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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United*
 2 *States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. TITLE 36, UNITED STATES CODE.**

4 *Certain general and permanent laws of the United States, related to patri-*
 5 *otic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, are revised,*
 6 *codified, and enacted as title 36, United States Code, “Patriotic and National*
 7 *Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations”, as follows:*

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 9 **OBSERVANCES, CEREMONIES, AND**
 10 **ORGANIZATIONS**

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1 **§101. American Heart Month**

2 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

3 (1) *designating February as American Heart Month;*

4 (2) *inviting the chief executive officers of the States, territories, and*
5 *possessions of the United States to issue proclamations designating Feb-*
6 *ruary as American Heart Month; and*

7 (3) *urging the people of the United States to recognize the nationwide*
8 *problem of heart and blood vessel diseases and to support all essential*
9 *programs required to solve the problem.*

10 **§102. Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month**

11 (i) *DESIGNATION.—May is Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month.*

12 (ii) *PROCLAMATIONS.—The President is requested to issue each year a pro-*
13 *clamation calling on the people of the United States, and the chief executive*
14 *officers of each State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Virgin*
15 *Islands, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Is-*
16 *lands, the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, and Palau are requested to issue each*
17 *year proclamations calling on the people of their respective jurisdictions, to*
18 *observe Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month with appropriate programs,*
19 *ceremonies, and activities.*

20 **§103. Cancer Control Month**

21 (i) *GENERAL.—The President is requested—*

22 (1) *to issue each year a proclamation designating April as Cancer*
23 *Control Month; and*

1 (2) to invite each year the chief executive officers of the States, terri-
2 tories, and possessions of the United States to issue proclamations des-
3 ignating April as Cancer Control Month.

4 (b) CONTENTS OF PROCLAMATIONS.—As part of those proclamations, the
5 chief executive officers and President are requested to invite the medical pro-
6 fession, the press, and all agencies and individuals interested in a national
7 program for the control of cancer by education and other cooperative means
8 to unite during Cancer Control Month in a public dedication to the program
9 and in a concerted effort to make the people of the United States aware of
10 the need for the program.

11 **§ 104. Carl Garner Federal Lands Cleanup Day**

12 (a) DESIGNATION.—The first Saturday after Labor Day is Carl Garner
13 Federal Lands Cleanup Day.

14 (b) PROCLAMATION.—The President shall issue a proclamation calling on
15 the people of the United States to observe Carl Garner Federal Lands Cleanup
16 Day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities. However, activi-
17 ties may be undertaken in individual States on a day other than the first
18 Saturday after Labor Day if a manager of Federal land decides that an alter-
19 native date is more appropriate because of climatological or other factors.

20 **§ 105. Child Health Day**

21 The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—

22 (1) designating the first Monday in October as Child Health Day; and

23 (2) inviting all agencies and organizations interested in child welfare
24 to unite on Child Health Day in observing exercises that will make the
25 people of the United States aware of the fundamental necessity of a year-
26 round program to protect and develop the health of the children of the
27 United States.

28 **§ 106. Citizenship Day**

29 (a) DESIGNATION.—September 17 is Citizenship Day.

30 (b) PURPOSE.—Citizenship Day commemorates the formation and signing
31 on September 17, 1787, of the Constitution and recognizes all who, by coming
32 of age or by naturalization, have become citizens.

33 (c) PROCLAMATION.—The President may issue each year a proclamation
34 calling on United States Government officials to display the flag of the United
35 States on all Government buildings on Citizenship Day and inviting the peo-
36 ple of the United States to observe Citizenship Day, in schools and churches,
37 or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies.

38 (d) STATE AND LOCAL OBSERVANCES.—The civil and educational authori-
39 ties of States, counties, cities, and towns are urged to make plans for the
40 proper observance of Citizenship Day and for the complete instruction of citi-

1 *zens in their responsibilities and opportunities as citizens of the United States*
 2 *and of the State and locality in which they reside.*

3 **§ 107. Columbus Day**

4 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

5 (1) *designating the 2d Monday in October as Columbus Day;*

6 (2) *calling on United States Government officials to display the flag*
 7 *of the United States on all Government buildings on Columbus Day; and*

8 (3) *inviting the people of the United States to observe Columbus Day,*
 9 *in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate cere-*
 10 *monies that express the public sentiment befitting the anniversary of the*
 11 *discovery of America.*

12 **§ 108. Constitution Week**

13 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

14 (1) *designating September 17–September 23 as Constitution Week; and*

15 (2) *inviting the people of the United States to observe Constitution*
 16 *Week, in schools, churches, and other suitable places, with appropriate*
 17 *ceremonies and activities.*

18 **§ 109. Father's Day**

19 (a) *DESIGNATION.—The 3d Sunday in June is Father's Day.*

20 (b) *PROCLAMATION.—The President is requested to issue a proclamation—*

21 (1) *calling on United States Government officials to display the flag*
 22 *of the United States on all Government buildings on Father's Day;*

23 (2) *inviting State and local governments and the people of the United*
 24 *States to observe Father's Day with appropriate ceremonies; and*

25 (3) *urging the people of the United States to offer public and private*
 26 *expressions of Father's Day to the abiding love and gratitude they have*
 27 *for their fathers.*

28 **§ 110. Flag Day**

29 (a) *DESIGNATION.—June 14 is Flag Day.*

30 (b) *PROCLAMATION.—The President is requested to issue each year a pro-*
 31 *clamation—*

32 (1) *calling on United States Government officials to display the flag*
 33 *of the United States on all Government buildings on Flag Day; and*

34 (2) *urging the people of the United States to observe Flag Day as the*
 35 *anniversary of the adoption on June 14, 1777, by the Continental Con-*
 36 *gress of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States.*

37 **§ 111. Gold Star Mother's Day**

38 (a) *DESIGNATION.—The last Sunday in September is Gold Star Mother's*
 39 *Day.*

40 (b) *PROCLAMATION.—The President is requested to issue a proclamation*
 41 *calling on United States Government officials to display the flag of the United*

1 *States on all Government buildings, and the people of the United States to*
 2 *display the flag and hold appropriate meetings at homes, churches, or other*
 3 *suitable places, on Gold Star Mother's Day as a public expression of the love,*
 4 *sorrow, and reverence of the people for Gold Star Mothers.*

5 **§ 112. Honor America Days**

6 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*The 21 days from Flag Day through Independence Day*
 7 *is a period to honor America.*

8 (b) *CONGRESSIONAL DECLARATION.*—*Congress declares that there be public*
 9 *gatherings and activities during that period at which the people of the United*
 10 *States can celebrate and honor their country in an appropriate way.*

11 **§ 113. Law Day, U.S.A.**

12 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*May 1 is Law Day, U.S.A.*

13 (b) *PURPOSE.*—*Law Day, U.S.A., is a special day of celebration by the*
 14 *people of the United States—*

15 (1) *in appreciation of their liberties and the reaffirmation of their loy-*
 16 *alty to the United States and of their rededication to the ideals of equal-*
 17 *ity and justice under law in their relations with each other and with*
 18 *other countries; and*

19 (2) *for the cultivation of the respect for law that is so vital to the*
 20 *democratic way of life.*

21 (c) *PROCLAMATION.*—*The President is requested to issue a proclamation—*

22 (1) *calling on all public officials to display the flag of the United*
 23 *States on all government buildings on Law Day, U.S.A.; and*

24 (2) *inviting the people of the United States to observe Law Day,*
 25 *U.S.A., with appropriate ceremonies and in other appropriate ways,*
 26 *through public entities and private organizations and in schools and*
 27 *other suitable places.*

28 **§ 114. Leif Erikson Day**

29 *The President may issue each year a proclamation designating October 9*
 30 *as Leif Erikson Day.*

31 **§ 115. Loyalty Day**

32 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*May 1 is Loyalty Day.*

33 (b) *PURPOSE.*—*Loyalty Day is a special day for the reaffirmation of loy-*
 34 *alty to the United States and for the recognition of the heritage of American*
 35 *freedom.*

36 (c) *PROCLAMATION.*—*The President is requested to issue a proclamation—*

37 (1) *calling on United States Government officials to display the flag*
 38 *of the United States on all Government buildings on Loyalty Day; and*

39 (2) *inviting the people of the United States to observe Loyalty Day*
 40 *with appropriate ceremonies in schools and other suitable places.*

1 **§ 116. Memorial Day**

2 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*The last Monday in May is Memorial Day.*

3 (b) *PROCLAMATION.*—*The President is requested to issue each year a pro-*
4 *clamation—*

5 (1) *calling on the people of the United States to observe Memorial Day*
6 *by praying, according to their individual religious faith, for permanent*
7 *peace;*

8 (2) *designating a period of time on Memorial Day during which the*
9 *people may unite in prayer for a permanent peace;*

10 (3) *calling on the people of the United States to unite in prayer at*
11 *that time; and*

12 (4) *calling on the media to join in observing Memorial Day and the*
13 *period of prayer.*

14 **§ 117. Mother's Day**

15 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*The 2d Sunday in May is Mother's Day.*

16 (b) *PROCLAMATION.*—*The President is requested to issue a proclamation*
17 *calling on United States Government officials to display the flag of the United*
18 *States on all Government buildings, and on the people of the United States*
19 *to display the flag at their homes or other suitable places, on Mother's Day*
20 *as a public expression of love and reverence for the mothers of the United*
21 *States.*

22 **§ 118. National Aviation Day**

23 *The President may issue each year a proclamation—*

24 (1) *designating August 19 as National Aviation Day;*

25 (2) *calling on United States Government officials to display the flag*
26 *of the United States on all Government buildings on National Aviation*
27 *Day; and*

28 (3) *inviting the people of the United States to observe National Avia-*
29 *tion Day with appropriate exercises to further stimulate interest in avia-*
30 *tion in the United States.*

31 **§ 119. National Day of Prayer**

32 *The President shall issue each year a proclamation designating the first*
33 *Thursday in May as a National Day of Prayer on which the people of the*
34 *United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation at churches, in*
35 *groups, and as individuals.*

36 **§ 120. National Defense Transportation Day**

37 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

38 (1) *designating the 3d Friday in May as National Defense Transpor-*
39 *tation Day; and*

40 (2) *urging the people of the United States, including labor, manage-*
41 *ment, users, and investors, in all communities served by the various*

1 *forms of transportation to observe National Defense Transportation Day*
 2 *by appropriate ceremonies that will give complete recognition to the im-*
 3 *portance to each community and its people of the transportation system*
 4 *of the United States and the maintenance of the facilities of the system*
 5 *in the most modern state of adequacy to serve the needs of the United*
 6 *States in times of peace and in national defense.*

7 **§ 121. National Disability Employment Awareness Month**

8 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*October is National Disability Employment Awareness*
 9 *Month.*

10 (b) *CEREMONIES.*—*Appropriate ceremonies shall be held throughout the*
 11 *United States during National Disability Employment Awareness Month to*
 12 *enlist public support for, and interest in, the employment of workers with dis-*
 13 *abilities who are otherwise qualified. Governors, mayors, heads of other gov-*
 14 *ernmental entities, and interested organizations and individuals are invited*
 15 *to participate in the ceremonies.*

16 (c) *PROCLAMATION.*—*The President is requested to issue each year a suit-*
 17 *able proclamation.*

18 **§ 122. National Flag Week**

19 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

20 (1) *designating the week in which June 14 falls as National Flag*
 21 *Week; and*

22 (2) *calling on citizens to display the flag of the United States during*
 23 *National Flag Week.*

24 **§ 123. National Forest Products Week**

25 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*The week beginning on the 3d Sunday in October is*
 26 *National Forest Products Week.*

27 (b) *PROCLAMATION.*—*The President is requested to issue each year a pro-*
 28 *clamation calling on the people of the United States to observe National Forest*
 29 *Products Week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.*

30 **§ 124. National Freedom Day**

31 *The President may issue each year a proclamation designating February*
 32 *1 as National Freedom Day to commemorate the signing by Abraham Lincoln*
 33 *on February 1, 1865, of the joint resolution adopted by the Senate and the*
 34 *House of Representatives that proposed the 13th amendment to the Constitu-*
 35 *tion.*

36 **§ 125. National Grandparents Day**

37 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

38 (1) *designating the first Sunday in September after Labor Day as Na-*
 39 *tional Grandparents Day; and*

1 (2) *calling on the people of the United States and interested groups*
 2 *and organizations to observe National Grandparents Day with appro-*
 3 *appropriate ceremonies and activities.*

4 **§ 126. National Hispanic Heritage Month**

5 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

6 (1) *designating September 15–October 15 as National Hispanic Herit-*
 7 *age Month; and*

8 (2) *calling on the people of the United States, especially the edu-*
 9 *cational community, to observe National Hispanic Heritage Month with*
 10 *appropriate ceremonies and activities.*

11 **§ 127. National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day**

12 (a) *DESIGNATION.—July 27 of each year until 2003 is National Korean*
 13 *War Veterans Armistice Day.*

14 (b) *PROCLAMATION.—The President is requested to issue each year a proc-*
 15 *lamation calling on—*

16 (1) *the people of the United States to observe National Korean War*
 17 *Veterans Armistice Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities; and*

18 (2) *all departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the United*
 19 *States Government, and interested organizations, groups, and individ-*
 20 *uals, to fly the flag of the United States at halfstaff on July 27 of each*
 21 *year until 2003 in honor of the individuals who died as a result of their*
 22 *service in Korea.*

23 **§ 128. National Maritime Day**

24 (a) *DESIGNATION.—May 22 is National Maritime Day.*

25 (b) *PROCLAMATION.—The President is requested to issue each year a proc-*
 26 *lamation calling on—*

27 (1) *the people of the United States to observe National Maritime Day*
 28 *by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes or other suit-*
 29 *able places; and*

30 (2) *United States Government officials to display the flag on all Gov-*
 31 *ernment buildings on National Maritime Day.*

32 **§ 129. National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**

33 (a) *DESIGNATION.—December 7 is National Pearl Harbor Remembrance*
 34 *Day.*

35 (b) *PROCLAMATION.—The President is requested to issue each year a proc-*
 36 *lamation calling on—*

37 (1) *the people of the United States to observe National Pearl Harbor*
 38 *Remembrance Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities; and*

39 (2) *all departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the United*
 40 *States Government, and interested organizations, groups, and individ-*
 41 *uals, to fly the flag of the United States at halfstaff each December 7*

1 in honor of the individuals who died as a result of their service at Pearl
2 Harbor.

3 **§ 130. National Poison Prevention Week**

4 The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation designating
5 the 3d week in March as National Poison Prevention Week to aid in encour-
6 aging the people of the United States to learn of the dangers of accidental
7 poisoning and to take preventive measures that are warranted by the serious-
8 ness of the danger.

9 **§ 131. National Safe Boating Week**

10 The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation designating
11 the 7-day period ending on the last Friday before Memorial Day as National
12 Safe Boating Week.

13 **§ 132. National School Lunch Week**

14 (a) DESIGNATION.—The week beginning on the 2d Sunday in October is
15 National School Lunch Week.

16 (b) PROCLAMATION.—The President is requested to issue each year a pro-
17 clamation calling on the people of the United States to observe National School
18 Lunch Week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

19 **§ 133. National Transportation Week**

20 The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—

21 (1) designating the week that includes the 3d Friday of May as Na-
22 tional Transportation Week; and

23 (2) inviting the people of the United States to observe National Trans-
24 portation Week with appropriate ceremonies and activities as a tribute
25 to the men and women who, night and day, move goods and individuals
26 throughout the United States.

27 **§ 134. Pan American Aviation Day**

28 The President may issue each year a proclamation—

29 (1) designating December 17 as Pan American Aviation Day; and

30 (2) calling on all officials of the United States Government, the chief
31 executive offices of the States, territories, and possessions of the United
32 States, and all citizens to participate in the observance of Pan American
33 Aviation Day to further, and stimulate interest in, aviation in the Amer-
34 ican countries as an important stimulus to the further development of
35 more rapid communications and a cultural development between the
36 countries of the Western Hemisphere.

