

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

National Vision, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Georgia

(State of Incorporation or Organization)

58-1910859

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification no.)

296 Grayson Highway, Lawrenceville, Georgia

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

30045

(Zip Code)

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction (A).(c), please check the following box. ☒

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), please check the following box. ☐

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates:

N/A  
(If applicable)

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class  
to be so Registered

Common Stock

Common Stock Purchase Rights

Name of Each Exchange on Which  
Each Class is to be Registered

American Stock Exchange

American Stock Exchange

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

(Title of Class)

(Title of Class)

**Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities To Be Registered.**

The description of the Common Stock contained under the heading "Common Stock" in the Registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A, filed under Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, filed on March 25, 1992, including all amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating such description are hereby incorporated by reference.

The description of the Common Stock Purchase Rights contained in the Registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A, filed under Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, Commission File Number 000-20001 filed on January 17, 1997, including all amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating such description are hereby incorporated by reference.

**Item 2. Exhibits.**

3.1 Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation as amended.

3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws, incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1, registration number 33-46645, filed with the Commission on March 25, 1992, and amendments thereto.

4.1 Form of Common Stock Certificate of the Registrant.

10.1 Rights Agreement between the Registrant and Wachovia Bank of North Carolina, N.A. (together with the exhibits, including the Form of Board Resolutions Establishing and Designating Preferred Stock, Form of Rights Certificate, and Summary Description of the Shareholder Rights Plan), incorporated by reference to the Registrant's registration statement on Form 8A, Commission File Number 000-20001 filed on January 17, 1997.

10.2 Amendment to Rights Agreement dated as of March 1, 1998, between the Registrant and Wachovia Bank of North Carolina, N.A., incorporated by reference to the Registrant's amended registration statement on Form 8A, Commission File Number 000-20001 filed on March 24, 1998.

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

**NATIONAL VISION, INC.**

By: */s/ Mitchell Goodman*

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Name: Mitchell Goodman

Title: Sr. Vice President and General Counsel

Date: August 9, 2001

AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
NATIONAL VISION ASSOCIATES, LTD.

I.

The name of the Corporation is National Vision Associates, Ltd.

II.

The Corporation shall have authority to issue 100 million shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), and 5 million shares of preferred stock, \$1.00 par value per share (the "Preferred Stock").

Subject to the provisions of any applicable law or of the By-Laws of the Corporation (as from time to time amended) with respect to fixing the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to vote, and except as otherwise provided by any applicable law or by the resolution or resolutions of the Board of Directors providing for the issue of any series of Preferred Stock, the holders of the Common Stock shall have and possess exclusive voting power and rights for the election of directors and for all other purposes, with each share being entitled to one vote.

The Board of Directors is hereby expressly authorized to issue, at any time and from time to time, shares of Preferred Stock in one or more series. The number of shares within any such series shall be designated by the Board of Directors in one or more resolutions, and the shares of each series so designated shall have such preferences with respect to the Common Stock and other series of Preferred Stock, and such other rights, restrictions or limitations with respect to voting, dividends, conversion, exchange, redemption and any other matters, as may be set forth in one or more resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors. If and to the extent required by law, Articles of Amendment setting forth any such designation, preferences, rights, restrictions or limitations shall be filed with the Georgia Secretary of State prior to the issuance of any shares of such series.

The authority of the Board of Directors with respect to the establishment of each series of Preferred Stock shall include, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, determination of the following matters which may vary between series:

(a) The number of shares constituting that series and the distinctive designation of that series;

(b) The dividend rate on the shares of that series, whether dividends shall be cumulative, and, if so, from which date or dates, and the relative rights of priority, if any, of payments of dividends on shares of that series;

(c) Whether that series shall have voting rights, in addition to the voting rights provided by law, and, if so, the terms of such voting rights;

(d) Whether that series shall have conversion privileges, and, if so, the terms and conditions of such conversion, including provisions for adjustment of the conversion rate in such events as the Board of Directors shall determine;

