or purposes thereof shall be served upon, mailed, or delivered in any other manner permitted under Delaware law, including, but not limited to, electronic delivery, to each stockholder of record entitled to vote or entitled to notice, not more than 60 days nor less than 10 days before any such meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be directed to a stockholder at his or her address as the same appears on the records of the corporation. If a meeting is adjourned to another time or place and such adjournment is for 30 days or less and no new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, no further notice as to such adjourned meeting need be given if the time and place to which it is adjourned are fixed and announced at such meeting. In the event of a transfer of shares after notice has been given and prior to the holding of the meeting, it shall not be necessary to serve notice on the transferee. Such notice shall specify the place where the stockholders list will be open for examination prior to the meeting if required by Section 1.08 hereof.

Section 1.05. Fixing Date for Determination of Stockholders of Record. In order that the corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights, or entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any other change, conversion, or exchange of stock or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board of Directors may fix, in advance, a record date, which shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days before the date of such meeting, nor more than 60 days prior to any other action. If the Board shall not fix such a record date, (i) the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall be the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which notice is given, or, if notice is waived, at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held, and (ii) in any case involving the determination of stockholders for any purpose other than notice of or voting at a meeting of stockholders, the record date for determining stockholders for such purpose shall be the close of business on the day on which the Board of Directors shall adopt the resolution relating thereto. Determination of stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of such meeting; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.

Section 1.06. Organization. At each meeting of the stockholders, the chairman of the board, or in the chairman's absence, any vice chairman of the board, or in the absence of any vice chairman, the president, or, in the president, or, in the president, or, in the absence of the chairman of the board, any vice chairman of the board, the president, and any vice president, a chairman chosen by a majority in interest of the stockholders present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote, shall act as chairman, and the secretary of the corporation, or, if the secretary of the corporation not be present, the assistant secretary, or if the secretary and the assistant secretary not be present, any person whom the chairman of the meeting shall appoint, shall act as secretary of the meeting.

Section 1.07. Quorum. A stockholders' meeting duly called shall not be organized for the transaction of business unless a quorum is present. Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, the certificate of incorporation, these bylaws, or any certificate filed under Section 151 (g) of the Delaware General Corporation Law (or its successor statute as in effect from time to time), (i) at any meeting called by the Board of Directors, the presence in person or by proxy of holders of record entitling them to exercise at least one-third of the voting power of the corporation shall constitute a quorum for such meeting, and (ii) at any meeting called other than by the Board of Directors, the presence in person or by proxy of holders of record entitling them to exercise at least a majority of the voting power of the corporation shall constitute a quorum for such meeting. The stockholders present at a duly organized meeting can continue to do business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough stockholders to leave less than a quorum. If a meeting cannot be organized because a quorum has not attended, a majority in voting interest of the stockholders present may adjourn, or, in the absence of a decision by the majority, any officer entitled to preside at such meeting may adjourn the meeting from time to time to such time (not more than 30 days after the previously adjourned meeting) and place as they (or such officer) may determine, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting of the time and place of the adjourned meeting. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum is present any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called.

Section 1.08. List of Stockholders. The secretary of the corporation shall prepare and make a complete list of the stockholders of record as of the applicable record date entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each stockholder and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least 10 days prior to the meeting, either at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the notice of the meeting, or, if not so specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held. The list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any stockholder who is present.

<u>Section 1.09. Order of Business and Procedure</u>. The order of business at all meetings of the stockholders and all matters relating to the manner of conducting the meeting shall be determined by the chairman of the meeting. Meetings shall be conducted in a manner designed to accomplish the business of the meeting in a prompt and orderly fashion and to be fair and equitable to all stockholders, but it shall not be necessary to follow any manual of parliamentary procedure.

Section 1.10. Voting. (a) Each stockholder shall, at each meeting of the stockholders, be entitled to vote in person or by proxy each share or fractional share of the stock of the corporation having voting rights on the matter in question and which shall have been held by such person and registered in such person's name on the books of the corporation on the date fixed pursuant to Section 1.05 of these bylaws as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at such meeting.