37 **§ 135. Parents' Day**

38 (a) DESIGNATION.—The 4th Sunday in July is Parents' Day.

39 (b) RECOGNITION.—All private citizens, organizations, and Federal, State,
40 and local governmental and legislative entities are encouraged to recognize
41 Parents' Day through proclamations, activities, and educational efforts in

1 *furtherance of recognizing, uplifting, and supporting the role of parents in*
2 *bringing up their children.*

3 **§ 136. Peace Officers Memorial Day**

4 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

5 *(1) designating May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of*
6 *Federal, State, and local officers killed or disabled in the line of duty;*

7 *(2) directing United States Government officials to display the flag of*
8 *the United States at halfstaff on all Government buildings on Peace Offi-*
9 *cers Memorial Day, as provided by section 7(m) of title 4; and*

10 *(3) inviting State and local governments and the people of the United*
11 *States to observe Peace Officers Memorial Day with appropriate cere-*
12 *monies and activities, including the display of the flag at halfstaff.*

13 **§ 137. Police Week**

14 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

15 *(1) designating the week in which May 15 occurs as Police Week in*
16 *recognition of the service given by men and women who stand guard to*
17 *protect the people of the United States through law enforcement; and*

18 *(2) inviting State and local governments and the people of the United*
19 *States to observe Police Week with appropriate ceremonies and activities,*
20 *including the display of the flag at halfstaff.*

21 **§ 138. Save Your Vision Week**

22 *The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation—*

23 *(1) designating the first week in March as Save Your Vision Week;*

24 *(2) inviting the governors and mayors of State and local governments*
25 *to issue proclamations designating the first week in March as Save Your*
26 *Vision Week;*

27 *(3) inviting the communications media, health care professions, and*
28 *other agencies and individuals concerned with programs for the improve-*
29 *ment of vision to unite during Save Your Vision Week in public activi-*
30 *ties to convince the people of the United States of the importance of vi-*
31 *sion to their welfare and the welfare of the United States; and*

32 *(4) urging the media, health care professions, and other agencies and*
33 *individuals to support programs to improve and protect the vision of the*
34 *people of the United States.*

35 **§ 139. Steelmark Month**

36 *(a) DESIGNATION.—May is Steelmark Month.*

37 *(b) PURPOSE.—Steelmark Month recognizes the tremendous contribution*
38 *made by the steel industry in the United States to national security and de-*
39 *fense.*

1 (c) *PROCLAMATION.*—*The President is requested to issue a proclamation*
 2 *calling on the people of the United States to observe Steelmark Month with*
 3 *appropriate ceremonies and activities.*

4 **§ 140. Stephen Foster Memorial Day**

5 *The President may issue each year a proclamation—*

6 (1) *designating January 13 as Stephen Foster Memorial Day; and*

7 (2) *calling on the people of the United States to observe Stephen Foster*
 8 *Memorial Day with appropriate ceremonies, pilgrimages to his shrines,*
 9 *and musical programs featuring his compositions.*

10 **§ 141. Thomas Jefferson's birthday**

11 *The President shall issue each year a proclamation—*

12 (1) *calling on officials of the United States Government to display the*
 13 *flag of the United States on all Government buildings on April 13; and*

14 (2) *inviting the people of the United States to observe April 13 in*
 15 *schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate cere-*
 16 *monies in commemoration of Thomas Jefferson's birthday.*

17 **§ 142. White Cane Safety Day**

18 *The President may issue each year a proclamation—*

19 (1) *designating October 15 as White Cane Safety Day; and*

20 (2) *calling on the people of the United States to observe White Cane*
 21 *Safety Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.*

22 **§ 143. Wright Brothers Day**

23 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*December 17 is Wright Brothers Day.*

24 (b) *PURPOSE.*—*Wright Brothers Day commemorates the first successful*
 25 *flights in a heavier than air, mechanically propelled airplane, that were made*
 26 *by Orville and Wilbur Wright on December 17, 1903, near Kitty Hawk, North*
 27 *Carolina.*

28 (c) *PROCLAMATION.*—*The President is requested to issue each year a pro-*
 29 *clamation inviting the people of the United States to observe Wright Brothers*
 30 *Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.*

31 **CHAPTER 3—NATIONAL ANTHEM, MOTTO, FLORAL**
 32 **EMBLEM, AND MARCH**

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301. *National anthem.*

302. *National motto.*

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304. *National march.*

33 **§ 301. National anthem**

34 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*The composition consisting of the words and music*
 35 *known as the Star-Spangled Banner is the national anthem.*

36 (b) *CONDUCT DURING PLAYING.*—*During a rendition of the national an-*
 37 *them—*

1 (1) *when the flag is displayed—*

2 (A) *all present except those in uniform should stand at attention*
3 *facing the flag with the right hand over the heart;*

4 (B) *men not in uniform should remove their headdress with their*
5 *right hand and hold the headdress at the left shoulder, the hand*
6 *being over the heart; and*

7 (C) *individuals in uniform should give the military salute at the*
8 *first note of the anthem and maintain that position until the last*
9 *note; and*

10 (2) *when the flag is not displayed, all present should face toward the*
11 *music and act in the same manner they would if the flag were displayed.*

12 **§302. National motto**

13 *“In God we trust” is the national motto.*

14 **§303. National floral emblem**

15 *The flower commonly known as the rose is the national floral emblem.*

16 **§304. National march**

17 *The composition by John Philip Sousa entitled “The Stars and Stripes*
18 *Forever” is the national march.*

19 **CHAPTER 5—PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL CEREMONIES**

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20 **§501. Definitions**

21 *For purposes of this chapter—*

22 (1) *“Inaugural Committee” means the committee appointed by the*
23 *President-elect to be in charge of the Presidential inaugural ceremony*
24 *and functions and activities connected with the ceremony.*

25 (2) *“inaugural period” means the period that includes the day on*
26 *which the Presidential inaugural ceremony is held, the 5 calendar days*
27 *immediately preceding that day, and the 4 calendar days immediately*
28 *following that day.*

29 **§502. Regulations, licenses, and registration tags**

30 (a) *REGULATIONS AND LICENSES.—For each inaugural period, the Council*
31 *of the District of Columbia shall—*

32 (1) *prescribe reasonable regulations necessary to preserve public order*
33 *and protect life, health, and property;*

1 (2) *prescribe special regulations related to the standing, movement,*
2 *and operation of vehicles; and*

3 (3) *grant special licenses to peddlers and vendors to sell merchandise*
4 *in places the Council considers proper, subject to conditions and fees for*
5 *the licenses the Council considers proper.*

6 (b) *REGISTRATION TAGS.—The Mayor of the District of Columbia may*
7 *issue, for any motor vehicle made available for the use of the Inaugural Com-*
8 *mittee, special registration tags, valid for not more than 90 days, designed*
9 *to celebrate the inauguration of the President and Vice President.*

10 **§503. Use of reservations, grounds, and public spaces**

11 (a) *PERMIT FOR USE.—With the approval of the officer having jurisdiction*
12 *over any of the Federal reservations or grounds in the District of Columbia,*
13 *the Secretary of the Interior may grant to the Inaugural Committee a permit*
14 *to use the reservations or grounds during the inaugural period, including a*
15 *reasonable time before and after the inaugural period. The Mayor of the Dis-*
16 *trict of Columbia may grant a similar permit to use public space under the*
17 *Mayor’s jurisdiction. Each permit granted under this subsection is subject to*
18 *conditions the grantor of the permit prescribes.*

19 (b) *REVIEWING STANDS AND COMMERCIAL STANDS AND STRUCTURES.—A*
20 *reviewing stand or a stand or structure for the sale of merchandise, food, or*
21 *drink may be built on public grounds in the District of Columbia only if ap-*
22 *proved by the Inaugural Committee and by the Secretary or the Mayor, as*
23 *appropriate.*

24 (c) *RESTORATION AFTER INAUGURAL PERIOD.—After the inaugural period,*
25 *the reservation, ground, or public space occupied by a stand or structure shall*
26 *be restored promptly to its prior condition.*

27 (d) *INDEMNIFICATION.—The Inaugural Committee shall indemnify and*
28 *save harmless the District of Columbia and the appropriate department, agen-*
29 *cy, or instrumentality of the United States Government against any loss or*
30 *damage to, and against any liability arising from the use of, the reservation,*
31 *ground, or public space, by the Inaugural Committee or a licensee of the In-*
32 *augural Committee.*

33 **§504. Installation and removal of electrical facilities**

34 (a) *INSTALLATION.—The Mayor of the District of Columbia may allow the*
35 *Inaugural Committee to install suitable overhead conductors and electrical fa-*
36 *ilities, with adequate supports. The official in charge of a park or reservation*
37 *in the District of Columbia in which it is necessary to place wires shall su-*
38 *perwise the placing and removal of those wires.*

39 (b) *REMOVAL.—The conductors and supports shall be removed not later*
40 *than 5 days after the end of the inaugural period.*

1 (c) INDEMNIFICATION.—*The United States Government and the District of*
2 *Columbia may not incur any expense or damage from the installation, oper-*
3 *ation, or removal of a temporary overhead conductor or electrical facility. The*
4 *Inaugural Committee shall indemnify and hold harmless the District of Co-*
5 *lumbia and the appropriate department, agency, or instrumentality of the*
6 *Government against any loss or damage, and against any liability arising,*
7 *from any act of the Inaugural Committee or any agent, licensee, servant, or*
8 *employee of the Inaugural Committee in connection with the installation, op-*
9 *eration, or removal of a temporary overhead conductor or electrical facility.*

10 **§ 505. Extension of wires along parade routes**

11 *The Mayor of the District of Columbia, the Secretary of the Interior, and*
12 *the Inaugural Committee may allow communications companies to extend*
13 *overhead wires to places along a parade route that are considered convenient*
14 *for use in connection with the parade and other inaugural purposes. The*
15 *wires shall be removed not later than 10 days after the inaugural period ends.*

16 **§ 506. Duration of regulations and licenses and publication**
17 **of regulations**

18 *Regulations prescribed and licenses authorized under this chapter are effec-*
19 *tive only during the inaugural period. The regulations shall be published in*
20 *at least one daily newspaper published in the District of Columbia. A penalty*
21 *prescribed for violating such a regulation may not be enforced until 5 days*
22 *after publication.*

23 **§ 507. Application to other property**

24 *This chapter does not apply to the United States Capitol Buildings or*
25 *Grounds or other property under the jurisdiction of Congress or a committee,*
26 *commission, or officer of Congress. A service or facility authorized by or under*
27 *this chapter is available for the property on request or approval of the joint*
28 *committee of the Senate and House of Representatives appointed by the Presi-*
29 *dent of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives to arrange*
30 *for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect.*

31 **§ 508. Enforcement**

32 *The Mayor of the District of Columbia, or other official having jurisdiction*
33 *in the premises, shall enforce this chapter, take necessary precautions to pro-*
34 *tect the public, and ensure that the pavement of any street, sidewalk, avenue,*
35 *or alley disturbed or damaged is restored to its prior condition.*

36 **§ 509. Penalty**

37 *A person violating a regulation prescribed under this chapter shall be fined*
38 *under title 18 or imprisoned for not more than 30 days. A separate violation*
39 *occurs under this section for each day the violation continues.*

1 **§510. Authorization of appropriations**

2 (a) *AUTHORIZATION.*—Necessary amounts are authorized to be appro-
3 priated—

4 (1) *to enable the Mayor of the District of Columbia to provide addi-*
5 *tional municipal services in the District of Columbia during the inau-*
6 *gural period, including—*

7 (A) *employment of personal services without regard to chapters*
8 *33 and 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5;*

9 (B) *travel expenses of enforcement personnel, including*
10 *sanitarians, from other jurisdictions;*

11 (C) *the hiring of the means of transportation;*

12 (D) *meals for policemen, firemen, and other municipal employees;*

13 (E) *the cost of removing and relocating streetcar loading plat-*
14 *forms, construction, rent, maintenance, and expenses incident to the*
15 *operation of temporary public comfort stations, first-aid stations,*
16 *and information booths; and*

17 (F) *other incidental expenses in the discretion of the Mayor; and*

18 (2) *to enable the Secretary of the Interior to provide meals for the*
19 *members of the United States Park Police during the inaugural period.*

20 (b) *PAYMENT.*—Amounts appropriated under—

21 (1) *subsection (a)(1) of this section are payable in the same way as*
22 *other appropriations for the expenses of the District of Columbia; and*

23 (2) *subsection (a)(2) of this section are payable in the same way as*
24 *other appropriations for the expenses of the Department of the Interior.*

25 **CHAPTER 7—FEDERAL PARTICIPATION IN CARL**

26 **GARNER FEDERAL LANDS CLEANUP DAY**

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27 **§701. Findings**

28 *Congress finds that—*

29 (1) *Federal lands, parks, recreation areas, and waterways provide rec-*
30 *reational opportunities for millions of Americans each year;*

31 (2) *Federal lands administered by Federal land management agencies*
32 *contain valuable wildlife, scenery, natural and historic features, and*
33 *other resources which may be damaged by litter and misuse;*

34 (3) *it is in the best interest of the United States and its citizens to*
35 *maintain and preserve the beauty, safety, and availability of these Fed-*
36 *eral lands;*

1 (4) *these Federal land management agencies have been designated as*
 2 *the caretakers of these Federal lands and are responsible for maintaining*
 3 *and preserving those areas and facilities;*

4 (5) *there is great value in volunteer involvement in maintaining and*
 5 *preserving Federal lands for recreational use;*

6 (6) *the Federal land management agencies should be concerned with*
 7 *promoting a sense of pride and ownership among citizens toward these*
 8 *lands;*

9 (7) *the use of citizen volunteers in a national cleanup effort promotes*
 10 *these goals and encourages the thoughtful use of these Federal lands and*
 11 *facilities;*

12 (8) *the positive impact of annual cleanup events held at various recre-*
 13 *ation sites has already been proven by steadily declining levels of litter*
 14 *at these sites; and*

15 (9) *a national program for cleaning and maintaining Federal lands*
 16 *using volunteers will save millions of tax dollars.*

17 **§ 702. Definition**

18 *For purposes of this chapter, “Federal land management agency” in-*
 19 *cludes—*

20 (1) *the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture;*

21 (2) *the Bureau of Land Management of the Department of the Inte-*
 22 *rior;*

23 (3) *the National Park Service of the Department of the Interior;*

24 (4) *the Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior;*

25 (5) *the Bureau of Reclamation of the Department of the Interior; and*

26 (6) *the Army Corps of Engineers.*

27 **§ 703. Duties of Federal land management agency**

28 *To observe Carl Garner Federal Lands Cleanup Day at the Federal level,*
 29 *each Federal land management agency shall organize, coordinate, and par-*
 30 *ticipate with citizen volunteers and State and local authorities in cleaning*
 31 *and providing for the maintenance of Federal public land, recreation areas,*
 32 *and waterways within the jurisdiction of the agency.*

33 **§ 704. Activities**

34 *In cooperation with appropriate State and local government authorities,*
 35 *each Federal land management agency shall plan for and carry out activities*
 36 *on Carl Garner Federal Lands Cleanup Day that—*

37 (1) *encourage continuing public and private sector cooperation in pre-*
 38 *servicing the beauty and safety of areas within the jurisdiction of the agen-*
 39 *cy;*

40 (2) *increase citizens’ sense of ownership and community pride in those*
 41 *areas;*

1 *Director of the Selective Service System on any day designated by law*
 2 *as National POW/MIA Recognition Day.*

3 (c) *TERMINATION OF FLAG DISPLAY REQUIREMENT.*—Subsection (b) of this
 4 section ceases to apply when the President decides that the fullest possible ac-
 5 counting has been made of all members of the armed forces and civilian em-
 6 ployees of the United States Government who have been identified as prisoners
 7 of war or missing in action in Southeast Asia.