(e) Whether the shares of that series shall be redeemable, and, if so, the terms and conditions of such redemption, including the date or dates upon or after which they shall be redeemable, and the amount per share payable in case of redemption, which amount may vary under different conditions;

(f) Whether that series shall have a sinking fund for the redemption or purchase of shares of that series, and, if so, the terms and amount of such sinking fund;

(g) The rights of the shares of that series in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the corporation, and the relative rights of priority, if any, of payment of shares of that series; and

(h) Any other relative preferences, rights, restrictions or

limitations of that series, including but not limited to any obligations of the Corporation to repurchase shares of that series upon specified events.

III.

In addition to any other vote provided for by law, by these Articles of the By-Laws of the Corporation or by the Board of Directors, the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the votes cast by the holders of shares of Common Stock at any meeting of shareholders shall be required to approve any matter, other than the election of directors, which is expressly required to be submitted to the holders of the shares of Common Stock for approval pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Business Corporation Code.

IV.

No director of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for breach of his duty of care or other duty as a director, provided that this provision shall eliminate or limit the liability of a director only to the extent permitted from time to time by the Georgia Business Corporation Code or any successor law or laws.

V.

In discharging the duties of their respective positions and in determining what is believed to be in the best interests of the Corporation, the Board of Directors, committees of the Board of Directors and individual directors, in addition to considering the effects of any action on the Corporation or the shareholders, may consider the interests of the employees, customers, suppliers, and creditors of the Corporation and its subsidiaries, the communities in which offices or other establishments of the Corporation and its subsidiaries are located, and all other factors the directors consider pertinent.

VI.

The mailing address of the principal office of the Corporation shall be 100 Galleria Parkway, Suite 1875, Atlanta, Georgia 30339.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation to be executed by its duly authorized officer on the 8th day of April, 1992.

NATIONAL VISION ASSOCIATES, LTD.  
/s/ G. Daniel Siewert  
G. Daniel Siewert, III  
President

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT  
TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
NATIONAL VISION ASSOCIATES, LTD.

1.

The name of the Corporation is National Vision Associates, Ltd.

2.

The Articles of Incorporation are amended by the addition of a new Article VII as follows:

VII.

Section 1. Designation and Number of Shares. The shares of such series shall be designated as "Series A Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock" (the "Series A Preferred Stock"), and the number of shares constituting such series shall be 500,000. Such number of shares of the Series A Preferred Stock may be increased or decreased by resolution of the Board of Directors; provided, however, that no decrease shall reduce the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock to a

number less than the number of shares then outstanding plus the number of shares issuable upon exercise or conversion of outstanding rights, options or other securities issued by the Corporation.

## Section 2. Dividends and Distributions.

(A) Subject to the prior and superior rights of the holders of any shares of any series of Preferred Stock ranking prior and superior to the shares of Series A Preferred Stock with respect to dividends, if any, the holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors out of funds legally available for the purpose, quarterly dividends payable on the last day of March, June, September and December of each year (each such date being referred to herein as a "Quarterly Dividend Payment Date"), commencing on the first Quarterly Dividend Payment Date after the first issuance of any share or fraction of a share of Series A Preferred Stock, in an amount per share (rounded to the nearest cent) equal to the greater of (a) \$1.00 and (b) subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth, 100 times the aggregate per share amount (payable in kind) of all cash dividends or other distributions and 100 times the aggregate per share amount of all non-cash dividends or other distributions (other than (i) a dividend payable in shares of Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, of the Corporation (the "Common Stock") or (ii) a subdivision of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise)), declared on the Common Stock since the immediately preceding Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, or, with respect to the first Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, since the first issuance of any share or fraction of a share of Series A Preferred Stock. If the Corporation shall at any time after January 27, 1997 (the "Rights Declaration Date") declare or pay any dividend on Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock or effect a subdivision or combination or consolidation of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or

otherwise) into a greater or lesser number of shares of Common Stock, then in each such case the amount to which holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock were entitled immediately prior to such event under clause (b) of the preceding sentence shall be adjusted by multiplying such amount by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

