

ASSOCIATES OF VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, INC.

REQUEST FOR CHANGE – BYLAWS

(See instructions – page One)

Date: January 2017

Name: Bylaws committee

State/Chapter: _____

Email/Phone: librnok@hotmail.com

Article #: Article IV Section #(s): 4.02 Other Article(s) Affected: _____

CURRENT LANGUAGE

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

AMENDED BYLAW

Each region of the Corporation may elect a Director to represent them on the Board of Directors. The candidate must be a regular member in good standing, and actively participate in a chapter within the region they want to represent. Each Regional Director shall be elected by ballot at the National Convention by the voting delegates, in the odd numbered years. Each director shall hold office for a term of two years, or until their successor has been elected.

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JUSTIFICATION FOR CHANGE: (To be filled in by submitting party).

Rationale: An election is to be held every two years. If the person holding the position wants to run again, they may, but, if they opt not to run the position becomes open. This also ensures a term limit.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE USE ONLY:

COMMITTEE COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommend Passage as written: ("X" in appropriate box)

NO:

YES:

Recommend Passage With the Following Changes in Language:

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Date: January 2017

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State/Chapter: _____

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Article #: Article 4 Section #(s): 4.03 Other Article(s) Affected: _____

CURRENT LANGUAGE

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

AMENDED BYLAW

Each region of the Corporation may elect a Deputy Regional Director to represent them on the Board of Directors, in the absence of the Regional Director. The candidate must be a regular member in good standing, and actively participate in a chapter within the region they want to represent. Each Deputy Regional Director shall be elected by ballot at the National Convention by the voting delegates, in the odd numbered years. Each Deputy Regional Director shall hold office for a term of two years, or until their successor has been elected.

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JUSTIFICATION FOR CHANGE: (To be filled in by submitting party).

Rationale: An election is to be held every two years. If the person holding the position wants to run again, they may, but, if they opt not to run the position becomes open. This also provides for term limits.

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Date: October 2016

Name: Bylaws Committee

State/Chapter: _____

Email/Phone: librnok@hotmail.com

Article #: Article V Section #(s): 5.03 Other Article(s) Affected: _____

CURRENT LANGUAGE

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

AMENED BYLAW

Section 5.03 Term of Office and Office Holding Limitations. Each officer shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successor is elected. The term of office shall begin at the announcement of the election results. No member shall hold more than one office at a time.

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JUSTIFICATION FOR CHANGE: (To be filled in by submitting party).

Rationale: An election is to be held every two years. If the person holding the position wants to run again, they may. But, if they opt not to run, the position becomes open.

Rationale: This eliminates confusion of newly elected officers trying to assume their role in the middle of the session.

Rationale: A person may hold offices at different levels of the organization but only one office at a time at the National level

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REQUEST FOR CHANGE – BYLAWS

(See instructions – page One)

Date: November 2016

Name: Bylaws committee

State/Chapter: _____

Email/Phone: _____

Article #: VII Section #(s): 7.02 Other Article(s) Affected: _____

CURRENT LANGUAGE

PROPOSED REVISIONS

REVISED BYLAW

Section 7.02 Incorporated State Associations. A state Association of the Corporation may be established in all states or legal U.S. territories. Every state Association is required to be incorporated as a nonprofit 501(c)(4) corporation. Each state Association shall adopt its own rules and regulations in accordance with the Bylaws established by the Corporation. Incorporated states must meet annual financial requirements to retain their charter. Elected Chapter Representatives or Presidents, and the At-Large Representative shall elect state officers.

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Rationale: The need for alternates had not been addressed in the previous revision.

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Date: 11/4/16

Name: Bylaws committee

State/Chapter: _____

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Article #: VII Section #(s): 7.03 Other Article(s) Affected: _____

CURRENT LANGUAGE

PROPOSED REVISIONS

REVISED BYLAW

Each state with At-Large members may elect a representative. The At-Large representative has one vote at state level meetings and is a delegate of record to the National Convention. The delegate to the National Convention must register with the National Election Committee and be registered for the convention.

Each state with At-Large Members may elect a representative **to speak for them. This election process will be conducted through the postal service, due to the remoteness of the At-Large Members.** ~~due to the remoteness of the At-Large Members.~~ **If only one candidate volunteers for this election, an exception to the Bylaws requiring a ballot for all elections will be made and no further mailings will be necessary. the election process will be considered complete without a ballot.** The at-large representative, **or appointed alternate**, has one vote at state level meetings and is the delegate of record to the national convention. The delegate **and/or alternate** to the national convention must **be registered** with the National Election Committee and be registered for the convention.

Section 7.03 At-Large Representative. Each state with At-Large Members may elect a representative to speak for them. This election process will be conducted through the postal service, due to the remoteness of the At-Large Members. If only one candidate volunteers for this election, an exception to the Bylaws requiring a ballot for all elections will be made and no further mailings will be necessary. the election process will be considered complete without a ballot. The at-large representative, o appointed alternate, has one vote at state level meetings and is the delegate of record to the national convention. The delegate and/or alternate to the national convention must be registered with the National Election Committee and be registered for the convention.

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Robert's rules of Order states that exceptions to being present for voting must be stated in the bylaws.
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Name: Bylaws Committee

State/Chapter: _____

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Article #: Article VII Section #(s): 7.04 Other Article(s) Affected: _____

CURRENT LANGUAGE

PROPOSED REVISIONS

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Section 7.04 Delegate of Record. Each state will be allowed one voting delegate to represent the state at the national meetings of the Corporation. The delegate for each state shall be the Representative or President, or their alternate. The delegate to the National Convention must register with the National Election Committee and be registered for the convention.

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Article #: VIII Section #(s): 8.04 Other Article(s) Affected: _____

CURRENT LANGUAGE

PROPOSED REVISIONS

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Section 8.04 Delegate of Record. Each chapter will be allowed one voting delegate, elected to represent the chapter at the National Convention of the Corporation and at state level meetings. The delegate for each chapter shall be the Representative or President, or their designated alternate. The delegate to the National Convention must register with the National Election Committee and be registered for the convention.

Section 8.04 Delegate of Record. Each chapter will be allowed one voting delegate, elected to represent the chapter at the national convention of the Corporation and at state level meetings. The delegate for each chapter shall be the representative, ~~or~~ president, or their ~~designated~~ **appointed** alternate. The delegate **and/or the appointed alternate** to the national convention must **be** registered with the National Election Committee and be registered for the convention.

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