8 **PART B—UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ORGANIZA-**
 9 **TIONS INVOLVED WITH OBSERVANCES AND CERE-**
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11 **CHAPTER 21—AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS**

12 **COMMISSION**

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13 **§2101. Membership**

14 (a) *COMPOSITION AND TERMS.*—The American Battle Monuments Commis-
 15 sion has not more than 11 members appointed by the President. The President
 16 also shall appoint one officer of the Regular Army to serve as secretary of
 17 the Commission. The members and secretary serve at the pleasure of the Presi-
 18 dent. The President shall fill any vacancies that occur. Notwithstanding any
 19 other law, members of the armed forces may be appointed members of the
 20 Commission.

21 (b) *PAY AND EXPENSES.*—The members of the Commission serve without
 22 compensation. However, the members of the Commission may receive, from an
 23 amount appropriated to carry out this chapter or acquired by another author-
 24 ized way—

25 (1) *their actual expenses related to the work of the Commission;*

26 (2) *when in a travel status outside the continental United States, a*
 27 *per diem at the rate authorized to be paid for members of the uniformed*
 28 *services under section 405 of title 37, instead of subsistence; and*

29 (3) *when in a travel status in the continental United States, a per*
 30 *diem at the rate authorized to be paid under sections 5702 and 5703 of*
 31 *title 5, instead of subsistence.*

1 (c) *EXPENSES OF OFFICERS OF ARMED FORCES SERVING ON COMMISSION.*—An officer of the armed forces serving as a member or as secretary of
2 the Commission may be reimbursed for expenses when traveling on business
3 of the Commission in the same way as civilian members of the Commission.

4 **§2102. Employment of personnel**

5 (a) *GENERAL.*—Within the limits of an appropriation made to employ per-
6 sonnel, the American Battle Monuments Commission may employ personnel
7 necessary to carry out this chapter. To ensure adequate care and maintenance
8 of cemeteries, monuments, and memorials, the Commission, subject to the
9 availability of appropriations, shall employ—

10 (1) at least 50 individuals in the competitive service (as defined in
11 section 2102 of title 5), of whom at least 43 shall be assigned to duty
12 in foreign countries where the cemeteries, monuments, and memorials are
13 located; and

14 (2) at least 348 individuals who are citizens of the countries where
15 the cemeteries, monuments, and memorials are located.

16 (b) *DETAILED PERSONNEL.*—On request of the Commission, the heads of
17 departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the United States Government
18 may make available to the Commission their personnel and facilities to assist
19 in carrying out this chapter, and may expend for that purpose amounts ap-
20 propriated to the department, agency, and instrumentality. The Commission
21 shall reimburse the department, agency, or instrumentality for the pay and
22 allowances of designated personnel.

23 (c) *STATION ALLOWANCE FOR OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE COMMISSION.*—
24 For officers of the armed forces assigned to the Commission, the same station
25 allowance shall be authorized for serving at foreign stations as the Secretary
26 of the Army has authorized for officers of the Army.

27 (d) *CITIZENSHIP REQUIREMENT.*—An individual may be employed as the
28 superintendent, or as an assistant superintendent, of a cemetery operated by
29 the Commission only if the individual is a citizen of the United States.

30 **§2103. Administrative**

31 (a) *GENERAL AUTHORITY.*—Subject to appropriations made to carry out
32 this chapter, the American Battle Monuments Commission may—

33 (1) acquire land or an interest in land in a foreign country to carry
34 out the purposes of this chapter, or an executive order conferring duties
35 and powers on the Commission, without submission to the Attorney Gen-
36 eral under section 355 of the Revised Statutes (40 U.S.C. 255);

37 (2) maintain, repair, and operate motor-propelled passenger-carrying
38 vehicles and other property that another department, agency, or instru-
39 mentality of the United States Government provides to the Commission;
40

1 (3) *establish offices in the District of Columbia and elsewhere in or*
2 *outside the United States;*

3 (4) *rent office and garage space, which may be paid for in advance,*
4 *in foreign countries; and*

5 (5) *procure printing, binding, engraving, lithographing,*
6 *photographing, and typewriting, including the publication of informa-*
7 *tion on United States activities, battlefields, memorials, and cemeteries*
8 *with respect to which the Commission may exercise any duties and pow-*
9 *ers.*

10 (b) *DISPOSITION OF LAND.—Under conditions and in the manner the Com-*
11 *mission decides is proper, the Commission may dispose of land or an interest*
12 *in land in a foreign country that the Commission acquires in connection with*
13 *its work.*

14 (c) *CONTRACTING OUT.—Notwithstanding the requirements of existing laws*
15 *or regulations, the Commission, under conditions the Commission decides are*
16 *necessary and proper, may contract for work, supplies, materials, and equip-*
17 *ment outside or for use outside the United States and engage the services of*
18 *architects and other technical and professional personnel.*

19 (d) *DELEGATION.—Under conditions the Commission may prescribe, the*
20 *Commission may delegate to its Chairman, secretary, or officials in charge*
21 *of any of its offices any of its authority it considers necessary and proper.*

22 (e) *AUTHORITY TO RECEIVE STATE, LOCAL, OR PRIVATE AMOUNTS.—The*
23 *Commission may receive State, local, or private amounts to carry out this*
24 *chapter. The Commission shall deposit the amounts with the Treasurer of the*
25 *United States. The Treasurer shall keep the amounts in separate accounts and*
26 *shall disburse the amounts on vouchers approved by the Chairman.*

27 (f) *LIMITATION ON USE OF CONTRIBUTIONS.—The Commission may not*
28 *obligate, withdraw, or expend amounts received as contributions before March*
29 *1, 1998.*

30 (g) *STATEMENTS TO PRESIDENT.—The Commission shall transmit to the*
31 *President on October 1 of each year a statement of all its financial and other*
32 *transactions during the prior fiscal year.*

33 (h) *FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITS.—(1) The Commission shall have*
34 *a system of financial controls to enable the Commission to comply with the*
35 *requirements of paragraph (2) of this subsection and with section 2106(d)(4)*
36 *of this title.*

37 (2) *The Commission shall—*

38 (A) *by March 1 of each year (beginning with 1998)—*

39 (i) *prepare a financial statement which covers all accounts and*
40 *associated activities of the Commission for the prior fiscal year and*
41 *is consistent with the requirements of section 3515 of title 31; and*

1 (i) submit the financial statement, together with a narrative
2 summary, to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and
3 House of Representatives; and

4 (B) obtain an audit by the Comptroller General of each financial
5 statement prepared under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, which
6 shall be conducted in accordance with applicable generally accepted gov-
7 ernment auditing standards and shall be in lieu of any audit otherwise
8 required by law.

9 (i) *DISPOSITION OF RECORDS AND ARCHIVES.*—When no longer required
10 by the Commission, the records and archives of the Commission shall be de-
11 posited with the National Archives in accordance with section 2107 of title
12 44.

13 (j) *SEAL.*—The Commission shall have a seal that shall be judicially no-
14 ticed.

15 (k) *DISBURSEMENTS OUTSIDE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES.*—Disburse-
16 ments for expenditures outside the continental United States may be made by
17 a special disbursing agent designated by the Commission under regulations
18 it prescribes.

19 **§2104. Military cemeteries in foreign countries**

20 When, as a result of combat operations, the armed forces establish military
21 cemeteries in zones of operations outside the United States and the territories
22 and possessions of the United States, the American Battle Monuments Com-
23 mission and the Secretary of the Army, immediately on the cessation of hos-
24 tilities, shall decide which of the cemeteries will become permanent cemeteries
25 or, if they decide it is desirable, shall select new sites for the cemeteries at
26 any other location. The Commission is solely responsible for the design and
27 construction of the permanent cemeteries, and of all buildings, plantings,
28 headstones, and other permanent improvements incidental to the cemeteries,
29 except that—

30 (1) the armed forces are responsible for maintaining the permanent
31 cemeteries until the Commission declares its readiness to assume the au-
32 thorized administrative duties and powers;

33 (2) all construction undertaken by the armed forces in establishing
34 and maintaining the cemetery prior to its transfer to the Commission
35 shall be nonpermanent;

36 (3) burials and reburials by the armed forces shall be carried out in
37 accordance with plans prepared by the Commission; and

38 (4) the armed forces have the right to re-enter a cemetery transferred
39 to the Commission to exhume or reinter a body if they decide it is nec-
40 essary.

1 **§2105. Monuments built by the United States Government**

2 (a) *MEMORIALS.*—*The American Battle Monuments Commission shall pre-*
 3 *pare plans and estimates to build suitable memorials commemorating the*
 4 *service of American armed forces, and shall build and maintain memorials*
 5 *in the United States and, as the Commission decides, at any place outside*
 6 *the United States where the armed forces have served since April 6, 1917.*

7 (b) *ARCHITECTURE AND ART.*—*The Commission shall build and maintain*
 8 *works of architecture and art in United States cemeteries located outside the*
 9 *United States and the territories and possessions of the United States that*
 10 *are permanent cemeteries. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall maintain*
 11 *works of architecture and art built by the Commission in the National Ceme-*
 12 *tery System, as described in section 2400(b) of title 38.*

13 (c) *CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF MATERIALS, DESIGN, AND BUILDING.*—
 14 (1) *The Commission shall control the materials and design and prescribe reg-*
 15 *ulations for, and supervise the building of, all memorial monuments and*
 16 *buildings in United States cemeteries located outside the United States and*
 17 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

18 (2) *The Commission shall control the design and prescribe regulations for*
 19 *the building of all memorial monuments and buildings commemorating the*
 20 *service of American armed forces that are built in a foreign country or politi-*
 21 *cal division of the foreign country that authorizes the Commission to carry*
 22 *out those duties and powers.*

23 (d) *APPROVAL BY NATIONAL COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS.*—*A design for a*
 24 *memorial must be approved by the National Commission of Fine Arts before*
 25 *the Commission can accept it.*

26 **§2106. War memorials not built by the United States Govern-**
 27 **ment**

28 (a) *COOPERATION WITH OTHERS.*—*The American Battle Monuments Com-*
 29 *mission may cooperate with citizens of the United States, States, municipali-*
 30 *ties, or associations desiring to build war memorials outside the continental*
 31 *limits of the United States in the way the Commission decides. An adminis-*
 32 *trative agency of the United States Government may give assistance to build*
 33 *the memorial only if a plan for the memorial has been approved under this*
 34 *chapter.*

35 (b) *CONTROL, ADMINISTRATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF WAR MEMORI-*
 36 *ALS.*—(1) *The Commission may assume responsibility for the control, admin-*
 37 *istration, and maintenance of any war memorial built outside the United*
 38 *States by a citizen of the United States, a State, a political subdivision of*
 39 *a State, a governmental authority (except a department, agency, or instru-*
 40 *mentality of the United States Government), a foreign agency, or a private*

1 association to commemorate the services of any of the armed forces in hos-
2 tilities occurring since April 6, 1917, if—

3 (A) the memorial is not built on the territory of the applicable former
4 enemy; and

5 (B) the sponsors of the memorial consent to the Commission assuming
6 those responsibilities and transfer to the Commission all their rights and
7 interests in the memorial.

8 (2) If reasonable effort fails to locate the sponsors of a memorial, the Com-
9 mission may assume responsibility for the memorial under this subsection by
10 agreement with the appropriate foreign authorities. A decision of the Commis-
11 sion to assume responsibility for a war memorial under this subsection is
12 final.

13 (3) Sponsors of a war memorial for which the Commission assumes respon-
14 sibility under this subsection may transfer amounts accumulated to maintain
15 and repair the memorial to the Commission for use in carrying out this chap-
16 ter. Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the Commission shall
17 deposit transferred amounts as provided in section 2103(e) of this title.

18 (c) ARRANGEMENTS FOR REPAIR OR LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE OF MEMO-
19 RIALS.—In assuming responsibility for a war memorial under subsection
20 (b)(1) or (2) of this section, the Commission may arrange with the sponsors
21 of the memorial to provide for repair or long-term maintenance of the memo-
22 rial. An amount transferred to the Commission for the purpose of this sub-
23 section shall be deposited by the Commission in the fund established under
24 subsection (d) of this section.

25 (d) FUND FOR ARRANGEMENTS FOR REPAIR OR LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE
26 OF MEMORIALS.—(1) There is a fund in the Treasury that is available to the
27 Commission for expenses of repair and long-term maintenance of memorials
28 for which the Commission has made arrangements under subsection (c) of this
29 section. The fund consists of—

30 (A) amounts deposited into, and interest and proceeds credited to, the
31 fund under paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

32 (B) obligations obtained under paragraph (3) of this subsection.

33 (2) The Commission shall deposit into the fund the amounts that are ac-
34 cepted under subsection (c) of this section. The Secretary of the Treasury shall
35 credit to the fund the interest on, and the proceeds from the sale or redemp-
36 tion of, obligations held in the fund.

37 (3) The Secretary shall invest any part of the fund that the Commission
38 decides is not required to meet current expenses. Each investment shall be
39 made in an interest-bearing obligation of the United States Government, or
40 an obligation that has its principal and interest guaranteed by the Govern-
41 ment, that the Commission decides has a maturity suitable for the fund.

1 (f) *FUND.*—(1) *There is a fund in the Treasury that is available to the*
2 *Commission only to carry out this section. The fund consists of—*

3 (A) *amounts deposited into, and interest and proceeds credited to, the*
4 *fund under paragraph (2) of this subsection; and*

5 (B) *obligations obtained under paragraph (3) of this subsection.*

6 (2) *The Chairman of the Commission shall deposit into the fund the*
7 *amounts that are accepted under subsection (d) of this section. The Secretary*
8 *of the Treasury shall credit to the fund the interest on, and the proceeds from*
9 *the sale or redemption of, obligations held in the fund.*

10 (3) *The Secretary shall invest any part of the fund that the Chairman de-*
11 *cides is not required to meet current expenses. Each investment shall be made*
12 *in an interest-bearing obligation of the United States Government, or an obli-*
13 *gation that has its principal and interest guaranteed by the Government, that*
14 *the Chairman decides has a maturity suitable for the fund.*

15 (4) *Amounts in the fund exceeding the cost of carrying out this section, as*
16 *decided by the Chairman, shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous*
17 *receipts to reimburse the United States Government for amounts appropriated*
18 *under subsection (g) of this section.*

19 (g) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—*There are authorized to be ap-*
20 *propriated—*

21 (1) *\$6,000,000 for site preparation, design, planning, construction,*
22 *and associated administrative costs for the restoration of the Memorial*
23 *and other historical and memorial sites referred to in subsection (a) of*
24 *this section; and*

25 (2) *amounts necessary to operate and maintain the Memorial and*
26 *those other historical and memorial sites.*

27 **§2109. Foreign Currency Fluctuations Account**

28 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE.*—*There is an account in the Treasury*
29 *known as the “Foreign Currency Fluctuations, American Battle Monuments*
30 *Commission, Account”. The Account shall be used to provide amounts, in ad-*
31 *dition to amounts appropriated for salaries and expenses of the Commission,*
32 *to pay the cost of salaries and expenses that exceeds the amount appropriated*
33 *for salaries and expenses because of fluctuations in currency exchange rates*
34 *of foreign countries occurring after a budget request for the Commission is*
35 *submitted to Congress. The Account may not be used for any other purpose.*

36 (b) *INCREASE IN PERMISSIBLE OBLIGATIONS OF AMOUNTS.*—*A provision*
37 *of law limiting the amounts the Commission may obligate in a fiscal year*
38 *shall be increased to the extent necessary to reflect fluctuations in exchange*
39 *rates from those used in preparing the budget submission.*

40 (c) *TRANSFERRED AMOUNTS.*—(1) *Amounts in the Account may be trans-*
41 *ferred to amounts appropriated for salaries and expenses of the Commission.*

1 *Transferred amounts shall be merged with, and are available for the same*
 2 *time period as, the appropriation to which they are applied.*

3 (2) *Amounts transferred from the Account may be transferred back—*

4 (A) *if the amounts are not needed to pay obligations incurred because*
 5 *of fluctuations in currency exchange rates of foreign countries in the ap-*
 6 *propriation to which the amounts were originally transferred; or*

7 (B) *because of subsequent favorable fluctuations in the rates or because*
 8 *other amounts are, or become, available to pay the obligations.*

9 (3) *Amounts transferred to an appropriation under this subsection may not*
 10 *be transferred back to the Account after the end of the 2d fiscal year after*
 11 *the fiscal year in which the appropriation was available for obligation.*

12 (d) *RECORDING OF OBLIGATIONS AND FLUCTUATIONS IN EXCHANGE*
 13 *RATES.—An obligation of the Commission payable in the currency of a fore-*
 14 *ign country may be recorded as an obligation based on exchange rates used*
 15 *in preparing a budget submission. A change reflecting fluctuations in ex-*
 16 *change rates may be recorded as a disbursement is made.*

17 (e) *UNOBLIGATED BALANCES.—The unobligated balance of an appropria-*
 18 *tion for salaries and expenses may be transferred to the Account not later*
 19 *than the end of the 2d fiscal year following the fiscal year for which the ap-*
 20 *propriation was made. The unobligated balance shall be merged with, and be*
 21 *available for the same period and purposes as, the Account.*

22 (f) *ANNUAL REPORT.—The Commission each year shall submit to the ap-*
 23 *propriate committees of Congress a report on amounts transferred under this*
 24 *section.*

25 (g) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be ap-*
 26 *propriated \$3,000,000 to the Account.*

27 **§2110. Claims against the Commission**

28 *A claim against the American Battle Monuments Commission that is simi-*
 29 *lar to a claim described in section 2734 of title 10, that is based on damage*
 30 *to, or loss or destruction of, property, or personal injury or death of an indi-*
 31 *vidual, and that is caused by the negligent or wrongful act or omission of*
 32 *an officer or civilian employee of the Commission acting within the scope of*
 33 *the officer's or employee's office or employment, may be settled, decided, and*
 34 *paid as provided in section 2734 for the settlement of Army claims. However,*
 35 *the Secretary of the Army may appoint an officer or employee of the Commis-*
 36 *sion to a claims commission or as an officer to approve settlements of claims*
 37 *made by the claims commission. All payments in settlement of a claim shall*
 38 *be made out of appropriations made to carry out this chapter.*

39 **§2111. Presidential duties and powers**

40 (a) *ARRANGEMENTS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES.—The President is re-*
 41 *quested to make the necessary arrangements with the proper authorities of the*

1 appropriate foreign countries to enable the American Battle Monuments Com-
2 mission to carry out this chapter.