(B) The Corporation shall declare a dividend or distribution on the Series A Preferred Stock as provided in Section 2(A) immediately after it declares a dividend or distribution on the Common Stock (other than as described in clauses (i) and (ii) of the first sentence of Section 2(A)); provided, however, that if no dividend or distribution shall have been declared on the Common Stock during the period between any Quarterly Dividend Payment Date and the next subsequent Quarterly Dividend Payment Date (or, with respect to the first Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, the period between the first issuance of any share or fraction of a share of Series A Preferred Stock and such first Quarterly Dividend Payment Date), a dividend of \$1.00 per share on the Series A Preferred Stock shall nevertheless be payable on such subsequent Quarterly Dividend Payment Date.

(C) Dividends shall begin to accrue and be cumulative on outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock from the Quarterly Dividend Payment Date next preceding the date of issue of such shares of Series A Preferred Stock, unless the date of issue of such shares is on or before the record date for the first Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, in which case dividends on such shares shall begin to accrue and be cumulative from the date of issue of such shares, or unless the date of issue is a date after the record date for the determination of holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock entitled to receive a quarterly dividend and on or before such Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, in which case dividends shall begin to accrue and be cumulative from such Quarterly Dividend Payment Date. Accrued but unpaid dividends shall not bear interest. Dividends paid on shares of Series A Preferred Stock in an amount less than the total amount of such dividends at the time accrued and payable on such shares shall be allocated pro rata on a share-by-share basis among all such shares at the time outstanding. The Board of Directors may fix a record date for the determination of holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock entitled to receive payment of a dividend or distribution declared thereon, which record date shall not be more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for the payment thereof.

Section 3. Voting Rights. In addition to any other voting rights required by law, the holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall have the following voting rights:

(A) Subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth, each share of Series A Preferred Stock shall entitle the holder thereof to 100 votes on all matters submitted to a vote of shareholders of the Corporation. If the Corporation shall at any time after the Rights Declaration Date declare or pay any dividend on Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock or effect a subdivision or combination or consolidation of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by

reclassification or otherwise) into a greater or lesser number of shares of Common Stock, then in each such case the number of votes per share to which holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock were entitled immediately prior to such event shall be adjusted by multiplying such number by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

(B) Except as otherwise provided herein or by law, the holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock and the holders of shares of Common Stock shall vote together as a single class on all matters submitted to a vote of shareholders of the Corporation.

(C) (i) If at any time dividends on any Series A Preferred Stock shall be in arrears in an amount equal to six quarterly dividends thereon (whether or not consecutive), the occurrence of such contingency shall mark the beginning of a period (herein called a "default period") which shall extend until such time when all accrued and unpaid dividends for all previous quarterly dividend periods and for the current quarterly dividend period on all shares of Series A Preferred Stock then outstanding shall have been declared and paid or set apart for payment. During each default period, all holders of Series A Preferred Stock and any other series of Preferred Stock then entitled as a class to elect directors, voting together as a single class, irrespective of series, shall have the right to elect one Director.

(ii) During any default period, such voting right of the holders of Series A Preferred Stock may be exercised initially at a special meeting called pursuant to Section 3(C)(iii) or at any annual meeting of shareholders, and thereafter at annual meetings of shareholders; provided, however, that neither such voting right nor the right of the holders of any other series of Preferred Stock, if any, to increase, in certain cases, the authorized number of Directors shall be exercised unless the holders of 10% in number of shares of Preferred Stock outstanding shall be present in person or by proxy. The absence of a quorum of holders of Common Stock shall not affect the exercise by holders of Preferred Stock of such voting right. At any meeting at which holders of Preferred Stock shall exercise such voting right initially during an existing default period, they shall have the right, voting as a class, to elect Directors to fill such vacancy, if any, in the Board of Directors as may then exist up to one Director or, if such right is exercised at an annual meeting, to elect one Director. If the number which may be so elected at any special meeting does not amount to the required number, the holders of the Preferred Stock shall have the right to make such increase in the number of Directors as shall be necessary to permit the election by them of the required number. After the holders of the Preferred Stock shall have exercised their right to elect Directors in any default period and during the continuance of such period, the number of Directors shall not be increased or decreased except by vote of the holders of Preferred Stock as herein provided or pursuant to the rights of any equity securities ranking senior to or pari passu with the Series A Preferred Stock.

