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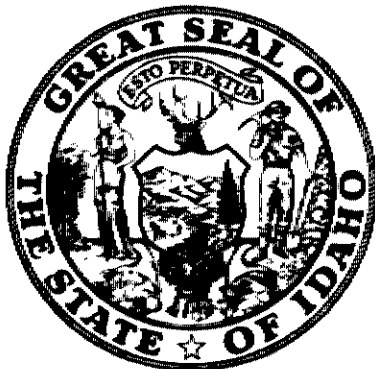
**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
OF**

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

I, PETE T. CENARRUSA, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho, hereby certify that duplicate originals of an Application of **COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION** for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in this State, duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of the Idaho Business Corporation Act, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I issue this Certificate of Authority to **COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION** to transact business in this State under the name **COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION** and attach hereto a duplicate original of the Application for such Certificate.

Dated June 27, 1988



Pete T. Cenarrusa

SECRETARY OF STATE

Angie E. [Signature]
Corporation Clerk

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(Profit Corporation)

To the Secretary of State of Idaho

Pursuant to Section 30-1-110, Idaho Code, the undersigned Corporation hereby applies for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in your State, and for that purpose submits the following statement:

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1. The name of the corporation is Costco Wholesale Corporation

2. The name which it shall use in Idaho is Costco Wholesale Corporation

(To be used only when required to avoid a conflict with a name already on file. Must be accompanied by a Board of Directors resolution adopting assumed name in Idaho.)

3. It is incorporated under the laws of Washington

4. The date of its incorporation is May 12, 1987 and the period of its duration is perpetual

5. The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is 10809 120th Avenue N.E., Kirkland, Washington 98033

6. The address to which correspondence should be addressed, if different from that in item 5. P.O. Box 97077, Kirkland, Washington 98083-9777

7. The street address of its proposed registered office in Idaho is CT Corporation System, 300 North 6th St., Boise, Idaho 83701, and the name of its proposed registered agent in Idaho at that address is CT Corporation System

8. The purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Idaho are: Wholesale/retail merchandising through membership warehouse.

9. The names and respective addresses of its directors and officers are:

Name	Office	Address
<u>Jeffrey H. Brotman</u>	<u>Chairman of Board</u>	<u>10809 120th Avenue N.E.</u>
	<u>Chief Executive Officer</u>	<u>Kirkland, WA 98033</u>
<u>James D. Sinegal</u>	<u>President, Chief Operating</u>	<u>10809 120th Avenue N.E.</u>
	<u>Officer, Director</u>	<u>Kirkland, WA 98033</u>
<u>Richard A. Galanti</u>	<u>Senior Vice President, Chief</u>	<u>10809 120th Avenue N.E.</u>
	<u>Financial Officer, Treasurer</u>	<u>Kirkland, WA 98033</u>
<u>Michael D. Anderton</u>	<u>Vice President,</u>	<u>10809 120th Avenue N.E.</u>
	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Kirkland, WA 98033</u>
<u>Richard D. DiCerchio</u>	<u>Executive Vice President -</u>	<u>10809 120th Avenue N.E.</u>
	<u>Merchandising, Director</u>	<u>Kirkland, WA 98033</u>
<u>John W. Meisenbach</u>	<u>Director</u>	<u>1010 Washington Bldg.</u>
		<u>Seattle, WA 98101</u>

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Name	Office	Address
Frederick O. Paulsell, Jr.	Director	1111 3rd Avenue, Ste. 2205 Seattle, WA 98101
Ralph R. Shaw	Director	851 S.W. 6th Ave., Ste. 800 Portland, OR 97204
David Pulver	Director	Three Isolde Court Pine Brook, NJ 97058
Girard de Ganay	Director	One Harmon Meadow Blvd. Secaucus, NJ 07094

10. The corporation accepts and shall comply with the provisions of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Idaho.
11. This Application is accompanied by a certificate of Corporate Status or Existence, duly authenticated by the proper officer of the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated.

Dated: June 15, 1988

Costco Wholesale Corporation
(Corporation Name)

By [Signature]
Its President / Vice President (please specify)
and [Signature]
Its Secretary / Assistant Secretary (please specify)

STATE OF Washington)
) ss:
COUNTY OF King)

I, Janet M. Anthony, a notary public, do hereby certify that on this 15th day of June, 19 88, personally appeared before me Richard A. Galanti and Michael D. Anderton, who being by me first duly sworn, declared that ~~that~~ they are ~~in the~~ Senior Vice President and Secretary of Costco Wholesale Corporation

they that ~~the~~ signed the foregoing document as officers of the corporation and that the statements therein contained are true.

[Signature]
Notary Public



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STATE of WASHINGTON SECRETARY of STATE

I, **Ralph Munro**, Secretary of State of the State of Washington and custodian of its seal, hereby certify that, according to records on file in this office, as of the date of this certificate,

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

is a **Washington Profit** corporation,

duly authorized to transact business or conduct affairs as a corporation in the State of Washington.

Date: June 17, 1988

Corporation Number: 601 024 674

Date of Incorporation
or Qualification: May 12, 1987

Given under my hand and the seal of the State
of Washington, at Olympia, the State Capitol.

Ralph Munro, Secretary of State

T. Snyder