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SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of Texas, hereby certifies that the attached Articles of Merger of

BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF TEXAS, INC.

a Texas non-profit corporation

with

HEALTH CARE SERVICE CORPORATION, A MUTUAL LEGAL RESERVE COMPANY

a Illinois no permit entity

have been received in this office and are found to conform to law. ACCORDINGLY, the undersigned, as Secretary of State, and by virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary by law, hereby issues this Certificate of Merger.

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Secretary of State



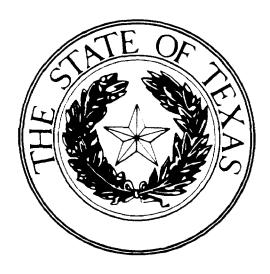
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ARTICLES OF MERGER

DECEMBER 8, 1998



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused to be impressed hereon the Seal of State at my office in the City of Austin, on February 22, 1999.

> Elton Bomer Secretary of State

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ARTICLES OF MERGER OF HEALTH CARE SERVICE CORPORATION, A MUTUAL LEGAL

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AN ILLINOIS CORPORATION, AND BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF TEXAS, Secretary of State of Texas

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A TEXAS CORPORATION

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 5.07 of the Texas Non-Profit Business Corporation Act, the undersigned corporations adopt the following Articles of Merger for the purpose of merging Blue

Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, Inc. into Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company, d/b/a BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois:

1. The names of the undersigned corporations and the State under the laws of which they are respectively organized are:

NAME OF CORPORATION

STATE

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, Inc. Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company, d/b/a BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois

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- 2. The laws of the State under which such foreign corporation is organized permit such Merger.
- 3. The name of the surviving corporation is Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company, d/b/a BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois, and it is to be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois.
- 4. The Amended Plan and Agreement of Merger is attached hereto and was approved by the undersigned domestic corporation in the manner prescribed by the laws of the State under which it is organized.
- 5. As to the undersigned domestic corporation, the Amended Plan and Agreement of Merger was adopted in the following manner:
 - The Amended Plan and Agreement of Merger was adopted at a meeting of the board of directors held on April 26, 1996, and received the vote of a majority of the directors in office, there being no members having voting rights in respect thereof.
- 6. Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company, d/b/a BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois, the surviving corporation, hereby: (a) agrees that it may be served

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by process in the State of Texas in any proceeding for the enforcement of any obligation of the undersigned domestic corporation; and (b) irrevocably appoints the Secretary of State of Texas as its agent to accept service of process in any such proceeding.

7. The Amended Plan and Agreement of Merger has been approved by the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Texas and the Director of Insurance of the State of Illinois in the manner prescribed by the laws of their respective States.

Dated: December 3, 1998.

BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF TEXAS, INC.

By: null olimant, President

And Jan (. Perkins, Secretary

HEALTH CARE SERVICE CORPORATION, A MUTUAL LEGAL RESERVE COMPANY d/b/a BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF ILLINOIS

By: Kagnow Y Carley, President

By: Shan lan Vherbergon, Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF DALLAS

Before me, a notary public, on this day personally appeared Dr. Rogers K. Coleman, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document and, being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein contained are true and correct.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 3rd day of Dicember, 1998

MARILYN RICKMAN NOTARY PUBLIC State of Texas Comm Exp 02-63-01

Notary Public, State of Texas

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COUNTY OF COOK

Before me, a notary public, on this day personally appeared Raymond F. McCaskey, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document and, being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein contained are true and correct.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 34 day of

Notary Public, State of Illinois

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