(iii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, unless the holders of Preferred Stock shall, during an existing default period, have previously exercised their right to elect Directors, the Board of Directors may order, or any shareholder(s) owning in the aggregate not less than ten percent (10%) of the total number of shares of Preferred Stock outstanding, irrespective of series, may request, the calling of a special meeting of holders of Preferred Stock, which meeting shall thereupon be called by the President, a Vice President or the Secretary of the Corporation. Notice of such meeting and of any annual meeting at which holders of Preferred Stock are entitled to vote pursuant to this Section 3(C)(iii) shall be given to each holder of record of Preferred Stock by mailing a copy of such notice to him at his last address as the same appears on the books of the Corporation. Such meeting shall be called for a time not earlier than 20 days and not later than 60 days after such order or request or, in default of the calling of such meeting within 60 days after such order or request, such meeting may be called on similar notice by any shareholder(s) owning in the aggregate not less than ten percent (10%) of the total number of shares of Preferred Stock outstanding, irrespective of series. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 3(C)(iii), no such special meeting shall be called during the period within 60 days immediately preceding the date fixed for the next annual meeting of shareholders.

(iv) In any default period, the holders of Common Stock, and other classes of stock of the Corporation if applicable, shall continue to be entitled to elect the whole number of Directors until the holders of Preferred Stock shall have exercised their right to elect one Director voting as a class, after the exercise of which right (x) the Directors so elected by the holders of Preferred Stock shall continue in office until their successors shall have been elected by such holders or until the expiration of the default period, and (y) any vacancy in the Board of Directors may (except as provided in Section 3(C)(ii)) be filled by vote of a majority of the remaining Directors theretofore elected by the holders of the class of stock which elected the Director whose office shall have become vacant. References in this Section 3(C) to Directors elected by the holders of a particular class of stock shall include Directors elected by such Directors to fill vacancies as provided in clause (y) of the foregoing sentence.

(v) Immediately upon the expiration of a default period, (x) the right of the holders of Preferred Stock as a class to elect Directors shall cease, (y) the term of any Directors elected by the holders of Preferred Stock as a class shall terminate, and (z) the number of Directors shall be such number as may be provided for in the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws irrespective of any increase made pursuant to the provisions of Section 3(C)(ii) (such number being subject, however, to change thereafter in any manner provided by law or in the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws). Any vacancies in the Board of Directors effected by the provisions of clauses (y) and (z) in the preceding sentence may be filled by a majority of the remaining Directors.

(D) Except as otherwise provided herein, holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall have no special voting rights, and



their consent shall not be required (except to the extent they are entitled to vote with holders of Common Stock as set forth herein) for taking any corporate action.

#### Section 4. Certain Restrictions.

(A) Whenever quarterly dividends or other dividends or distributions payable on the Series A Preferred Stock as provided in Section 2 are in arrears, thereafter and until all accrued and unpaid dividends and distributions, whether or not declared, on outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall have been paid in full, the Corporation shall not:

(i) declare or pay dividends on, or make any other distributions on, any shares of stock ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) to the Series A Preferred Stock;

(ii) declare or pay dividends on, or make any other distributions on, any shares of stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series A Preferred Stock, except dividends paid ratably on the Series A Preferred Stock and all such other parity stock on which dividends are payable or in arrears in proportion to the total amounts to which the holders of all such shares are then entitled;