- (b) Shares of its own stock belonging to the corporation or to another corporation, if a majority of the shares entitled to vote in the election of directors in such other corporation is held, directly or indirectly, by the corporation, shall neither be entitled to vote nor be counted for quorum purposes.
- Any such voting rights may be exercised by the stockholder entitled thereto or by such person's proxy appointed by an instrument in writing or in any other manner then permitted by law, subscribed by such person or such person's attorney thereunto authorized in any manner then permitted by law and delivered to the secretary of the meeting in sufficient time to permit the necessary examination and tabulation thereof before the vote is taken; provided, however, that no proxy shall be valid after the expiration of three years after its date of execution, unless the stockholder executing it shall have specified therein the length of time it is to continue in force. At any meeting of the stockholders all matters, except as otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation, in these bylaws, or by law, shall be decided by the vote of a majority in voting interest of the stockholders present in person or by proxy and voting thereon, a quorum being present. The vote at any meeting of the stockholders on any question need not be by ballot, unless so directed by the chairman of the meeting or required by the certificate of incorporation. On a vote by ballot, each ballot shall be signed by the stockholder voting, or by such person's proxy, if there be such proxy, and it shall state the number of shares voted.

<u>Section 1.11. Inspectors</u>. The Board of Directors, in advance of any meeting of the stockholders, may appoint one or more inspectors to act at the meeting. If inspectors

are not so appointed, the person presiding at the meeting may appoint one or more inspectors. If any person so appointed fails to appear or act, the vacancy may be filled by appointment made by the Board of Directors in advance of the meeting or at the meeting by the person presiding thereat. Each inspector, before entering upon the discharge of his or her duties, shall take and sign an oath faithfully to execute the duties of inspector at the meeting with strict impartiality and according to the best of such person's ability. The Inspectors so appointed shall determine the number of shares outstanding, the shares represented at the meeting, the existence of a quorum and the authenticity, validity, and effect of proxies and shall receive votes, ballots, waivers, releases, or consents, hear and determine all challenges and questions arising in connection with the right to vote, count and tabulate all votes, ballots, waivers, releases, or consents, determine and announce the results, and do such acts as are proper to conduct the election or vote with fairness to all stockholders. On request of the person presiding at the meeting, the inspectors shall make a report in writing of any challenge, question, or matter determined by them and execute a certificate of any fact found by them. Any report or certificate made by them shall be prima facie evidence of the facts stated and of the vote as certified by them.

Section 1.12. Notice of Business. At any meeting of the stockholders, only such business shall be conducted as shall have been brought before the meeting (a) by or at the direction of Board of Directors or such other person or persons authorized to present business to a meeting of stockholders in accordance with Section 1.02 of these bylaws or (b) by any stockholder of the corporation who is a stockholder of record at the time of giving of the notice provided for in this Section 1.12, who shall be entitled to vote at such meeting and who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 1.12; provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 1.12, (i) in the case of special meetings, the provisions of Section 1.02 shall govern and (ii) in the case of nominations of directors, the provisions of Section 2.04 shall govern. For business to be properly brought before a stockholder meeting by a stockholder, the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in writing to the secretary of the corporation. To be timely, a stockholder's notice shall be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the corporation not less than 60 days nor more than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting of stockholders; provided, that, (i) in the event that the date of the annual meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to such anniversary date or delayed more than 60 days after such anniversary date then to be timely such notice must be received by the corporation no later than the later of 70 days prior to the meeting or the 10<sup>th</sup> day following the day on which public announcement of the date of the meeting was made and (ii) a stockholder may deliver or mail the notice contemplated by this Section 1.12 prior to the time periods specified above if earlier delivery or mailing is required under Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act (as defined below), as such Rule may be amended from time to time. A stockholder's notice to the secretary s

- (a) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the meeting;
- (b) the name and address, as they appear on the corporation's books, of the stockholder proposing such business and any Stockholder Associated Person covered by clauses (c) and (d) below;

- (c) (i) the class and number of shares of the corporation which are held of record or are beneficially owned by such stockholder or by any Stockholder Associated Person with respect to the corporation's securities and (ii) any derivative positions held or beneficially held by the stockholder or by any Stockholder Associated Person and whether and the extent to which any hedging or other transaction or series of transactions has been entered into by or on behalf of, or any other agreement, arrangement or understanding has been made, the effect or intent of which is to increase or decrease the voting power of, such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person with respect to the corporation's securities; and
  - (d) any material interest of the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person in such business.