3 (b) *TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES AND POWERS AND SUPPLIES,*
4 *MATERIAL, AND EQUIPMENT TO COMMISSION.*—(1) *The President by executive*
5 *order may transfer to the Commission—*

6 (A) *the same administrative duties and powers related to a permanent*
7 *military cemetery located outside the United States and the territories*
8 *and possessions of the United States that were transferred to the Com-*
9 *mission by Executive Order 6614, February 26, 1934, and Executive*
10 *Order 10057, May 14, 1949, as amended by Executive Order 10087, De-*
11 *cember 3, 1949; and*

12 (B) *supplies, material, and equipment located in the permanent mili-*
13 *tary cemetery or in a military depot overseas that—*

14 (i) *the Department of Defense does not need; and*

15 (ii) *the Commission requests to carry out the duties and powers*
16 *specified in clause (A) of this paragraph.*

17 (2) *After a transfer under this subsection, the Commission shall maintain*
18 *the cemetery and all improvements in it.*

19 **§2112. Care and maintenance of Surrender Tree site**

20 *The American Battle Monuments Commission is responsible for the care*
21 *and maintenance of the Surrender Tree site in Santiago, Cuba.*

22 **CHAPTER 23—UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL**
23 **COUNCIL**

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24 **§2301. Establishment and purposes**

25 *The United States Holocaust Memorial Council is an independent estab-*
26 *lishment of the United States Government. The Council shall—*

27 (1) *provide for appropriate ways for the Nation to commemorate the*
28 *Days of Remembrance as an annual, national, civic commemoration of*
29 *the holocaust;*

30 (2) *encourage and sponsor appropriate observances of the Days of Re-*
31 *membrance throughout the United States;*

32 (3) *plan, construct, and operate a permanent living memorial museum*
33 *to the victims of the holocaust in cooperation with the Secretary of the*

1 Interior and other departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the
 2 United States Government as provided in section 2305 of this title; and
 3 (4) develop a plan for carrying out the recommendations of the Presi-
 4 dent's Commission on the Holocaust in its report to the President of Sep-
 5 tember 27, 1979, to the extent the recommendations are not otherwise
 6 provided for in this chapter.

7 **§2302. Membership**

8 (a) COMPOSITION.—(1) The United States Holocaust Memorial Council
 9 consists of 65 voting members and the following *ex officio* nonvoting members:

10 (A) one appointed by the Secretary of the Interior.

11 (B) one appointed by the Secretary of State.

12 (C) one appointed by the Secretary of Education.

13 (2) Of the 65 voting members—

14 (A) the President of the United States appoints 55;

15 (B) the Speaker of the House of Representatives appoints 5 from
 16 among members of the House of Representatives; and

17 (C) the President *pro tempore* of the Senate appoints 5, on the rec-
 18 ommendation of the majority and minority leaders, from among mem-
 19 bers of the Senate.

20 (b) TERMS OF OFFICE.—(1) Except as provided in this subsection, Council
 21 members serve for terms of 5 years.

22 (2) The terms of the 5 members of the House of Representatives and the
 23 5 members of the Senate appointed during a term of Congress expire at the
 24 end of that term of Congress.

25 (c) CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON.—The President of the United
 26 States shall appoint the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Council
 27 from among the members of the Council. The Chairperson and Vice Chair-
 28 person serve for terms of 5 years.

29 (d) VACANCIES.—(1) A vacancy on the Council shall be filled in the same
 30 manner as the original appointment was made.

31 (2) A member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration
 32 of the term for which the predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only
 33 for the remainder of the term. A member, except a Member of Congress ap-
 34 pointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President *pro*
 35 *tempore* of the Senate, may serve after the expiration of a term until a succes-
 36 sor takes office.

37 (3) The President of the United States fills a vacancy in the offices of the
 38 Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

39 (e) REAPPOINTMENT.—A member whose term expires may be reappointed.
 40 The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson may be reappointed to those offices.

1 (f) *PAY AND EXPENSES.*—(1) *Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this*
 2 *subsection, members of the Council may be paid the daily equivalent of the*
 3 *maximum annual rate of basic pay payable under section 5376 of title 5 for*
 4 *each day (including traveltime) during which they perform duties of the*
 5 *Council. A member is entitled to travel expenses, including a per diem allow-*
 6 *ance, as provided under section 5703 of title 5.*

7 (2) *Members who are full-time officers or employees of the United States*
 8 *Government or Members of Congress may not receive additional pay because*
 9 *of their service on the Council.*

10 (g) *ASSOCIATED COMMITTEES.*—*Subject to appointment by the Chair-*
 11 *person, an individual who is not a member of the Council may be designated*
 12 *as a member of a committee associated with the Council. The individual*
 13 *serves without cost to the Government.*

14 **§2303. Executive Director**

15 (a) *APPOINTMENT AND PAY.*—*The Chairperson of the United States Holo-*
 16 *caust Memorial Council shall appoint an Executive Director, subject to con-*
 17 *firmation by the Council. The Executive Director may be paid with non-*
 18 *appropriated funds. However, if the Executive Director is paid with appro-*
 19 *priated funds, the rate of pay shall be a rate that is not more than the maxi-*
 20 *imum rate of basic pay payable under section 5376 of title 5. The Executive*
 21 *Director serves at the pleasure of the Council.*

22 (b) *DUTIES AND POWERS.*—*The Executive Director may—*

23 (1) *appoint employees in the competitive service subject to chapter 51*
 24 *and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5;*

25 (2) *appoint and fix the compensation (at a rate that is not more than*
 26 *the maximum rate of basic pay payable under section 5376 of title 5)*
 27 *of not more than 3 employees, notwithstanding any other law; and*

28 (3) *implement decisions of the Council, in the manner the Council di-*
 29 *rects, and carry out other functions the Council, the Executive Committee*
 30 *of the Council, or the Chairperson assigns.*

31 **§2304. Gifts, bequests, and devises of property**

32 (a) *GENERAL.*—*The United States Holocaust Memorial Council may so-*
 33 *licit, accept, own, administer, invest, and use gifts, bequests, and devises of*
 34 *property to aid or facilitate the construction, maintenance, and operation of*
 35 *the memorial museum. The property and the proceeds of the property shall*
 36 *be used as nearly as possible in accordance with the terms of the gift, bequest,*
 37 *or devise donating the property. Funds donated to and accepted by the Coun-*
 38 *cil under this section are not considered appropriated funds and are not sub-*
 39 *ject to any requirements or restrictions applicable to appropriated funds.*

1 (b) *TAX TREATMENT.*—For the purposes of Federal income, estate, and gift
2 taxes, property accepted under this section is deemed to be a gift, bequest, or
3 devise to the United States Government.

4 **§2305. Memorial museum**

5 (a) *TRANSFER OR PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT OF*
6 *COLUMBIA.*—For the purpose of establishing the memorial museum, and with
7 the approval of the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the Commis-
8 sion of Fine Arts and the National Capital Planning Commission—

9 (1) a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States
10 Government may transfer to the administrative jurisdiction of the Unit-
11 ed States Holocaust Memorial Council, any real property in the District
12 of Columbia that is under the administrative jurisdiction of the depart-
13 ment, agency, or instrumentality and that the Council considers suitable
14 for the memorial museum; and

15 (2) the Council may purchase, with the consent of the owner, any real
16 property within the District of Columbia that the Council considers suit-
17 able for the memorial museum.

18 (b) *ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN APPROVAL.*—The architectural design for the
19 memorial museum is subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior,
20 in consultation with the Commission of Fine Arts and the National Capital
21 Planning Commission.

22 (c) *INSURANCE.*—The Council shall maintain insurance on the memorial
23 museum to cover the risks, in the amount, and containing the terms the Coun-
24 cil considers necessary.

25 **§2306. Audits**

26 When requested by Congress, the Comptroller General shall audit financial
27 transactions of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, including
28 those involving donated funds, under generally accepted auditing standards.
29 The Council shall make available for an audit under this section all records,
30 items, or property used by the Council that are necessary for the audit. The
31 Council shall provide facilities for verifying transactions with the balances.

32 **§2307. Administrative**

33 (a) *BYLAWS.*—(1) The United States Holocaust Memorial Council shall
34 adopt bylaws to carry out its functions under this chapter.

35 (2) The Chairperson of the Council may waive a bylaw when the Chair-
36 person decides the waiver is in the best interest of the Council. Immediately
37 after waiving a bylaw, the Chairperson shall send written notice to every vot-
38 ing member of the Council. The waiver becomes final 30 days after the notice
39 is sent unless a majority of Council members disagrees in writing before the
40 end of the 30-day period.

1 (b) *QUORUM.*—*One-third of the members of the Council is a quorum. A va-*
 2 *vacancy in the Council does not affect its power to function.*

3 (c) *EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.*—*The Council may procure the temporary*
 4 *or intermittent services of experts or consultants under section 3109 of title*
 5 *5, at rates that are not more than the daily equivalent of the maximum an-*
 6 *annual rate of basic pay payable under section 5376 of title 5.*

7 (d) *CONTRACT AUTHORITY.*—*In accordance with applicable law, the Coun-*
 8 *cil may make contracts or other arrangements with public agencies or au-*
 9 *thorities and with private organizations and persons and may make pay-*
 10 *ments necessary to carry out its functions under this chapter.*

11 (e) *ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEPART-*
 12 *MENTS, AGENCIES, AND INSTRUMENTALITIES.*—*The Secretary of the Smithso-*
 13 *nian Institution, the Library of Congress, and all departments, agencies, and*
 14 *instrumentalities in the executive branch of the United States Government*
 15 *may assist the Council in carrying out its functions under this chapter.*

16 (f) *ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND SUPPORT.*—*The Secretary of the Inte-*
 17 *rior may provide administrative services and support to the Council on a re-*
 18 *imbursable basis.*

19 **§2308. Annual report**

20 *Each year, the Executive Director of the United States Holocaust Memorial*
 21 *Council shall submit to Congress a report on the Executive Director's steward-*
 22 *ship of the authority to construct, maintain, and operate the memorial mu-*
 23 *seum, including an accounting of all financial transactions involving donated*
 24 *funds.*

25 **§2309. Authorization of appropriations**

26 (a) *GENERAL.*—*Amounts necessary to carry out this chapter are authorized*
 27 *to be appropriated for each of the fiscal years ending September 30, 1997–*
 28 *2000. Notwithstanding any other law, necessary amounts are authorized to*
 29 *be appropriated to the Council to obtain, from a private insurance carrier,*
 30 *insurance against loss in connection with the memorial museum and related*
 31 *property and exhibits.*

32 (b) *USE OF AMOUNTS FOR CONSTRUCTION BARRED.*—*Amounts authorized*
 33 *under this chapter may not be used for construction.*

34 (c) *PRIOR AUTHORITY REQUIRED.*—*Authority to make contracts and to*
 35 *make payments under this chapter, using amounts authorized to be appro-*
 36 *priated under this section, are effective only to the extent, and in amounts,*
 37 *provided in advance in an appropriations law.*

38 **CHAPTER 25—PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON**
 39 **EMPLOYMENT OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

Sec.

2501. *Acceptance of voluntary services and money or property.*

2502. *Authorization of appropriations.*

1 **§2501. Acceptance of voluntary services and money or prop-**
 2 **erty**

3 *The President's Committee on Employment of People With Disabilities—*

4 (1) *notwithstanding section 1342 of title 31, may accept voluntary*
 5 *and uncompensated services; and*

6 (2) *may accept, use, and dispose of any money or property the Com-*
 7 *mittee receives.*

8 **§2502. Authorization of appropriations**

9 (a) *GENERAL.—Amounts necessary for the work of the President's Commit-*
 10 *tee on Employment of People With Disabilities are authorized to be appro-*
 11 *priated for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, to be expended in the*
 12 *manner and by agencies the President may direct.*

13 (b) *USES.—Amounts appropriated under this section are to be used to*
 14 *carry out the purposes of National Disability Employment Awareness Month*
 15 *and to enable the President to provide the Committee with adequate personnel*
 16 *to assist in its activities, and otherwise to provide the Committee with the*
 17 *means of carrying out a program to promote the employment of individuals*
 18 *with disabilities, by—*

19 (1) *creating interest throughout the United States in the rehabilitation*
 20 *and employment of such individuals; and*

21 (2) *obtaining and maintaining cooperation from all public and pri-*
 22 *vate groups in the field.*

23 **SUBTITLE II—PATRIOTIC AND NATIONAL**
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1 **PART A—GENERAL**

2 **CHAPTER 101—GENERAL**

3 *Sec.*

4 10101. *Audits.*

5 10102. *Reservation of right to amend or repeal.*

6 **§ 10101. Audits**

7 (a) *GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided, the financial statements of*
8 *each corporation in part B of this subtitle shall be audited annually in ac-*
9 *cordance with generally accepted auditing standards by an independent cer-*
10 *tified public accountant or independent licensed public accountant, certified*
11 *or licensed by a regulatory authority of a State or other political subdivision*
12 *of the United States. The audit shall be conducted where the financial state-*
13 *ments of the corporation normally are kept. The person conducting the audit*
14 *shall be given access to—*

15 (1) *all records and property owned or used by the corporation nec-*
16 *essary to facilitate the audit; and*

17 (2) *full facilities for verifying transactions with the balances or securi-*
18 *ties held by depositories, fiscal agents, and custodians.*

19 (b) *REPORT.—(1) The corporation shall submit a report of the audit to*
20 *Congress not later than 6 months after the close of the fiscal year for which*
21 *the audit is made. The report shall describe the scope of the audit and in-*
22 *clude—*

1 (3) to perpetuate the memory of those individuals and record their
2 contributions and achievements by the erection and maintenance of
3 buildings and monuments as may be appropriate as a lasting memorial;

4 (4) to promote a greater sense of appreciation of the dignity and im-
5 portance of agriculture, historically carried out through owner-operated
6 farms, and the part it has played in developing those social, economic,
7 and spiritual values which are essential in maintaining the free and
8 democratic institutions of our Republic;

9 (5) to establish and maintain a library and museum for the collection
10 and preservation for posterity of agricultural tools, implements, ma-
11 chines, vehicles, pictures, paintings, books, papers, documents, data, re-
12 lics, mementos, artifacts, and other items relating to agriculture;

13 (6) to cooperate with other organizations interested in similar projects;
14 and

15 (7) to engage in other activities appropriate to carry out its purposes.