(iii) redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire for value any shares of stock ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) to the Series A Preferred Stock; provided, however, that the Corporation may at any time redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire shares of any such junior stock in exchange for shares of stock of the Corporation ranking junior (as to dividends and upon dissolution, liquidation or winding up) to the Series A Preferred Stock; or

(iv) redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire for value any shares of Series A Preferred Stock, or any shares of stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series A Preferred Stock, except in accordance with a purchase offer made in writing or by publication (as determined by the Board of Directors) to all holders of Series A Preferred Stock and all such other parity stock upon such terms as the Board of Directors, after consideration of the respective annual dividend rates and other relative rights and preferences of the respective series and classes, shall determine in good faith will result in fair and equitable treatment among the respective series or classes.

(B) The Corporation shall not permit any subsidiary of the Corporation to purchase or otherwise acquire for value any shares of stock of the Corporation unless the Corporation could, under Section 4(A), purchase or otherwise acquire such shares at such time and in such manner.

Section 5. Reacquired Shares. Any shares of Series A Preferred Stock redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired by the

Corporation in any manner whatsoever shall be retired and canceled promptly after the acquisition thereof. All such shares shall upon their cancellation become authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock without designation as to series and may be reissued as part of a new series of Preferred Stock to be created by resolution or resolutions of the Board of Directors as permitted by the Articles of Incorporation or as otherwise permitted under Georgia law.

Section 6. Liquidation, Dissolution or Winding Up.

Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, no distribution shall be made (1) to the holders of shares of stock ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) to the Series A Preferred Stock unless, prior thereto, the holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall have received \$1.00 per share, plus an amount equal to accrued and unpaid dividends and distributions thereon, whether or not declared, to the date of such payment; provided, however, that the holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive an aggregate amount per share, subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth, equal to 100 times the aggregate amount to be distributed per share to holders of Common Stock, or (2) to the holders of stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series A Preferred Stock, except distributions made ratably on the Series A Preferred Stock and all such other parity stock in proportion to the total amounts to which the holders of all such shares are entitled upon such liquidation, dissolution or winding up. If the Corporation shall at any time after the Rights Declaration Date pay any dividend on Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock or effect a subdivision or combination or consolidation of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise) into a greater or lesser number of shares of Common Stock, then in each such case the aggregate amount to which holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock were entitled immediately prior to such event under the proviso in clause (1) of the preceding sentence shall be adjusted by multiplying such amount by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

Section 7. Consolidation or Merger. If the

Corporation shall enter into any consolidation, merger, combination or other transaction in which the shares of Common Stock are exchanged for or changed into other stock or securities, cash or any other property, then in any such case the shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall at the same time be similarly exchanged for or changed into an amount per share, subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth, equal to 100 times the aggregate amount of stock, securities, cash or any other property, as the case may be, into which or for which each share of Common Stock is exchanged or changed. If the Corporation shall at any time after the Rights Declaration Date pay any dividend on Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock or effect a subdivision or combination or consolidation of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise) into a greater or lesser number of shares of Common Stock, then in each such case the amount set forth in the preceding sentence with respect to the exchange or change of

shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be adjusted by multiplying such amount by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

Section 8. No Redemption. The Series A Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable.

Section 9. Rank. The Series A Preferred Stock shall rank junior (as to dividends and upon liquidation, dissolution and winding up) to all other series of the Corporation's preferred stock, except any series that specifically provides that such series shall rank junior to the Series A Preferred Stock.

Section 10. Fractional Shares. Series A Preferred Stock may be issued in fractions of a share which shall entitle the holder, in proportion to such holder's fractional shares, to exercise voting rights, receive dividends, participate in distributions and to have the benefit of all other rights of holders of Series A Preferred Stock.

Section 11. Amendment. The Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation shall not be further amended in any manner which would materially alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of the Series A Preferred Stock so as to affect them adversely without the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority or more of the outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class.

3.