"Stockholder Associated Person" of any stockholder means (A) any person controlling, directly or indirectly, or acting in concert with, such stockholder, (B) any beneficial owner of shares of stock of the corporation owned of record or beneficially by such stockholder and (C) any person controlling, controlled by or under common control with such Stockholder Associated Person. The term "beneficially" held (or any similar term) includes direct or indirect holdings and has the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 (or any successor thereto) under the Exchange Act (as defined below).

Notwithstanding anything in the bylaws to the contrary, no business shall be conducted at a stockholder meeting except in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Article I. The chairman of the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that business was not properly brought before the meeting and in accordance with the provisions of the bylaws, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and any such business not properly brought before the meeting shall not be transacted. The provisions of this Section 1.12 are in addition to the applicable requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "Exchange Act"). Accordingly, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 1.12, a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 1.12.

#### ARTICLE II BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<u>Section 2.01. General Powers of Board</u>. The powers of the corporation shall be exercised, its business and affairs conducted, and its property controlled by the Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided by the law of Delaware or in the certificate of incorporation.

<u>Section 2.02. Number of Directors</u>. The number of directors of the corporation (exclusive of directors to be elected by the holders of any one or more series of Preferred Stock voting separately as a class or classes) shall not be less than 6 nor more than 15, the exact number of directors to be such number as may be set from time to time within the limits set forth above by resolution adopted by affirmative vote of a majority of the whole Board of Directors. As used in these Bylaws, the term "whole Board" means the total number of directors that the corporation would have if there were no vacancies.

#### Section 2.03. Election of Directors.

- 2.03.01. Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, each director shall be elected by the vote of a majority of the votes cast with respect to that director's election at any meeting for the election of directors at which a quorum is present. For purposes of this Section 2.03, a majority of votes cast means that the number of votes "for" a director's election must exceed 50% of the votes cast with respect to that director's election. Any "withhold" or "against" votes in a director's election will count as a vote cast, but "abstentions" will not count as a vote cast with respect to that director's election. In a contested election, the nominees receiving a plurality of the votes cast by holders of shares entitled to vote in the election at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be elected. A "contested election" is one in which, as of the last date by which stockholders may submit notice to nominate a person for election as a director pursuant to Section 2.04 of these bylaws, the number of nominees for any election of directors, exceeds the number of directors to be elected.
- 2.03.02. (a) In order for any incumbent director to become a nominee for further service on the Board of Directors, such person must submit an irrevocable resignation, which resignation shall become effective upon (i) that person not receiving a majority of the votes cast in an election that is not a contested election and (ii) acceptance by the Board of Directors of that resignation in accordance with any policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Directors for such purpose.
- (b) In order for any other person to become a nominee for service on the Board of Directors, such person must submit an irrevocable commitment that, if elected, such individual will tender, promptly upon such person's election, an irrevocable resignation, which resignation shall become effective upon (i) that person not receiving a majority of the votes cast in the next election that is not a contested election following such person's initial election to the Board of Directors and (ii) acceptance by the Board of Directors of that resignation in accordance with any policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Directors for such purpose.
- 2.03.03. In the event an incumbent director does not receive a majority of the votes cast with respect to that director's election at any meeting for the uncontested election of directors at which a quorum is present, the Board of Directors, acting on the recommendation of the Nominating and Governance Committee, shall no later than at its first regularly scheduled meeting following certification of the shareholder vote for the election of directors determine whether to accept the resignation of the incumbent director or whether to take other action.
- 2.03.04. The Nominating and Governance Committee, in making any such recommendation, and the Board of Directors, in making its determination, may consider any factors or other information that they believe appropriate and relevant.
- 2.03.05. If the Board of Directors determines to accept the resignation contemplated by Section 2.03.02 of a nominee, the Nominating and Governance Committee shall promptly either recommend a candidate to the Board of Directors to fill the office formerly held by such person or recommend a reduction in the size of the Board of Directors.