16 **§20103. Membership**

17 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
18 *bership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of class-*
19 *es of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

20 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member given voting rights by the bylaws has one vote*
21 *on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the voting members. The*
22 *vote may be cast in the manner provided in the bylaws.*

23 **§20104. Governing body**

24 (a) *BOARD OF GOVERNORS.*—(1) *The board of governors is the governing*
25 *body of the corporation. Between meetings of the members of the corporation,*
26 *the board is responsible for the general policies and program of the corpora-*
27 *tion and for the control of all funds of the corporation.*

28 (2) *The number of governors, their manner of selection (including the fill-*
29 *ing of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the bylaws. How-*
30 *ever, the board shall have at least 15 members.*

31 (3) *The board may appoint committees. Each committee has the powers*
32 *provided in the bylaws or by resolution of the board. The powers of a commit-*
33 *tee may include all the powers of the board.*

34 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a president, one or*
35 *more one vice presidents as provided in the bylaws, a secretary, a treasurer,*
36 *one or more assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers, and other officers*
37 *as provided in the bylaws.*

38 (2) *The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as*
39 *provided in the bylaws.*

40 **§20105. Powers**

41 *The corporation may—*

1 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws for the management of its property and*
2 *the regulation of its affairs;*

3 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

4 (3) *choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities*
5 *of the corporation require;*

6 (4) *make contracts;*

7 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
8 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

9 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
10 *ligations by granting security interests in its property; and*

11 (7) *sue and be sued.*

12 **§20106. Restrictions**

13 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
14 *clare or pay a dividend.*

15 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a governor, officer, em-*
16 *ployee, or member as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political*
17 *party or candidate for public office.*

18 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
19 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a governor,*
20 *officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolu-*
21 *tion or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of*
22 *compensation to an officer or employee in an amount approved by the board*
23 *of governors.*

24 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a gov-*
25 *ernor, officer, employee, or member. Governors who vote for or assent to mak-*
26 *ing a loan or advance to a governor, officer, employee, or member, and officers*
27 *who participate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally lia-*
28 *ble to the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

29 (e) *CONTRIBUTIONS TO CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS.—None of the principal*
30 *or interest of a fund referred to in section 20102(1) of this title may be con-*
31 *tributed to an organization if—*

32 (1) *a substantial part of its activities is carrying on propaganda or*
33 *attempting to influence legislation; or*

34 (2) *any part of its net earnings benefits a private shareholder or indi-*
35 *vidual.*

36 **§20107. Principal office**

37 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in Kansas City, Kansas,*
38 *or another place decided by the board of governors. However, the activities*
39 *of the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is*
40 *located but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and posses-*
41 *sions of the United States.*

1 **§20108. Records and inspection**

2 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

3 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

4 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of governors, and*
 5 *committees having any of the authority of its board of governors; and*

6 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 7 *members entitled to vote.*

8 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 9 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 10 *at any reasonable time.*

11 **§20109. Service of process**

12 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 13 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 14 *agent is notice to or service on the corporation.*

15 **§20110. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

16 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 17 *the scope of their authority.*

18 **§20111. Use of assets on dissolution or final liquidation**

19 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets of the cor-*
 20 *poration remaining after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed*
 21 *as provided by the board of governors, but in compliance with the charter and*
 22 *bylaws.*

23 **CHAPTER 203—AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ARTS AND**
 24 **LETTERS**

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20301. *Organization.*

20302. *Purpose.*

20303. *Membership.*

20304. *Powers.*

20305. *Annual meeting.*

20306. *Annual report.*

20307. *Nonapplication of audit requirements.*

25 **§20301. Organization**

26 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*American Academy of Arts and Letters (in this*
 27 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

28 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION.*—*The corporation is declared to be incor-*
 29 *porated in the District of Columbia.*

30 **§20302. Purpose**

31 *The purpose of the corporation is to further the interests of literature and*
 32 *the fine arts.*

33 **§20303. Membership**

34 *The corporation may have not more than 50 regular members.*

1 **§20304. Powers**

2 *The corporation may—*

3 (1) *adopt bylaws and regulations;*

4 (2) *fill vacancies;*

5 (3) *provide for the election of foreign, domestic, or honorary associate*
6 *members, and the division of those members into classes;*

7 (4) *receive bequests and donations of property, hold the property in*
8 *trust, and invest the property to carry out the purpose of the corpora-*
9 *tion; and*

10 (5) *do any other act necessary or usual for such a corporation.*

11 **§20305. Annual meeting**

12 *The corporation shall hold an annual meeting at a place in the United*
13 *States as may be designated.*

14 **§20306. Annual report**

15 *The corporation shall make an annual report to Congress, to be filed with*
16 *the Librarian of Congress.*

17 **§20307. Nonapplication of audit requirements**

18 *The audit requirements of section 10101 of this title do not apply to the*
19 *corporation.*

20 **CHAPTER 205—AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY**

Sec.

20501. *Organization.*

20502. *Purposes.*

20503. *Powers.*

20504. *Cooperation with the military.*

20505. *Annual meeting.*

20506. *Annual report.*

21 **§20501. Organization**

22 *American Chemical Society (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a feder-*
23 *ally chartered corporation.*

24 **§20502. Purposes**

25 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

26 (1) *to encourage in the broadest and most liberal manner the advance-*
27 *ment of chemistry in all its branches;*

28 (2) *to promote research in chemical science and industry;*

29 (3) *to improve the qualifications and usefulness of chemists through*
30 *high standards of professional ethics, education, and attainments;*

31 (4) *to increase and diffuse chemical knowledge; and*

32 (5) *by its meetings, professional contacts, reports, papers, discussions,*
33 *and publications, to promote scientific interests and inquiry to foster*
34 *public welfare and education, aid the development of our country’s in-*
35 *dustry, and add to the material prosperity and happiness of our people.*

1 **§20503. Powers**

2 *The corporation may—*

3 *(1) adopt a constitution, bylaws, and regulations;*

4 *(2) fill vacancies;*

5 *(3) provide for the election of members and the division of those mem-*
6 *bers into classes;*

7 *(4) receive property, hold the property absolutely or in trust, invest*
8 *and manage the property, and use the property and income arising from*
9 *it to carry out the purposes of the corporation; and*

10 *(5) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
11 *of the corporation.*

12 **§20504. Cooperation with the military**

13 *(a) INVESTIGATIONS, EXAMINATIONS, EXPERIMENTS, AND REPORTS.—*
14 *When requested by the Secretary of the Army, Air Force, or Navy, the cor-*
15 *poration shall investigate, examine, experiment, and report on any subject in*
16 *pure or applied chemistry connected with the national defense.*

17 *(b) PAYMENTS.—The actual expense of those investigations, examinations,*
18 *experiments, and reports shall be paid from amounts appropriated for those*
19 *purposes, but the corporation may not receive compensation for any services*
20 *performed for the United States Government.*

21 *(c) TITLE AND LICENSE.—Title to inventions and discoveries made in the*
22 *course of those investigations, examinations, and experiments that the appro-*
23 *priate Secretary believes involve the national defense vest in the Government.*
24 *The Government shall have unlimited license under other inventions and dis-*
25 *coveries made in the course of those investigations, examinations, and experi-*
26 *ments.*

27 **§20505. Annual meeting**

28 *The corporation shall hold an annual meeting at a place in the United*
29 *States as may from time to time be designated.*

30 **§20506. Annual report**

31 *Not later than December 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a re-*
32 *port to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior calendar*
33 *year, including a complete statement of its receipts and expenditures. The re-*
34 *port may not be printed as a public document.*

35 **CHAPTER 207—AMERICAN COUNCIL OF LEARNED**
36 **SOCIETIES**

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20701. *Definition.*

20702. *Organization.*

20703. *Purposes.*

20704. *Membership.*

20705. *Governing body.*

20706. *Powers.*

20707. *Restrictions.*
 20708. *Duty to maintain tax-exempt status.*
 20709. *Records and inspection.*
 20710. *Service of process.*
 20711. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*
 20712. *Annual report.*

1 **§20701. Definition**

2 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 3 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

4 **§20702. Organization**

5 *American Council of Learned Societies (in this chapter, the “corporation”),*
 6 *a nonprofit corporation incorporated in the District of Columbia, is a feder-*
 7 *ally chartered corporation.*

8 **§20703. Purposes**

9 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
 10 *ration and include—*

11 *(1) the advancement of the humanistic studies in all fields of learning;*

12 *and*

13 *(2) the maintenance and strengthening of relations among the national*
 14 *societies devoted to those studies.*

15 **§20704. Membership**

16 *Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the cor-*
 17 *poration and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the con-*
 18 *stitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

19 **§20705. Governing body**

20 *(a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 21 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

22 *(b) OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
 23 *the articles of incorporation.*

24 **§20706. Powers**

25 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
 26 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

27 **§20707. Restrictions**

28 *(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 29 *clare or pay a dividend.*

30 *(b) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
 31 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
 32 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

33 *(c) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 34 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 35 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
 36 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*

1 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
 2 *the board of directors.*

3 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 4 *or employee.*

5 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.—The corporation*
 6 *may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United States*
 7 *Government for any of its activities.*

8 **§20708. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

9 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 10 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.). If*
 11 *the corporation does not maintain that status, the charter granted by this*
 12 *chapter expires.*

13 **§20709. Records and inspection**

14 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

15 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

16 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 17 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

18 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 19 *members entitled to vote.*

20 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 21 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 22 *at any reasonable time.*

23 **§20710. Service of process**

24 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 25 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 26 *ties.*

27 **§20711. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

28 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 29 *the scope of their authority.*

30 **§20712. Annual report**

31 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 32 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 33 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 34 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

35 **CHAPTER 209—AMERICAN EX-PRISONERS OF WAR**

Sec.

20901. *Definition.*

20902. *Organization.*

20903. *Purposes.*

20904. *Membership.*

20905. *Governing body.*

20906. *Powers.*

20907. *Exclusive right to name and emblem.*

20908. *Restrictions.*

20909. *Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status.*
 20910. *Records and inspection.*
 20911. *Service of process.*
 20912. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*
 20913. *Annual report.*

1 **§20901. Definition**

2 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 3 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

4 **§20902. Organization**

5 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—American Ex-Prisoners of War (in this chapter,*
 6 *the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in the State of*
 7 *Washington, is a federally chartered corporation.*

8 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 9 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

10 **§20903. Purposes**

11 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
 12 *ration and include—*

- 13 (1) *encouraging fraternity for the common good;*
 14 (2) *fostering patriotism and loyalty;*
 15 (3) *assisting widows and orphans of deceased ex-prisoners of war;*
 16 (4) *assisting ex-prisoners of war who have been injured or disabled as*
 17 *a result of their service;*
 18 (5) *maintaining allegiance to the United States;*
 19 (6) *preserving and defending the United States from all enemies; and*
 20 (7) *maintaining historical records.*

21 **§20904. Membership**

22 *Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the cor-*
 23 *poration and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the by-*
 24 *laws.*

25 **§20905. Governing body**

26 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 27 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

28 (b) *OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
 29 *the articles of incorporation.*

30 **§20906. Powers**

31 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
 32 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

33 **§20907. Exclusive right to name and emblem**

34 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use and to allow others to use*
 35 *the name “American Ex-Prisoners of War” and the official American Ex-*
 36 *Prisoners of War emblem or any colorable simulation of that emblem. This*
 37 *section does not affect any vested rights.*

1 **§20908. Restrictions**

2 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
3 clare or pay a dividend.

4 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
5 such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity
6 or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.

7 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
8 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
9 officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This
10 subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-
11 ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by
12 the board or directors.

13 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
14 or employee.

15 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—The corporation
16 may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United States
17 Government for any of its activities.

18 **§20909. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

19 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—The corporation shall maintain its status as a
20 corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Washington.

21 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—The corporation shall maintain its status as an
22 organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
23 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

24 **§20910. Records and inspection**

25 (a) *RECORDS.*—The Corporation shall keep—

26 (1) correct and complete records of account;

27 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
28 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

29 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
30 members entitled to vote.

31 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
32 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
33 at any reasonable time.

34 **§20911. Service of process**

35 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
36 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
37 ties.

38 **§20912. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

39 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
40 the scope of their authority.

1 **§20913. Annual report**

2 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 3 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 4 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 5 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

6 **CHAPTER 211—AMERICAN GOLD STAR MOTHERS,**
 7 **INCORPORATED**

Sec.

21101. *Definition.*
 21102. *Organization.*
 21103. *Purposes.*
 21104. *Membership.*
 21105. *Governing body.*
 21106. *Powers.*
 21107. *Restrictions.*
 21108. *Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status.*
 21109. *Records and inspection.*
 21110. *Service of process.*
 21111. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*
 21112. *Annual report.*

8 **§21101. Definition**

9 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 10 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

11 **§21102. Organization**

12 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—American Gold Star Mothers, Incorporated (in*
 13 *this chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in the District of Columbia, is*
 14 *a federally chartered corporation.*

15 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 16 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

17 **§21103. Purposes**

18 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
 19 *ration and include a continuing commitment, on a national basis, to—*

20 *(1) keep alive and develop the spirit that promoted world services;*

21 *(2) maintain the ties of fellowship born of that service, and assist and*
 22 *further all patriotic work;*

23 *(3) inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, State,*
 24 *and Nation;*

25 *(4) assist veterans of World War I, World War II, the Korean Conflict,*
 26 *Vietnam, and other strategic areas and their dependents in the presen-*
 27 *tation of claims to the Department of Veterans Affairs, and aid in any*
 28 *way in their power the men and women who served and died or were*
 29 *wounded or incapacitated during hostilities;*

30 *(5) perpetuate the memory of those whose lives were sacrificed in our*
 31 *Wars;*

32 *(6) maintain true allegiance to the United States;*

1 (7) *inculcate lessons of patriotism and love of country in the commu-*
2 *nities in which we live;*

3 (8) *inspire respect for the Stars and Stripes in the youth of America;*

4 (9) *extend needful assistance to all Gold Star Mothers and, when pos-*
5 *sible, to their descendants; and*

6 (10) *promote peace and good will for the United States and all other*
7 *Nations.*

8 **§21104. Membership**

9 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
10 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
11 *provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

12 (b) *NONDISCRIMINATION.—The terms of membership may not discriminate*
13 *on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin.*

14 **§21105. Governing body**

15 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
16 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

17 (b) *OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
18 *the articles of incorporation.*

19 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.—The requirements for holding office in the cor-*
20 *poration may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, or na-*
21 *tional origin.*

22 **§21106. Powers**

23 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
24 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

25 **§21107. Restrictions**

26 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
27 *clare or pay a dividend.*

28 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
29 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
30 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
31 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
32 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
33 *the board of directors.*

34 (c) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
35 *or employee.*

36 (d) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.—The corpora-*
37 *tion may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
38 *States Government for any of its activities.*

1 **§21108. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

2 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—The corporation shall maintain its status as a
3 corporation incorporated under the laws of each State in which it is incor-
4 porated.

5 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—The corporation shall maintain its status as an
6 organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
7 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

8 **§21109. Records and inspection**

9 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

10 (1) correct and complete records of account;

11 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
12 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

13 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
14 members entitled to vote.

15 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
16 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
17 at any reasonable time.

18 **§21110. Service of process**

19 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
20 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
21 ties.

22 **§21111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

23 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
24 the scope of their authority.