This amendment was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation on January 17, 1997, and in accordance with the Code and the Corporation's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, no action of the Corporation's shareholders was required.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be executed by its duly authorized officer this 17th day of January, 1997.

NATIONAL VISION ASSOCIATES, LTD.  
By: /s/ James W. Krause  
James W. Krause, President

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO THE  
AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES  
OF INCORPORATION OF  
NATIONAL VISION ASSOCIATES, LTD.

I.

The name of the Corporation is National Vision Associates, Ltd.

II.

Article I of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation is amended to read as follows:

The name of the Corporation is Vista Eyecare, Inc.

III.

The changes in the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation shall be effective upon the filing of these Articles of Amendment with the Georgia Secretary of State.

IV.

This amendment was duly approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation on October 20, 1998, without necessitating approval by the shareholders of the Corporation, as authorized under Section 14-2-1002 of the Georgia Business Corporation Code, in accordance with (a) the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation as they existed prior to these Articles of Amendment, and (b) the bylaws of the Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be executed and attested by its duly authorized officer on December 31, 1998.

NATIONAL VISION ASSOCIATES, LTD.

By: /s/ James W. Krause  
James W. Krause, Chairman of the Board

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO THE  
AMENDED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
VISTA EYECARE, INC.

I.

The name of the Corporation is Vista Eyecare, Inc.

II.

Article I of the Amended Articles of Incorporation is amended to read as follows:

The name of the Corporation is National Vision, Inc.

III.

The changes in the Amended Articles of Incorporation shall be effective upon the filing of these Articles of Amendment with the Georgia Secretary of State.

IV.

This amendment was duly approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation on May 14, 2001, without necessitating approval by the shareholders of the Corporation, as authorized under Section 14-2-1002 of the Georgia Business Corporation Code, in accordance with (a) the Amended Articles of Incorporation as they existed prior to these Articles of Amendment, and (b) the bylaws of the Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be executed and attested by its duly authorized officer on May 17, 2001.

VISTA EYECARE, INC.

By: /s/ Mitchell Goodman

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Mitchell Goodman, Senior Vice President

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO THE  
AMENDED AND RESTATED  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
NATIONAL VISION, INC.

1.

The name of the corporation is National Vision, Inc. (formerly known as Vista Eyecare, Inc. and hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation").

2. The Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation are hereby amended to decrease the number of authorized shares of the Corporation's Common Stock by deleting the number "100 million" in the first paragraph of Article II and replacing it with the number "10 million."

3.

The amendment was duly approved by that certain Order Confirming First Amended Joint Plan of Reorganization Under Chapter 11, Title 11, United States Code Filed by Vista Eyecare, Inc. and certain of its Debtor Subsidiaries and First Amended Joint Plan of Reorganization under Chapter 11, Title 11, United States Code, Filed by Frame-N-Lens Optical, Inc.; Midwest Vision, Inc.; New West Eyeworks, Inc.; and certain of their Debtor Subsidiaries dated May 18, 2001, and issued by the United States Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division (the "Confirmation Order").

4.

The Confirmation Order was entered in connection with the voluntary Chapter 11 Petitions filed by the Corporation and certain of its debtor subsidiaries with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division on April 5, 2000.

5.

The United States Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division has jurisdiction of the Chapter 11 proceedings of the Corporation and certain of its debtor subsidiaries under Chapter 11, Title 11, United States Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be executed by its duly authorized officer, this 6th day of June, 2001.

NATIONAL VISION, INC.