2.03.06. The Nominating and Governance Committee and the Board of Directors shall take the actions required under this Section 2.03 without the participation of any nominee whose resignation, as contemplated by Section 2.03.02, is under consideration, except that (i) if every member of the Nominating and Governance Committee is such a nominee, then a majority of the Board of Directors shall appoint a Board committee of independent directors for the purpose of considering the tendered resignations and making a recommendation to the Board of Directors whether to accept or reject them; and (ii) if the number of independent directors who are not such nominees is three or fewer, all directors may participate in the decisions under this Section 2.03. As used above, the term "independent director" shall mean a director who complies with the "independent director" requirements under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc.

2.03.07. If the Board of Directors accepts the resignation contemplated by Section 2.03.02 of any nominee, or if a nominee for director who is not an incumbent director does not receive more than 50% of the votes cast with respect to that director's election, then the Board of Directors may fill the resulting vacancy pursuant to Section 2.06 or may decrease the size of the Board of Directors pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.02.

#### Section 2.04. Nominations.

2.04.1. At any meeting of the stockholders, only persons who are nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in these bylaws shall be eligible to serve as directors. Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors of the corporation may be made at a meeting of stockholders (a) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors, (b) by or at the direction of the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board of Directors or (c) by any stockholder of the corporation who is a stockholder of record at the time of giving of notice provided for in this Section 2.04, who shall be entitled to vote for the election of directors at the meeting and who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 2.04; provided that, (i) notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of Section 2.04, in the case of special meetings, the provisions of Section 1.02 shall govern and (ii) all nominees must comply with the requirements of Section 2.03.02 (in addition to all other applicable requirements). Such nominations, other than those made by or at the direction of the Board of Directors or its Nominating and Governance Committee, shall be made pursuant to timely notice in writing to the secretary of the corporation. To be timely, a stockholder's notice shall be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the corporation not less than 60 days nor more than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting of stockholders; provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to such anniversary date or delayed more than 60 days after such anniversary date then to be timely such notice must be received by the corporation no later than the later of 70 days prior to the date of the meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of the meeting was made. Each such notice shall set forth (i) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each

the stockholder giving the notice or any Stockholder Associated Person and (B) any derivative positions held or beneficially held by the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person and whether and the extent to which any hedging or other transaction or series of transactions has been entered into by or on behalf of, or any other agreement, arrangement or understanding has been made, the effect or intent of which is to increase or decrease the voting power of such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person with respect to the corporation's securities.

Notwithstanding anything in the bylaws to the contrary, no nomination for the election of directors shall be made except in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.04. The provisions of this Section 2.04 are in addition to the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act. Accordingly, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.04, a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 2.04.

2.04.2. Notice of nominations that are proposed by the Board of Directors or its nominating committee shall be given by the chairman of the meeting.

2.04.3. The chairman of the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a nomination was not properly brought before the meeting and in accordance with the provisions of the bylaws, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and any such nomination not properly brought before the meeting shall not be given effect.

<u>Section 2.05. Resignations</u>. Any director of the corporation may resign at any time by giving written notice to the chairman of the board or the secretary of the corporation. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

<u>Section 2.06. Vacancies</u>. In the event that any vacancy shall occur in the Board of Directors, whether because of death, resignation, removal, newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors, the failure of the stockholders to elect the whole authorized number of directors, or any other reason, such vacancy may be filled by the vote of a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum. A director elected to fill a vacancy, other than a newly created directorship, shall hold office for the unexpired term of such director's predecessor.

Section 2.07. Removal of Directors. Directors may be removed only as provided in the certificate of incorporation.

<u>Section 2.08. Place of Meeting, etc.</u> The Board of Directors may hold any of its meetings at the principal office of the corporation or at such other place or places as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate. Directors may participate in any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment pursuant to which all persons participating in the meeting of the Board of Directors can hear each other and such participation shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

Section 2.09. Annual Meeting. A regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held each year at the same place as and immediately after the annual

meeting of stockholders, or at such other place and time as shall theretofore have been determined by the Board of Directors, and notice thereof need not be given. At its regular annual meeting the Board of Directors shall organize itself and elect the officers of the corporation for the ensuing year, and it may transact any other business.

<u>Section 2.10. Regular Meetings</u>. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at such intervals and at such times as shall from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors. After such determination and notice thereof has been once given to each person then a member of the Board of Directors, regular meetings may be held at such intervals and time and place without further notice being given.