25 **§21112. Annual report**

26 The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities
27 of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted
28 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
29 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

30 **CHAPTER 213—AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

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21301. Organization.

21302. Purposes.

21303. Powers.

21304. Annual meeting.

21305. Principal office.

21306. Historical collections.

21307. Annual report.

31 **§21301. Organization**

32 American Historical Association (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a
33 body corporate and politic in the District of Columbia.

34 **§21302. Purposes**

35 The purposes of the corporation are—

- 1 (1) to promote historical studies;
 2 (2) to collect and preserve historical manuscripts; and
 3 (3) other kindred purposes in the interest of American history and of
 4 history in America.

5 **§21303. Powers**

- 6 *The corporation may—*
 7 (1) adopt a constitution and bylaws; and
 8 (2) hold property in the District of Columbia necessary to carry out
 9 the purposes of the corporation.

10 **§21304. Annual meeting**

- 11 *The corporation may hold its annual meeting in a place the members of*
 12 *the corporation select.*

13 **§21305. Principal office**

- 14 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.*

15 **§21306. Historical collections**

- 16 *The Regents of the Smithsonian Institution may allow the corporation to*
 17 *deposit its collections, manuscripts, books, pamphlets, and other historical ma-*
 18 *terial in the Smithsonian Institution or the National Museum on conditions*
 19 *and under regulations the Regents prescribe.*

20 **§21307. Annual report**

- 21 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to the Secretary of the*
 22 *Smithsonian Institution on the activities of the corporation and the condition*
 23 *of historical study in America. The Secretary shall submit to Congress any*
 24 *part of the report the Secretary decides is appropriate.*

25 **CHAPTER 215—AMERICAN HOSPITAL OF PARIS**

Sec.

21501. *Organization.*
 21502. *Purpose.*
 21503. *Governing body.*
 21504. *Acquisition and management of property.*
 21505. *Charges for medical services.*
 21506. *Principal office.*
 21507. *Nonapplication of audit requirements.*

26 **§21501. Organization**

- 27 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—American Hospital of Paris (in this chapter, the*
 28 *“corporation”)* is a federally chartered corporation.

- 29 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION.—The corporation is declared to be incor-*
 30 *porated in the District of Columbia.*

- 31 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 32 *tion has perpetual existence.*

1 **§21502. Purpose**

2 *The purpose of the corporation is to maintain a hospital in the vicinity*
3 *of Paris, France, to provide medical and surgical care to citizens of the Unit-*
4 *ed States.*

5 **§21503. Governing body**

6 (a) *GENERAL.—(1) The board of governors is the governing body of the cor-*
7 *poration.*

8 (2) *The board shall have at least 12 governors, divided into 3 classes of*
9 *equal numbers. One class of governors shall be elected each year for a term*
10 *of 3 years or until their successors are elected. The corporation shall elect the*
11 *governors at its annual meeting.*

12 (b) *QUORUM.—Five governors are a quorum for the transaction of business,*
13 *except that a majority vote of the board is required for—*

14 (1) *the sale or alienation of any real or personal estate of the corpora-*
15 *tion; or*

16 (2) *the leasing of real estate of the corporation for a term of more than*
17 *one year.*

18 (c) *POWERS.—The board may—*

19 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws, as may be necessary and proper, related*
20 *to—*

21 (A) *elections and meetings;*

22 (B) *qualifications and duties of governors and officers;*

23 (C) *admission and qualifications of members; and*

24 (D) *management and disposition of the property, business, and*
25 *concerns of the corporation;*

26 (2) *conduct all business of the corporation;*

27 (3) *fill, until the next annual election, a vacancy on the board; and*

28 (4) *appoint attending and resident physicians and surgeons, agents,*
29 *assistants, and attendants as may be necessary, set their compensation,*
30 *and discharge them.*

31 **§21504. Acquisition and management of property**

32 *The corporation may acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property,*
33 *in the United States and France, to carry out the purposes of the corporation.*

34 **§21505. Charges for medical services**

35 *The corporation may charge a reasonable compensation for providing medi-*
36 *cal and surgical services or may provide those services without charge.*
37 *Amounts received under this section shall be used to carry out the purposes*
38 *of the corporation.*

1 **§21506. Principal office**

2 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.*
 3 *However, offices may be maintained and meetings of the board of governors*
 4 *and committees may be held elsewhere.*

5 **§21507. Nonapplication of audit requirements**

6 *The audit requirements of section 10101 of this title do not apply to the*
 7 *corporation.*

8 **CHAPTER 217—THE AMERICAN LEGION**

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21701. Organization.

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9 **§21701. Organization**

10 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*The American Legion (in this chapter, the “cor-*
 11 *poration”)* is a federally chartered corporation.

12 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 13 *tion has perpetual existence.*

14 **§21702. Purposes**

15 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

16 (1) *to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States;*

17 (2) *to promote peace and good will among the peoples of the United*
 18 *States and all the nations of the earth;*

19 (3) *to preserve the memories and incidents of the 2 World Wars and*
 20 *the other great hostilities fought to uphold democracy;*

21 (4) *to cement the ties and comradeship born of service; and*

22 (5) *to consecrate the efforts of its members to mutual helpfulness and*
 23 *service to their country.*

24 **§21703. Membership**

25 *An individual is eligible for membership in the corporation only if the in-*
 26 *dividual—*

27 (1) *has served in the armed forces of—*

28 (A) *the United States at any time during any period from—*

29 (i) *April 6, 1917, through November 11, 1918;*

30 (ii) *December 7, 1941, through December 31, 1946;*

31 (iii) *June 25, 1950, through January 31, 1955;*

32 (iv) *December 22, 1961, through May 7, 1975;*

33 (v) *August 24, 1982, through July 31, 1984;*

34 (vi) *December 20, 1989, through January 31, 1990; or*

- 1 (vii) August 2, 1990, through the date of cessation of hos-
 2 tilities, as decided by the United States Government; or
 3 (B) a government associated with the United States during a pe-
 4 riod referred to in subclause (A) of this clause and was a citizen
 5 of the United States when the individual entered that service; and
 6 (2) was honorably discharged or separated from that service or contin-
 7 ues to serve honorably after that period.

8 **§21704. Powers**

9 The corporation may—

- 10 (1) adopt a constitution, bylaws, and regulations to carry out the pur-
 11 poses of the corporation;
 12 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;
 13 (3) establish and maintain offices to conduct its activities;
 14 (4) establish State and territorial organizations and local chapter or
 15 post organizations;
 16 (5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
 17 to carry out the purposes of the corporation;
 18 (6) publish a magazine and other publications;
 19 (7) sue and be sued; and
 20 (8) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes
 21 of the corporation.

22 **§21705. Exclusive right to name, emblems, and badges**

23 The corporation and its State and local subdivisions have the exclusive
 24 right to use the name “The American Legion” or “American Legion”. The
 25 corporation has the exclusive right to use, manufacture, and control the right
 26 to manufacture, emblems and badges the corporation adopts.

27 **§21706. Political activities**

28 The corporation shall be nonpolitical and may not promote the candidacy
 29 of an individual seeking public office.

30 **§21707. Service of process**

31 As a condition to the exercise of any power or privilege granted by this
 32 chapter, the corporation shall file, with the secretary of state or other des-
 33 ignated official of each State, the name and address of an agent in that State
 34 on whom legal process or demands against the corporation may be served.

35 **§21708. Annual report**

36 Not later than January 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a re-
 37 port to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior calendar
 38 year. The report may not be printed as a public document.

39 **CHAPTER 219—THE AMERICAN NATIONAL THEATER AND**
 40 **ACADEMY**

Sec.

21901. *Organization.*
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 21903. *Powers.*
 21904. *Exclusive right to name.*
 21905. *Restrictions.*
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 21908. *Annual report.*

1 **§21901. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*The American National Theater and Academy*
 3 *(in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

4 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 5 *tion has perpetual existence.*

6 **§21902. Purposes**

7 *The purposes of the corporation include—*

8 (1) *the presentation of theatrical productions of the highest type;*

9 (2) *the stimulation of public interest in the drama as an art belonging*
 10 *both to the theater and to literature and to be enjoyed both on the stage*
 11 *and in the study;*

12 (3) *the advancement of interest in the drama throughout the United*
 13 *States by furthering the production of the best plays, interpreted by the*
 14 *best actors at a minimum cost;*

15 (4) *the further development of the study of drama of the present and*
 16 *past in our universities, colleges, schools, and elsewhere; and*

17 (5) *the sponsoring, encouraging, and developing of the art and tech-*
 18 *nique of the theater through a school within the National Academy.*

19 **§21903. Powers**

20 *The corporation may—*

21 (1) *adopt a constitution, bylaws, and regulations;*

22 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

23 (3) *establish and maintain offices and buildings to conduct its activi-*
 24 *ties;*

25 (4) *establish State and territorial organizations and local branches;*

26 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 27 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation, subject to its constitution*
 28 *and instructions of donors;*

29 (6) *sue and be sued; and*

30 (7) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 31 *of the corporation.*

32 **§21904. Exclusive right to name**

33 *The corporation and its State and local branches and subdivisions have the*
 34 *exclusive right to use the name “The American National Theater and Acad-*
 35 *emy”.*

1 **§21905. Restrictions**

2 (a) *PROFIT AND STOCK.*—*The corporation shall be nonprofit and may not*
3 *issue stock.*

4 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation shall be nonpolitical and non-*
5 *sectarian, and may not promote the candidacy of an individual seeking pub-*
6 *lic office.*

7 (c) *HONORARY MEMBERS.*—*The corporation may not have honorary mem-*
8 *bers.*

9 **§21906. Headquarters and meetings**

10 *The corporation may have its headquarters and hold its meetings at places*
11 *the corporation decides are best.*

12 **§21907. Service of process**

13 *As a condition to the exercise of any power or privilege granted by this*
14 *chapter, the corporation shall file, with the secretary of state or other des-*
15 *ignated official of the District of Columbia or of each State, territory, or pos-*
16 *session of the United States in which its headquarters, branches, or subdivi-*
17 *sions are located, the name and address of an agent in that jurisdiction on*
18 *whom legal process or demands against the corporation may be served.*

19 **§21908. Annual report**

20 *Not later than January 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a re-*
21 *port to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior calendar*
22 *year, including a complete report of its receipts and expenditures. The report*
23 *may not be printed as a public document.*

24 **CHAPTER 221—THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF**
25 **INTERNATIONAL LAW**

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22101. *Organization.*

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22104. *Powers.*

22105. *Restrictions.*

22106. *Principal office.*

22107. *Records and inspection.*

22108. *Service of process.*

22109. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*

26 **§22101. Organization**

27 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*The American Society of International Law (in*
28 *this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

29 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
30 *tion has perpetual existence.*

31 **§22102. Purposes**

32 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

33 (1) *to foster the study of international law; and*

1 (2) to promote the establishment and maintenance of international re-
2 lations on the basis of law and justice.

3 **§22103. Governing body**

4 (a) EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.—(1) The executive council is the governing body
5 of the corporation. However, the council is subject to the directions of the cor-
6 poration at its annual meetings and at any other meeting called under the
7 constitution, bylaws, or regulations of the corporation.

8 (2) The council consists of a president, an honorary president, a number
9 of vice presidents and honorary vice presidents as provided in the constitu-
10 tion, a secretary, a treasurer, and at least 24 additional individuals.

11 (b) ELECTION AND TERMS.—The officers of the corporation and one-third
12 of the other members of the council shall be elected at each annual meeting
13 of the corporation. However, the constitution may authorize the council—

14 (1) to elect the secretary and the treasurer of the corporation for speci-
15 fied terms; and

16 (2) to fill vacancies until the next annual meeting.

17 **§22104. Powers**

18 The corporation may—

19 (1) adopt and amend a constitution, bylaws, and regulations for the
20 management of its property and the regulation of its affairs;

21 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

22 (3) choose officers, managers, and agents as the activities of the cor-
23 poration require;

24 (4) make contracts;

25 (5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
26 to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

27 (6) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
28 ligations by granting security interests in its property;

29 (7) publish a journal and other publications;

30 (8) sue and be sued; and

31 (9) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes
32 of the corporation.

33 **§22105. Restrictions**

34 (a) PROFIT.—The corporation may not operate for profit.

35 (b) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
36 clare or pay a dividend.

37 (c) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or an officer or member of the
38 executive council as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political
39 party or candidate for elective public office.

40 (d) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the
41 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a member

1 of the corporation or an officer or member of the executive council, except on
2 the dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation.

3 (e) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to an officer
4 or member of the executive council. Members of the council who vote for or
5 assent to making a loan or advance to an officer or member of the council,
6 and officers who participate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and
7 severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until
8 it is repaid.

9 **§22106. Principal office**

10 The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.
11 However, the activities of the corporation are not confined to the District of
12 Columbia but may be conducted throughout the United States.

13 **§22107. Records and inspection**

14 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

15 (1) correct and complete records of account;

16 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, executive council, and
17 committees having any of the authority of its executive council; and

18 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
19 members entitled to vote.

20 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may
21 inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-
22 able time.

23 **§22108. Service of process**

24 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
25 to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the
26 agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service
27 on the corporation.

28 **§22109. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

29 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
30 the scope of their authority.

31 **CHAPTER 223—AMERICAN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**
32 **LEAGUE**

Sec.

22301. Organization.

22302. Purposes.

22303. Membership.

22304. Governing body.

22305. Powers.

22306. Exclusive right to name, insignia, emblems, and badges.

22307. Restrictions.

22308. Principal office.

22309. Records and inspection.

22310. Service of process.

22311. Liability for acts of officers and agents.

22312. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation.

1 **§22301. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*American Symphony Orchestra League (in this*
3 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

4 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
5 *tion has perpetual existence.*

6 **§22302. Purposes**

7 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

8 (1) *to serve as a coordinating, research, and educational agency and*
9 *clearinghouse for symphony orchestras to help strengthen the work in*
10 *their local communities;*

11 (2) *to assist in the formation of new symphony orchestras;*

12 (3) *to encourage and recognize the work of America’s musicians, con-*
13 *ductors, and composers, through suitable means; and*

14 (4) *to aid the expansion of the musical and cultural life of the United*
15 *States through suitable educational and service activities.*

16 **§22303. Membership**

17 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
18 *bership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of class-*
19 *es of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corpora-*
20 *tion.*

21 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member (except an honorary, sustaining, or associate*
22 *member) has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the*
23 *members.*

24 **§22304. Governing body**

25 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) *The board of directors is the governing*
26 *body of the corporation. Between meetings of the members of the corporation,*
27 *the board is responsible for the general policies and program of the corpora-*
28 *tion and for the control of contributions raised by the corporation.*

29 (2) *The number of directors, their manner of selection (including the filling*
30 *of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the constitution and*
31 *bylaws of the corporation.*

32 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a president, one or*
33 *more vice presidents as provided in the constitution and bylaws, a secretary,*
34 *a treasurer, and one or more assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers as*
35 *provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

36 (2) *The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as*
37 *provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

38 **§22305. Powers**

39 *The corporation may—*

40 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
41 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

1 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

2 (3) *choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities*
3 *of the corporation require;*

4 (4) *make contracts;*

5 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
6 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

7 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
8 *ligations by granting security interests in its property; and*

9 (7) *sue and be sued.*

10 **§22306. *Exclusive right to name, insignia, emblems, and***
11 ***badges***

12 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “American Sym-*
13 *phony Orchestra League” and distinctive insignia, emblems and badges, de-*
14 *scriptive or designating marks, and words or phrases required to carry out*
15 *the duties and powers of the corporation. This section does not affect any vest-*
16 *ed rights.*

17 **§22307. *Restrictions***

18 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
19 *clare or pay a dividend.*

20 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
21 *such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate*
22 *for public office.*

23 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
24 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
25 *officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolu-*
26 *tion or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of*
27 *compensation to an officer in an amount approved by the board of directors.*

28 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a direc-*
29 *tor, officer, or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan*
30 *or advance to a director, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in*
31 *making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation*
32 *for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

33 **§22308. *Principal office***

34 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in Charleston, West Vir-*
35 *ginia, or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activi-*
36 *ties of the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office*
37 *is located but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and posses-*
38 *sions of the United States.*

39 **§22309. *Records and inspection***

40 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

41 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

1 (2) to maintain the ties of fellowship born of that service and to assist
2 and further any patriotic work;

3 (3) to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community,
4 State, and Nation;

5 (4) to work for the welfare of the Army and Navy;

6 (5) to assist, in any way in their power, men and women who served
7 and were wounded or incapacitated in World War I; and

8 (6) to foster and promote friendship and understanding between Amer-
9 ica and the Allies in World War I.