By /s/ Mitchell Goodman

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Mitchell Goodman, Secretary

Number  
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**NATIONAL VISION INC.**  
Common Stock

INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS  
OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

**SHARES**  
\_\_\_\_\_

SEE REVERSE FOR CERTAIN  
DEFINITIONS

THIS CERTIFIES THAT \_\_\_\_\_

Is the owner of \_\_\_\_\_

FULLY PAID AND NON-ASSESSABLE SHARES OF THE PAR VALUE OF ONE CENT (\$.01) EACH OF THE  
COMMON STOCK OF

**NATIONAL VISION, INC.**

*transferable in person or by duly authorized attorney on the books of the Corporation upon surrender of this certificate properly  
endorsed. This certificate and the shares represented hereby are subject to all the terms, conditions and limitations of the Articles of  
Incorporation and all amendments thereto. This certificate is not valid unless countersigned by the Transfer Agent and registered  
by the Registrar.*

*WITNESS the facsimile seal of the Corporation and the facsimile signatures of its duly authorized officers.*

Dated:

/s/ James W. Krause  
CHAIRMAN

NATIONAL VISION, INC.  
CORPORATE SEAL  
1990  
GEORGIA

COUNTERSIGNED AND REGISTERED:

**FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK**  
(CHARLOTTE, NC)

TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRAR

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

/s/ Mitchell Goodman  
SECRETARY

*(back of certificate)*

**NATIONAL VISION, INC.**

The following abbreviations, when used in the Inscription on the face of this certificate, shall be construed as through they were written out in full  
according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM — as tenants in common

UNIF GIFT MIN ACT — .....Custodian.....

TEN ENT — as tenants by the entireties  
JT TEN — as joint tenants with the right of  
Survivorship and not as tenants  
in common

UNIF TRF MIN ACT — (Cust) (Minor)  
under Uniform Gifts to Minors  
Act.....  
(State)  
.....Custodian.....  
(Cust)  
.....under Uniform Transfers  
(Minor)  
to Minors Act.....  
(State)

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list.

For value received, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby sell, assign and transfer unto

PLEASE INSERT SOCIAL SECURITY OR OTHER  
IDENTIFYING NUMBER OF ASSIGNEE

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPEWRITE NAME AND ADDRESS

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\_\_\_\_\_  
*Shares of the capital stock represented by the  
within Certificate, and do hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney to transfer the said stock on the books of the within-  
named Corporation with full power of substitution in the premises.*

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

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NOTICE: \_\_\_\_\_

THE SIGNATURE TO THIS ASSIGMENT MUST CORRESPOND  
WITH THE NAME AS WRITTEN UPON THE FACE OF THE  
CERTIFCATE IN EVERY PARTICULAR, WITHOUT ALTERATION  
OR ENLARGEMENT OR ANY CHANGE WHATEVER.

SIGNATURE(S) GUARANTEED: THE SIGNATURE(S) SHOULD BE GUARANTEED BY AN  
ELIGIBLE GUARANTOR INSTITUTION (BANKS,  
STOCKBROKERS,  
SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS AND CREDIT UNIONS  
WITH  
MEMBERSHIP IN AN APPROVED SIGNATURE GUARANTEE  
MEDALLION PROGRAM), PURSUANT TO S.E.C. RULE 17A-15.

KEEP THIS CERTIFICATE IN A SAFE PLACE. IF IT IS LOST, STOLEN, MUTILATED OR DESTROYED, THE CORPORATION WILL REQUIRE A BOND OF INDEMNITY AS A  
CONDITION TO THE ISSUANCE OF A REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATE.





This certificate also evidences certain Rights as set forth in a Rights Agreement between National Vision, Inc. and First Union National Bank dated as of January 17, 1997, as amended (the "Rights Agreement"), the terms of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference and a copy of which is on file at the principal office of the Company. The Company will mail to the holder of this certificate a copy of the Rights Agreement without charge promptly after receipt of a written request therefore. Under certain circumstances, as set forth in the Rights Agreement, such Rights may be evidenced by separate certificates and no longer be evidenced by this certificate, may be redeemed or exchanged or may expire. As set forth in the Rights Agreement, Rights issued to, or held by, any Person who is, was or becomes an Acquiring Person or an Affiliate or Associate thereof (as such terms are defined in the Rights Agreement), whether currently held by or on behalf of such Person or by an subsequent holder, may be null and void.