<u>Section 2.11. Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Board of Directors or by the chief executive officer or by a majority of directors then in office to be held on such day and at such time as shall be specified by the person or persons calling the meeting.

Section 2.12. Notice of Meetings. Notice of each special meeting or, where required, each regular meeting, of the Board of Directors shall be given to each director either by being mailed on at least the third day prior to the date of the meeting or by being delivered electronically or given personally or by telephone on at least 24 hours notice prior to the date of meeting. Such notice shall specify the place, date, and hour of the meeting and, if it is for a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called. At any meeting of the Board of Directors at which every director shall be present, even though without such notice, any business may be transacted. Any acts or proceedings taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors not validly called or constituted may be made valid and fully effective by ratification at a subsequent meeting which shall be legally and validly called or constituted. Notice of any regular meeting of the Board of Directors need not state the purpose of the meeting and, at any regular meeting duly held, any business may be transacted. If the notice of a special meeting shall state as a purpose of the meeting the transaction of any business that may come before the meeting, then at the meeting any business may be transacted, whether or not referred to in the notice thereof. A written waiver of notice of a special or regular meeting, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed the equivalent of such notice, and attendance of a director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting except when the director attends the meeting and prior to or at the commencement of such meeting protests the lack of proper notice.

<u>Section 2.13. Quorum and Voting</u>. At all meetings of the Board of Directors, the presence of a majority of the directors then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Except as otherwise required by law, the certificate of incorporation, or these bylaws, the vote of a majority of the directors present at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors. At all meetings of the Board of Directors, each director shall have one vote.

Section 2.14. Committees. The Board of Directors may appoint an executive committee and any other committee of the Board of Directors, to consist of one or more directors of the corporation, and may delegate to any such committee any of the authority of the Board of Directors, however conferred, other than the power or authority in reference to amending the certificate of incorporation, adopting an agreement of merger or consolidation, recommending to the stockholders the sale, lease, or exchange of all or

substantially all of the corporation's property and assets, recommending to the stockholders a dissolution of the corporation or a revocation of a dissolution, or amending the bylaws of the corporation. Each such committee shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors, shall act only in the intervals between meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall be subject to the control and direction of the Board of Directors. Any such committee may act by a majority of its members at a meeting or by a writing or writings signed by all of its members. Any such committee shall keep written minutes of its meetings and report the same to the Board of Directors at the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 2.15. Compensation. The Board of Directors may, by resolution passed by a majority of those in office, fix the compensation of directors for service in any capacity and may fix fees for attendance at meetings and may authorize the corporation to pay the traveling and other expenses of directors incident to their attendance at meetings, or may delegate such authority to a committee of the board.

<u>Section 2.16. Action by Consent</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the board or any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting if a written consent thereto is signed by all members of the board or of such committee, as the case may be, and such written consent is filed with the minutes of proceedings of the board or such committee.

#### ARTICLE III OFFICERS

<u>Section 3.01. General Provisions</u>. The officers of the corporation shall include the following: a chairman of the board (who shall be a director); if elected, a vice chairman of the board (who shall be a director); a president; such number of vice presidents as the board may from time to time determine; a secretary; and a treasurer. Any person may hold any two or more offices and perform the duties thereof, except the offices of chairman of the board and vice chairman of the board, or the offices of president and vice president.

<u>Section 3.02. Election, Terms of Office, and Qualification</u>. The officers of the corporation named in Section 3.01 of this Article III shall be elected by the Board of Directors for an indeterminate term and shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

Section 3.03. Additional Officers, Agents, etc. In addition to the officers mentioned in Section 3.01 of this Article III, the corporation may have such other officers or agents as the Board of Directors may deem necessary and may appoint, each of whom or each member of which shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as may be provided in these bylaws or as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. The Board of Directors may delegate to any officer the power to appoint any subordinate officers or agents. In the absence of any officer of the corporation, or for any other reason the Board of Directors may deem sufficient, the Board of Directors may delegate, for the time being, any or all of the powers and duties of such officer to any other officer or to any director.