10 **§22503. Membership**

11 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation is limited to women—*

12 (1) who are citizens of the United States; and

13 (2) whose natural son or daughter, legally adopted son or daughter,
14 or stepson or stepdaughter—

15 (A) served in the armed forces of the United States or its allies
16 in World War I, World War II, the Korean conflict, or any subse-
17 quent war or conflict involving the United States; and

18 (B) was honorably discharged from that service or continues in
19 the service.

20 **§22504. Powers**

21 *The corporation may—*

22 (1) adopt a constitution, bylaws, and regulations;

23 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

24 (3) adopt emblems and badges;

25 (4) establish and maintain offices to conduct its activities;

26 (5) establish State, territorial, and local subdivisions;

27 (6) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
28 to carry out the purposes of the corporation, subject to section 22506(b)
29 of this title;

30 (7) publish a magazine and other publications;

31 (8) sue and be sued; and

32 (9) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out its purposes.

33 **§22505. Exclusive right to name**

34 *The corporation and its State, territorial, and local subdivisions have the*
35 *exclusive right to use the name “American War Mothers”.*

36 **§22506. Restrictions**

37 (a) *GENERAL.—The corporation shall be nonprofit, nonpolitical, non-*
38 *sectarian, and nonpartisan, and may not promote the candidacy of an indi-*
39 *vidual seeking public office.*

1 (b) *OWNERSHIP AND USE OF PROPERTY.*—*The corporation may not accept,*
 2 *own, or hold, directly or indirectly, any property not reasonably necessary*
 3 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation.*

4 **§22507. Tax-exempt status**

5 *The personal property and funds of the corporation, whether principal or*
 6 *income, so long as held or used only to carry out the purposes of the corpora-*
 7 *tion, are exempt from taxation by the United States Government, the District*
 8 *of Columbia, and the territories and possessions of the United States.*

9 **§22508. Meetings**

10 *The corporation may hold its meetings at any place the corporation de-*
 11 *cides.*

12 **§22509. Service of process**

13 *As a condition to the exercise of any power or privilege granted by this*
 14 *chapter, the corporation shall file, with the secretary of state or other des-*
 15 *ignated official of each State, the name and address of an agent in that State*
 16 *on whom legal process or demands against the corporation may be served.*

17 **§22510. Annual report**

18 *Not later than January 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a re-*
 19 *port to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior calendar*
 20 *year. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

21 **CHAPTER 227—AMVETS (AMERICAN VETERANS OF**
 22 **WORLD WAR II, KOREA, AND VIETNAM)**

23 *Sec.*

24 22701. *Organization.*

25 22702. *Purposes.*

26 22703. *Membership.*

27 22704. *Governing body.*

28 22705. *Powers.*

29 22706. *Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges.*

30 22707. *Restrictions.*

31 22708. *Headquarters and principal place of business.*

32 22709. *Records and inspection.*

 22710. *Service of process.*

 22711. *Liability for acts of officials, representatives, and agents.*

 22712. *Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation.*

23 **§22701. Organization**

24 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*AMVETS (American Veterans of World War II,*
 25 *Korea, and Vietnam) (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally char-*
 26 *tered corporation.*

27 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 28 *tion has perpetual existence.*

29 **§22702. Purposes**

30 *The purposes of corporation are—*

31 (1) *to preserve for ourselves and our posterity the great and basic*
 32 *truths and enduring principles upon which this Nation was founded;*

1 (2) to maintain a continuing interest in the welfare and rehabilitation
2 of the disabled veterans of World War II, the Korean conflict, and the
3 Vietnam era and to establish facilities for the assistance of all veterans
4 and to represent them in their claims before the Department of Veterans
5 Affairs and other organizations without charge;

6 (3) to dedicate ourselves to the service and best interests of the commu-
7 nity, State, and Nation to the end that our country shall be and remain
8 forever a whole, strong, and free Nation;

9 (4) to aid and encourage the abolition of prejudice, ignorance, and dis-
10 ease;

11 (5) to encourage universal exercise of the voting franchise to the end
12 that there shall be elected and maintained in public office men and
13 women who hold public office as a public trust administered in the best
14 interests of all the people;

15 (6) to advocate the development and means by which all Americans
16 may become enlightened and informed citizens and thus participate fully
17 in the functions of our democracy;

18 (7) to encourage and support an international organization of all
19 peace-loving nations to the end that not again shall any nation be per-
20 mitted to breach their national peace;

21 (8) to continue to serve the best interests of our Nation in peace as
22 in war;

23 (9) to develop to the utmost the human, mental, spiritual, and eco-
24 nomic resources of our Nation;

25 (10) to perpetuate and preserve the friendships and comradeship born
26 on the battle front and nurtured in the common experience of service to
27 our Nation during time of war; and

28 (11) to honor the memory of those men and women who gave their
29 lives that a free America and a free world might live by the creation
30 of living memorials in the form of additional educational, cultural, and
31 recreational facilities.

32 **§22703. Membership**

33 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-
34 bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as
35 provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

36 (b) *VOTING.*—Each member has one vote in the conduct of official business
37 at the post level.

38 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—The terms of membership may not discriminate
39 on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

1 **§22704. Governing body**

2 (a) *DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS.*—Each post may elect dele-
3 gates to national conventions of the corporation. The delegates each have one
4 vote in the conduct of business of the convention to which they are elected.

5 (b) *EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.*—The executive committee of the corporation
6 consists of—

7 (1) one member elected to represent each department; and

8 (2) the officers of the corporation as *ex officio* members.

9 (c) *OFFICERS.*—(1) The officers of the corporation are a national com-
10 mander, 7 national vice commanders, one of whom shall be a woman, a fi-
11 nance officer, an adjutant, a judge advocate, and a provost marshal.

12 (2) The officers shall be elected by the delegates at the annual national con-
13 vention.

14 (d) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—The requirements for holding office in the cor-
15 poration may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or
16 national origin.

17 **§22705. Powers**

18 (a) *GENERAL.*—The corporation may—

19 (1) adopt bylaws and regulations for the management of its property
20 and the regulation of its affairs;

21 (2) adopt seals, emblems, and badges;

22 (3) choose officers, representatives, and agents as necessary to carry
23 out the purposes of the corporation;

24 (4) make contracts;

25 (5) establish State and regional organizations and local posts;

26 (6) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
27 to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

28 (7) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
29 ligations by granting security interests in its property;

30 (8) publish a magazine, newspaper, and other publications consistent
31 with the purposes of the corporation;

32 (9) sue and be sued; and

33 (10) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes
34 of the corporation.

35 (b) *POWERS GRANTED TO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.*—The provisions, privi-
36 leges, and prerogatives granted before July 24, 1947, to other national veter-
37 ans' organizations because of their incorporation by Congress are granted to
38 the corporation.

39 **§22706. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges**

40 The corporation and its State, regional, and local subdivisions have the ex-
41 clusive right to use the name “AMVETS (American Veterans of World War

1 *II, Korea, and Vietnam)” and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation*
 2 *adopts.*

3 **§22707. Restrictions**

4 (a) *PROFIT.*—*The corporation shall operate as a not-for-profit corporation,*
 5 *exclusively for charitable, educational, patriotic, and civic improvement pur-*
 6 *poses.*

7 (b) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 8 *clare or pay a dividend.*

9 (c) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or an officer of the corpora-*
 10 *tion or member of its executive committee as such may not contribute to, sup-*
 11 *port, or assist a political party or candidate for elective public office. The cor-*
 12 *poration may not carry on propaganda.*

13 (d) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
 14 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 15 *officer, or member of the corporation, except on dissolution or final liquida-*
 16 *tion of the corporation.*

17 (e) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a director*
 18 *or officer. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan or advance to*
 19 *a director or officer, and officers who participate in making the loan or ad-*
 20 *vance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of*
 21 *the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

22 **§22708. Headquarters and principal place of business**

23 *The headquarters and principal place of business of the corporation shall*
 24 *be in the District of Columbia. However, the activities of the corporation are*
 25 *not confined to the District of Columbia but may be conducted throughout the*
 26 *States, territories, and possessions of the United States.*

27 **§22709. Records and inspection**

28 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

29 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

30 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, executive committee,*
 31 *and committees having any of the authority of its executive committee;*
 32 *and*

33 (3) *at its registered or principal office, a record of the names and ad-*
 34 *dresses of its members entitled to vote.*

35 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may*
 36 *inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-*
 37 *able time.*

38 **§22710. Service of process**

39 (a) *DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.*—*The corporation shall have a designated*
 40 *agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the*

1 corporation. Notice to or service on the agent, or mailed to the business ad-
2 dress of the agent, is notice to or service on the corporation.

3 (b) STATES.—As a condition to the exercise of any power or privilege
4 granted by this chapter, the corporation shall file, with the secretary of state
5 or other designated official of each State, the name and address of an agent
6 in that State on whom legal process or demands against the corporation may
7 be served.

8 **§22711. Liability for acts of officials, representatives, and**
9 **agents**

10 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officials, representatives, and*
11 *agents acting within the scope of their authority.*

12 **§22712. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
13 **uidation**

14 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
15 *after the discharge or satisfactory provision for discharge of all liabilities*
16 *shall be transferred to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to be applied to the*
17 *care and comfort of disabled veterans of World War II, the Korean conflict,*
18 *and the Vietnam era.*

19 **CHAPTER 229—ARMY AND NAVY UNION OF THE UNITED**
20 **STATES OF AMERICA**

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21 **§22901. Definition**

22 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
23 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

24 **§22902. Organization**

25 (a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—*Army and Navy Union of the United States of*
26 *America (in this chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in Ohio, is a feder-*
27 *ally chartered corporation.*

28 (b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—*If the corporation does not comply with*
29 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

30 **§22903. Purposes**

31 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-*
32 *tion and include—*

1 (1) holding true allegiance to the United States Government and fidel-
2 ity to its Constitution, laws, and institutions;

3 (2) serving our Nation under God in peace as well as in war by foster-
4 ing the ideals of faith and patriotism, loyalty, justice, and liberty, by
5 inculcating in the hearts of young and old, through precept and practice,
6 the spirit of true Americanism, and by participating in civic activities
7 for the good of our country and our community;

8 (3) uniting in fraternal fellowship those who have served, or are now
9 serving, honorably in the armed forces of the United States;

10 (4) protecting and advancing their civic, social, and economic welfare;

11 (5) aiding them in sickness and distress;

12 (6) assisting in the burial and commemoration of their dead and pro-
13 viding help for their widows and orphans; and

14 (7) perpetuating the memory of patriotic deeds performed by the de-
15 fenders of our country.

16 **§22904. Membership**

17 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges*
18 *of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

19 **§22905. Governing body**

20 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
21 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

22 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
23 *the articles of incorporation.*

24 **§22906. Powers**

25 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
26 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

27 **§22907. Restrictions**

28 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
29 *clare or pay a dividend.*

30 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director or officer as*
31 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
32 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

33 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
34 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
35 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
36 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
37 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
38 *the board of directors.*

39 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
40 *or employee.*

1 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—The corporation
2 may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United States
3 Government for any of its activities.

4 **§ 22908. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

5 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—The corporation shall maintain its status as a
6 corporation incorporated under the laws of Ohio.

7 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—The corporation shall maintain its status as an
8 organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
9 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

10 **§ 22909. Records and inspection**

11 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

12 (1) correct and complete records of account;

13 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
14 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

15 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
16 members entitled to vote.

17 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
18 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
19 at any reasonable time.

20 **§ 22910. Service of process**

21 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
22 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
23 ties.

24 **§ 22911. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

25 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
26 the scope of their authority.

27 **§ 22912. Annual report**

28 The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities
29 of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted
30 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
31 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

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1 **§23101. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Aviation Hall of Fame (in this chapter, the “cor-*
3 *poration”)* is a federally chartered corporation.

4 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
5 *tion has perpetual existence.*

6 **§23102. Purposes**

7 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

8 (1) *to receive and maintain one or more funds and to use any part*
9 *of the principal and income only for charitable, scientific, literary, or*
10 *educational purposes, either directly or by contributing to organizations*
11 *authorized to carry on similar activities;*

12 (2) *to honor citizens, aviation leaders, pilots, teachers, scientists, engi-*
13 *neers, inventors, governmental leaders, and other individuals who have*
14 *helped to make this Nation great by their outstanding contributions to*
15 *the establishment, development, advancement, or improvement of avia-*
16 *tion in the United States;*

17 (3) *to perpetuate the memory of those individuals and record their*
18 *contributions and achievements by the erection and maintenance of*
19 *buildings and monuments as may be appropriate as a lasting memorial;*

20 (4) *to promote a better sense of appreciation of the origins and growth*
21 *of aviation, especially in the United States, and the part aviation has*
22 *played in changing the economic, social, and scientific aspects of our Na-*
23 *tion;*

24 (5) *to establish and maintain a library and museum for the collection*
25 *and preservation for posterity of the history of those honored by the orga-*
26 *nization, together with a documentation of their accomplishments and*
27 *contributions to aviation, including items such as aviation pictures,*
28 *paintings, books, papers, documents, scientific data, relics, mementos, ar-*
29 *tifacts, and other items related to that history;*

30 (6) *to cooperate with other recognized aviation organizations actively*
31 *engaged and interested in similar projects; and*

32 (7) *to engage in any other activities appropriate to carry out the pur-*
33 *poses of the corporation.*

34 **§23103. Membership**

35 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
36 *bership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of class-*
37 *es of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

38 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member given voting rights by the bylaws has one vote*
39 *on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the voting members. The*
40 *vote may be cast in the manner provided in the bylaws.*

1 **§23104. Governing body**

2 (a) *BOARD OF TRUSTEES.*—(1) *The board of trustees is the governing body*
 3 *of the corporation. Between meetings of the members of the corporation, the*
 4 *board is responsible for the general policies and program of the corporation*
 5 *and for the control of all funds of the corporation.*

6 (2) *The number of trustees, their manner of selection (including the filling*
 7 *of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the bylaws. However,*
 8 *the board shall have at least 18 members.*

9 (3) *The board may appoint committees. Each committee has the powers*
 10 *provided in the bylaws or by resolution of the board. The powers of a commit-*
 11 *tee may include all the powers of the board.*

12 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a president, one or*
 13 *more vice presidents as provided in the bylaws, a secretary, a treasurer, and*
 14 *other officers as provided in the bylaws.*

15 (2) *The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as*
 16 *provided in the bylaws.*

17 (c)(1) *BOARD OF NOMINATIONS.*—*The board of trustees shall appoint a*
 18 *board of nominations, consisting of at least 24 members, from members of the*
 19 *corporation not concurrently serving as members of the board of trustees.*
 20 *Those individuals serve for the term provided in the bylaws.*

21 (2) *The board of nominations shall nominate United States citizens or resi-*
 22 *dents to be honored by the corporation and recommend those persons to the*
 23 *board of trustees for consideration as provided in the bylaws.*

24 **§23105. Powers**

25 *The corporation may—*

26 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws for the management of its property and*
 27 *the regulation of its affairs;*

28 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

29 (3) *choose officers, trustees, managers, agents, and employees as the ac-*
 30 *tivities of the corporation require;*

31 (4) *make contracts;*

32 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 33 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

34 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 35 *ligations by granting security interests in its property; and*

36 (7) *sue and be sued.*

37 **§23106. Restrictions**

38 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 39 *clare or pay a dividend.*