<u>Section 3.04. Removal</u>. Any officer of the corporation may be removed, either with or without cause, at any time, by resolution adopted by the Board of Directors at any

meeting, the notice (or waivers of notice) of which shall have specified that such removal action was to be considered. Any officer appointed not by the Board of Directors but by an officer or committee to which the Board of Directors shall have delegated the power of appointment may be removed, with or without cause, by the committee or superior officer (including successors) who made the appointment or by any committee or officer upon whom such power of removal may be conferred by the Board of Directors.

<u>Section 3.05. Resignations</u>. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, or to the chairman of the board, the vice chairman of the board, the president, or the secretary of the corporation. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

<u>Section 3.06. Vacancies.</u> A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise shall be filled in the manner prescribed in these bylaws for regular appointments or elections to such office.

## ARTICLE IV DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 4.01. The Chairman of the Board. The chairman of the board shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall have general supervision over the property, business, and affairs of the corporation and over its several officers, subject, however, to the control of the Board of Directors. The chairman shall, if present, preside at all meetings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors. The chairman may sign, with the secretary, treasurer, or any other proper officer of the corporation thereunto authorized by the Board of Directors, certificates for shares in the corporation. The chairman may sign, execute, and deliver in the name of the corporation all deeds, mortgages, bonds, leases, contracts, or other instruments, either when specially authorized by the Board of Directors or when required or deemed necessary or advisable by the chairman in the ordinary conduct of the corporation's normal business, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by these bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation or shall be required by law or otherwise to be signed or executed by some other officer or agent, and the chairman may cause the seal of the corporation, if any, to be affixed to any instrument requiring the same.

Section 4.02. Vice Chairman of the Board. If an individual is elected to such office, the vice chairman of the board shall perform such duties as are conferred upon such person by these bylaws or as may from time to time be assigned to such person by the chairman of the board or the Board of Directors. The authority of any vice chairman of the board to sign in the name of the corporation all certificates for shares and deeds, mortgages, leases, bonds, contracts, notes, and other instruments shall be coordinated with like authority of the chairman of the board. In the absence or disability of the chairman of the board, a vice chairman of the board designated by the Board of Directors shall perform all the duties of the chairman of the board, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of the chairman of the board.

Section 4.03. The President. The president shall perform such duties as are conferred upon such officer by these bylaws or as may from time to time be assigned to

such officer by the chairman of the board or any vice chairman of the board or the Board of Directors.

<u>Section 4.04. Vice Presidents</u>. The vice presidents shall perform such duties as are conferred upon them by these bylaws or as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the chairman of the board, any vice chairman of the board or the president. At the request of the chairman of the board, in the absence or disability of the president, a, vice president designated by the chairman of the board shall perform all the duties of the president, and when so acting, shall have all of the powers of the president.

Section 4.05. The Treasurer. The treasurer shall be the custodian of all funds and securities of the corporation. Whenever so directed by the Board of Directors, the treasurer shall render a statement of the cash and other accounts of the corporation, and the treasurer shall cause to be entered regularly in the books and records of the corporation to be kept for such purpose full and accurate accounts of the corporation's receipts and disbursements. The treasurer shall have such other powers and shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to such officer by the Board of Directors, the chairman of the board, or any vice chairman of the board.

Section 4.06. The Secretary. The secretary shall record and keep the minutes of all meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors in a book to be kept for that purpose. The secretary shall be the custodian of, and shall make or cause to be made the proper entries in, the minute book of the corporation and such other books and records as the Board of Directors may direct. The secretary shall be the custodian of the seal of the corporation, if any, and shall affix such seal to such contracts, instruments, and other documents as the Board of Directors or any committee thereof may direct. The secretary shall have such other powers and shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to such officer by the Board of Directors, the chairman of the board, or any vice chairman of the board.

## ARTICLE V INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Section 5.01. Indemnification. The corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, by reason of the fact that such person, or such person's testator or intestate, is or was a director or officer of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, or as a member of any committee or similar body against all expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, penalties, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit, or proceeding (including appeals) or the defense or settlement thereof or any claim, issue, or matter therein, to the fullest extent permitted by the laws of Delaware as they may exist from time to time.

<u>Section 5.02.</u> Insurance. The proper officers of the corporation, without further authorization by the Board of Directors, may in their discretion purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer,

employee, or agent for another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, against any liability.

Section 5.03. ERISA. To assure indemnification under this Article of all such persons who are or were "fiduciaries" of an employee benefit plan governed by the Act of Congress entitled "Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974", as amended from time to time, the provisions of this Article V shall, for the purposes hereof, be interpreted as follows: an "other enterprise" shall be deemed to include an employee benefit plan; the corporation shall be deemed to have requested a person to serve as an employee of an employee benefit plan where the performance by such person of duties to the corporation also imposes duties on, or otherwise involves services by, such person to the plan or participants or beneficiaries of the plan; excise taxes assessed on a person with respect to an employee benefit plan pursuant to said Act of Congress shall be deemed "fines"; and action taken or omitted by a person with respect to an employee benefit plan in the performance of such person's duties for a purpose reasonably believed by such person to be in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan shall be deemed to be for a purpose which is not opposed to the best interests of the corporation.

<u>Section 5.04. Contractual Nature</u>. The foregoing provisions of this Article V shall be deemed to be a contract between the corporation and each director and officer who serves in such capacity at any time while this Section is in effect, and any repeal or modification thereof shall not affect any rights or obligations then existing with respect to any state of facts then or theretofore existing or any action, suit, or proceeding theretofore or thereafter brought based in whole or in part upon any such state of facts.

Section 5.05. Construction. For the purposes of this Article V, references to "the corporation" include in addition to the resulting corporation, any constituent corporation (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed in a consolidation or merger which, if its separate existence had continued, would have had power and authority to indemnify its directors, officers, employees or agents, so that any person who is or was a director or officer of such constituent corporation or is or was serving at the request of such constituent corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, or as a member of any committee or similar body, shall stand in the same position under the provisions of this Article with respect to the resulting or surviving corporation as such person would have with respect to such constituent corporation, if its separate existence had continued.

<u>Section 5.06. Non-Exclusive</u>. The corporation may indemnify, or agree to indemnify, any person against any liabilities and expenses and pay any expenses, including attorneys' fees, in, advance of final disposition of any action, suit, or proceeding, under any circumstances, if such indemnification and/or payment is approved by the vote of the stockholders or of the disinterested directors, or is, in the opinion of independent legal counsel selected by the Board of Directors, to be made on behalf of an indemnitee who acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation.

### ARTICLE VI DEPOSITORIES, CONTRACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Section 6.01. Depositories. The chairman of the board, any vice chairman of the board, the president, the treasurer, and any vice president of the corporation whom the Board of Directors authorizes to designate depositories for the funds of the corporation are each authorized to designate depositories for the funds of the corporation deposited in its name and the signatories and conditions with respect thereto in each case, and from time to time to change such depositories, signatories, and conditions with the same force and effect as if each such depository, signatory, and condition with respect thereto and changes therein had been specifically designated or authorized by the Board of Directors; and each depository designated by the Board of Directors or by the chairman of the board, any vice chairman of the board, the president, the treasurer, or any vice president of the corporation, shall be entitled to rely upon the certificate of the secretary or any assistant secretary of the corporation setting forth the fact of such designation and of the appointment of the officers of the corporation or of both or of other persons who are to be signatories with respect to the withdrawal of funds deposited with such depository, or from time to time the fact of any change in any depository or in the signatories with respect thereto.

Section 6.02. Execution of Instruments Generally. In addition to the powers conferred upon the chairman of the board in Section 4.01 and any vice chairman of the board in Section 4.02 and except as otherwise provided in Section 6.01 of this Article VI, all contracts and other Instruments entered into in the ordinary course of business requiring execution by the corporation may be executed and delivered by the president, the treasurer, or any vice president, and authority to sign any such contracts or instruments, which may be general or confined to specific instances, may be conferred by the Board of Directors upon any other person or persons. Any person having authority to sign on behalf of the corporation may delegate, from time to time, by instrument in writing, all or any part of such authority to any person or persons if authorized so to do by the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE VII SHARES AND THEIR TRANSFER

Section 7.01. Certificates for Shares, Uncertificated Shares. The shares of the corporation shall be represented by certificates, provided that the Board of Directors of the corporation may provide by resolution or resolutions that some or all of any or all classes or series of its stock shall be uncertificated shares. Any such resolution shall not apply to shares represented by a certificate until such certificate is surrendered to the corporation. Except as otherwise provided by law, the rights and obligations of the holders of uncertificated shares and the rights and obligations of the holders of shares represented by certificates of the same class and series shall be identical. Every owner of one or more shares in the corporation shall be entitled to a certificate, which shall be in such form as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, certifying the number and class of shares in the corporation owned by such person. When such certificate is counter-signed by an incorporated transfer agent or registrar, the signature of any of said officers may be facsimile, engraved, stamped, or printed. The certificates for the respective classes of such shares shall be numbered in the order in which they shall be issued and shall be signed in the name of the corporation by the chairman of the board or any vice chairman of the board, or the president or a vice president, and by the secretary or an assistant

secretary or the treasurer or an assistant treasurer. A record shall be kept of the name of the person, corporation, or other entity owning shares, whether represented by certificates or in uncertificated form, including, in the case of shares represented by certificates, the number of shares represented thereby, the date thereof, and in case of cancellation, the date of cancellation. Every certificate surrendered to the corporation for exchange or transfer shall be cancelled, and no new certificate or certificates (or shares in uncertificated form) shall be issued in exchange for any existing certificates until such existing certificates shall have been so cancelled.

Section 7.02. Lost, Destroyed and Mutilated Certificates. If any certificates for shares in this corporation become worn, defaced, or mutilated but are still substantially intact and recognizable, the directors, upon production and surrender thereof, shall order the same cancelled and, unless the shares are thereafter to be held in uncertificated form, shall issue a new certificate in lieu of same. The holder of any shares in the corporation shall immediately notify the corporation if a certificate therefore shall be lost, destroyed, or mutilated beyond recognition, and the corporation may issue a new certificate in the place of any certificate theretofore issued by it which is alleged to have been lost or destroyed or mutilated beyond recognition, and the Board of Directors may, in its discretion, require the owner of the certificate which has been lost, destroyed, or mutilated beyond recognition, or such owner's legal representative, to give the corporation a bond in such sum and with such surety or sureties as it may direct, not exceeding double the value of the stock, to indemnify the corporation against any claim that may be made against it on account of the alleged loss, destruction, or mutilation of any such certificate.

The Board of Directors may, however, in its discretion, refuse to issue any such new certificate except pursuant to legal proceedings under the laws of the State of Delaware.

Section 7.03. Transfers of Shares. Transfers of shares in the corporation shall be made only on the books of the corporation by the registered holder thereof, such person's legal guardian, executor, or administrator, or by such person's attorney thereunto authorized by power of attorney duly executed and filed with the secretary of the corporation or with a transfer agent appointed by the Board of Directors, and (i) in the case of certificated shares, on surrender of the certificate or certificates for such shares properly endorsed or accompanied by properly executed stock powers and (ii) in the case of uncertificated shares, upon compliance with appropriate procedures for transferring shares in uncertificated form established by the corporation. In addition, no transfer shall be effected unless the corporation has received appropriate evidence of the payment of all taxes imposed upon such transfer. The person in whose name shares stand on the books of the corporation shall, to the full extent permitted by law, be deemed the owner thereof for all purposes as regards the corporation.

<u>Section 7.04. Regulations</u>. The Board of Directors may make such rules and regulations as it may deem expedient but not inconsistent with these bylaws concerning the issue, transfer, and registration of certificated or uncertificated shares in the corporation. It may appoint one or more transfer agents or one or more registrars, or both, and may require all certificates for shares to bear the signature of either or both.

## ARTICLE VIII SECURITIES OF OTHER CORPORATIONS

Unless otherwise directed by the Board of Directors, the chairman of the board, any vice chairman, the president, and any vice president of the corporation shall have the power to vote and otherwise act on behalf of the corporation, in person or by proxy, at any meeting, or with respect to any action, of stockholders of any other corporation. In which this corporation may hold securities and otherwise to exercise any and all rights and powers which this corporation may possess by reason of its ownership of securities in such other corporation.

ARTICLE IX SEAL

The Board of Directors may provide a corporate seal, which shall be circular and shall contain the name of the corporation engraved around the margin, the words "corporate seal", the year of its organization, and the word "Delaware".