40 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a trustee, officer, employee,*
 41 *member of the board of nominations, or member of the corporation as such*

1 *may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate for*
 2 *public office.*

3 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
 4 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a trustee,*
 5 *officer, member of the board of nominations, or member of the corporation,*
 6 *as such, during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or final liq-*
 7 *uidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable com-*
 8 *penensation to an officer or employee in an amount approved by the board of*
 9 *trustees.*

10 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a trustee,*
 11 *officer, employee, member of the board of nominations, or member of the cor-*
 12 *poration. Trustees who vote for or assent to making such a loan or advance,*
 13 *and officers who participate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and*
 14 *severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until*
 15 *it is repaid.*

16 (e) *CONTRIBUTIONS TO CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS.*—*None of the principal*
 17 *or interest of a fund referred to in section 23102(1) of this title may be con-*
 18 *tributed to an organization if—*

19 (1) *a substantial part of its activities is carrying on propaganda or*
 20 *attempting to influence legislation; or*

21 (2) *any part of its net earnings benefits a private shareholder or indi-*
 22 *vidual.*

23 **§23107. Principal office**

24 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in Dayton, Ohio, or another*
 25 *place decided by the board of trustees. However, the activities of the corpora-*
 26 *tion are not confined to the place where the principal office is located but*
 27 *may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions of the*
 28 *United States.*

29 **§23108. Records and inspection**

30 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

31 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

32 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of trustees, board*
 33 *of nominations, and committees having any of the authority of its board*
 34 *of trustees; and*

35 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 36 *members entitled to vote.*

37 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 38 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 39 *at any reasonable time.*

1 **§23109. Statement required in audit report**

2 *The corporation shall include in the audit report statement required under*
 3 *section 10101(b)(1)(B) of this title a schedule of all contracts requiring pay-*
 4 *ments greater than \$10,000 and all payments of compensation or fees at a*
 5 *rate greater than \$10,000 a year.*

6 **§23110. Service of process**

7 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 8 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 9 *agent is notice to or service on the corporation.*

10 **§23111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

11 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 12 *the scope of their authority.*

13 **§23112. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 14 **uidation**

15 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 16 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 17 *board of trustees, but consistent with the purposes of the corporation and in*
 18 *compliance with the charter and bylaws.*

19 **CHAPTER 301—BIG BROTHERS—BIG SISTERS OF**
 20 **AMERICA**

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21 **§30101. Organization**

22 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Big Brothers—Big Sisters of America (in this*
 23 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

24 *(b) PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is de-*
 25 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

26 *(c) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 27 *tion has perpetual existence.*

28 **§30102. Purposes**

29 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

30 *(1) to assist individuals throughout the United States in solving their*
 31 *social and economic problems and in their health and educational and*
 32 *character development;*

1 (2) to promote the use, by other lay and professional agencies and
2 workers, of the techniques of that assistance developed by the corporation;
3 and

4 (3) to receive, invest, and disburse funds and hold property for the
5 purposes of the corporation.

6 **§30103. Membership**

7 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-
8 bership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of class-
9 es of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corpora-
10 tion.

11 (b) *VOTING.*—Each member has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote
12 at a meeting of the members.

13 **§30104. Governing body**

14 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) The board of directors is the governing
15 body of the corporation. The powers, duties, and responsibilities of the board
16 are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

17 (2) The number of directors is as provided in the constitution. Their man-
18 ner of selection (including the filling of vacancies) and their term of office
19 are as provided in the constitution and bylaws.

20 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) The officers of the corporation are a chairman of the
21 board of directors, a president, one or more vice presidents as provided in
22 the constitution and bylaws, a secretary, and a treasurer.

23 (2) The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as
24 provided in the constitution and bylaws.

25 **§30105. Powers**

26 The corporation may—

27 (1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management
28 of its property and the regulation of its affairs;

29 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

30 (3) choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities
31 of the corporation require;

32 (4) make contracts;

33 (5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
34 or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

35 (6) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
36 ligations by granting security interests in its property; and

37 (7) sue and be sued.

38 **§30106. Exclusive right to names, seals, emblems, and**
39 **badges**

40 The corporation and its subordinate divisions have the exclusive right to
41 use the names “The Big Brothers of America, Big Sisters International,

1 *Incorporated*”, “*Big Sisters of America*”, “*Big Brothers*”, “*Big Sisters*”, “*Big*
 2 *Brothers—Big Sisters of America*”, and “*Big Sisters—Big Brothers*”, and to
 3 *use and to allow others to use seals, emblems, and badges the corporation*
 4 *adopts.*

5 **§30107. Restrictions**

6 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 7 *clare or pay a dividend.*

8 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
 9 *such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate*
 10 *for public office.*

11 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 12 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 13 *officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolu-*
 14 *tion or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of*
 15 *compensation to an officer in an amount approved by the board of directors.*

16 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a direc-*
 17 *tor, officer, or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan*
 18 *or advance to a director, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in*
 19 *making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation*
 20 *for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

21 **§30108. Principal office**

22 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in Philadelphia, Pennsylva-*
 23 *nia, or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities*
 24 *of the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is*
 25 *located but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and posses-*
 26 *sions of the United States.*

27 **§30109. Records and inspection**

28 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

29 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

30 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 31 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

32 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 33 *members entitled to vote.*

34 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 35 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 36 *at any reasonable time.*

37 **§30110. Service of process**

38 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 39 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 40 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 41 *on the corporation.*

1 **§30111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

2 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 3 *the scope of their authority.*

4 **§30112. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 5 **uidation**

6 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 7 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 8 *board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the*
 9 *corporation.*

10 **CHAPTER 303—BLINDED VETERANS ASSOCIATION**

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11 **§30301. Organization**

12 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Blinded Veterans Association (in this chapter,*
 13 *the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

14 *(b) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 15 *tion has perpetual existence.*

16 **§30302. Purposes**

17 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

18 *(1) to operate as a not-for-profit corporation exclusively for charitable,*
 19 *educational, patriotic, and civic improvement purposes;*

20 *(2) to promote the welfare of blinded veterans so that, notwithstanding*
 21 *their disabilities, they may take their rightful place in the community*
 22 *and work with their fellow citizens toward the creation of a peaceful*
 23 *world;*

24 *(3) to preserve and strengthen a spirit of fellowship among blinded*
 25 *veterans so that they may give mutual aid and assistance to one another;*
 26 *and*

27 *(4) to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom and*
 28 *to encourage loyalty to the Constitution and laws of the United States*
 29 *and of the States in which they reside.*

30 **§30303. Membership**

31 *(a) GENERAL MEMBERSHIP.—An individual who served in the armed*
 32 *forces of the United States and who, in the line of duty in that service, sus-*

1 *tained a substantial impairment of sight or vision as defined by the bylaws*
 2 *of the corporation is eligible for general membership in the corporation.*

3 (b) *HONORARY AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP.—In addition to general*
 4 *membership, the corporation shall have special classes of honorary and associ-*
 5 *ate membership. Eligibility for, and the rights and obligations of, those spe-*
 6 *cial classes are as provided in the bylaws.*

7 **§30304. Governing body**

8 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—(1) The number of directors of the corporation*
 9 *shall be at least 3 but not more than 15. The directors shall be divided into*
 10 *a specified number of classes. Each class shall hold office for a definite period*
 11 *of years as provided in the bylaws.*

12 (2) *A majority of the directors must be present at a meeting of directors*
 13 *to constitute a quorum. A majority vote of the directors present at a meeting*
 14 *at which there is a quorum is necessary for the transaction of business.*

15 (3) *A director may be removed at any time for just and proper cause by*
 16 *a majority vote of a quorum of directors present at a meeting called for that*
 17 *purpose.*

18 (4) *A vacancy in the office of director may be filled by a majority vote*
 19 *of a quorum of the remaining directors present at a meeting called for that*
 20 *purpose. A director elected to fill a vacancy serves until the next annual meet-*
 21 *ing of the corporation.*

22 (b) *OFFICERS.—The officers of the corporation and their manner of elec-*
 23 *tion, term of office, duties, and powers are as provided in the bylaws.*

24 **§30305. Powers**

25 *The corporation may—*

26 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 27 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

28 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

29 (3) *choose officers, managers, and agents as the activities of the cor-*
 30 *poration require;*

31 (4) *charge and collect membership dues;*

32 (5) *make contracts;*

33 (6) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 34 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

35 (7) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 36 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

37 (8) *sue and be sued; and*

38 (9) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 39 *of the corporation.*

1 **§30306. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges**

2 *The corporation and its authorized regional groups and other local subdivi-*
 3 *sions have the exclusive right to use the name “Blinded Veterans Association”*
 4 *and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

5 **§30307. Restrictions**

6 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 7 *clare or pay a dividend.*

8 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
 9 *such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate*
 10 *for elective public office.*

11 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 12 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 13 *officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolu-*
 14 *tion or final liquidation. This section does not prevent the payment of—*

15 (1) *bona fide expenses of officers of the corporation in amounts ap-*
 16 *proved by the board of directors; or*

17 (2) *appropriate aid to blinded veterans or their widows or children*
 18 *in carrying out the purposes of the corporation.*

19 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 20 *or employee. Directors and officers who vote for or assent to making a loan*
 21 *to a director, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the*
 22 *loan, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the*
 23 *loan until it is repaid.*

24 (e) *IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY.—Members and private individuals are not*
 25 *liable for the obligations of the corporation.*

26 **§30308. Principal office**

27 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia*
 28 *or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities of*
 29 *the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is lo-*
 30 *cated but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions*
 31 *of the United States.*

32 **§30309. Records and inspection**

33 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

34 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

35 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 36 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

37 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 38 *members, directors, and officers.*

39 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may*
 40 *inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-*
 41 *able time.*

1 **§30310. Service of process**

2 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 3 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 4 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 5 *on the corporation.*

6 **§30311. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

7 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 8 *the scope of their authority.*

9 **§30312. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 10 **uidation**

11 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 12 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be transferred to the Secretary of Vet-*
 13 *erans Affairs to be applied to the care and comfort of blinded veterans.*

14 **CHAPTER 305—BLUE STAR MOTHERS OF AMERICA, INC.**

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15 **§30501. Definition**

16 *For purposes of this chapter, “armed forces” includes the United States*
 17 *Army, United States Navy, United States Marines, United States Air Force,*
 18 *United States Coast Guard, National Guard, United States Army Reserves,*
 19 *United States Navy Reserves, United States Marine Reserves, United States*
 20 *Air Force Reserves, United States Coast Guard Reserves, United States Naval*
 21 *Militia, merchant marines, and armed home guards who have served on ac-*
 22 *tive duty.*

23 **§30502. Organization**

24 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc. (in this*
 25 *chapter, the “corporation”), is a federally chartered corporation.*

26 *(b) PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is de-*
 27 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

28 *(c) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 29 *tion has perpetual existence.*

1 **§30503. Purposes**

2 *The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, educational, social, and for*
 3 *service, and include—*

4 *(1) perpetuating the Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc., and the*
 5 *memory of all the men and women who have served our country as mem-*
 6 *bers of the armed forces;*

7 *(2) maintaining true allegiance to the Government of the United*
 8 *States;*

9 *(3) educating members of the corporation and others not to divulge*
 10 *military, naval, or other Government information;*

11 *(4) assisting in veterans' ceremonies;*

12 *(5) attending patriotic rallies and meetings;*

13 *(6) fostering true democracy;*

14 *(7) caring for unsupported mothers who gave their sons to the service*
 15 *of the nation;*

16 *(8) aiding in bringing about recognition of the need for permanent ci-*
 17 *vilian defense in each community and the need to be always alert*
 18 *against invasion of un-American activities;*

19 *(9) upholding the American institutions of freedom, justice, and equal*
 20 *rights; and*

21 *(10) defending the United States from all enemies.*

22 **§30504. Membership**

23 *An individual is eligible for membership in the corporation if—*

24 *(1) she is a mother, adoptive mother, or stepmother (who has given*
 25 *a mother's care at least since the stepchild was age 13) of a son or*
 26 *daughter who—*

27 *(A) is serving in the armed forces; or*

28 *(B) has served in, or has been honorably discharged from, the*
 29 *armed forces in World War II or the Korean hostilities; and*

30 *(2) she is living in the United States.*

31 **§30505. Governing body**

32 *(a) NATIONAL CONVENTION.—(1) The national convention is the supreme*
 33 *governing authority of the corporation.*

34 *(2) The national convention is composed of officers and elected representa-*
 35 *tives from the States and other local subdivisions of the corporation as pro-*
 36 *vided in the constitution and bylaws. However, the form of government of the*
 37 *corporation must be representative of the membership at large and may not*
 38 *permit concentration of control in a limited number of members or in a self-*
 39 *perpetuating group not representative of the membership at large.*

40 *(3) The meetings of the national convention may be held in the District*
 41 *of Columbia or any State, territory, or possession of the United States.*

1 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers of the corporation and their manner of selec-*
 2 *tion, term of office, and duties are as provided in the constitution and bylaws*
 3 *of the corporation.*

4 **§30506. Powers**

5 *The corporation may—*

6 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 7 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

8 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

9 (3) *choose officers, managers, employees, and agents as the activities*
 10 *of the corporation require;*

11 (4) *make contracts;*

12 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 13 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

14 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 15 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

16 (7) *sue and be sued; and*

17 (8) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 18 *of the corporation.*

19 **§30507. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges**

20 *The corporation and its subordinate divisions have the exclusive right to*
 21 *use the name “Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc.”. The corporation has the*
 22 *exclusive right to use, and to allow others to use, seals, emblems, and badges*
 23 *the corporation adopts.*

24 **§30508. Restrictions**

25 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 26 *clare or pay a dividend.*

27 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or an officer or agent as such*
 28 *may not contribute to a political party or candidate for public office.*

29 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
 30 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, an officer*
 31 *or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or*
 32 *final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensa-*
 33 *tion to an officer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts*
 34 *approved by the council of administration of the corporation.*

35 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan or advance to an officer*
 36 *or employee. Members of the council of administration who vote for or assent*
 37 *to making a loan or advance to an officer or employee, and officers who par-*
 38 *ticipate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to*
 39 *the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

40 **§30509. Principal office**

41 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.*

1 **§30510. Records and inspection**

2 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

3 (1) correct and complete records of account; and

4 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its national conventions and council
5 of administration.

6 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may
7 inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-
8 able time.

9 **§30511. Service of process**

10 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
11 to receive service of process, notice, or demand for the corporation. Designa-
12 tion of the agent shall be filed in the office of the Mayor of the District of
13 Columbia or another office designated by the Mayor. Notice to or service on
14 the agent is notice to or service on the corporation.

15 **§30512. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

16 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
17 the scope of their authority.

18 **§30513. Annual report**

19 Not later than March 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a report
20 to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior fiscal year.
21 The report may consist of a report of the proceedings of the national conven-
22 tion. The report may not be printed as a public document.

23 **§30514. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-
24 uidation**

25 On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining
26 after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the na-
27 tional executive board, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws
28 of the corporation.

29 **CHAPTER 307—BOARD FOR FUNDAMENTAL EDUCATION**

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30 **§30701. Organization**

31 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—Board for Fundamental Education (in this
32 chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.

1 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 2 *tion has perpetual existence.*

3 **§30702. Purpose**

4 *The purpose of the corporation is to foster the development of fundamental*
 5 *education through programs and projects such as—*

6 (1) *giving citizens (children, youth, and adults) an opportunity to ac-*
 7 *quire the understandings and skills necessary to relate the resources of*
 8 *the community to the needs and interests of the community;*

9 (2) *demonstrating programs of fundamental education and measuring*
 10 *results; and*

11 (3) *training men and women as leaders in fundamental education by*
 12 *providing internships and other experiences.*

13 **§30703. Membership**

14 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
 15 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
 16 *provided in constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

17 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member has one vote in the conduct of official business*
 18 *of the corporation.*

19 **§30704. Governing body**

20 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors is the governing body*
 21 *of the corporation. The board shall consist of at least 15 directors elected an-*
 22 *nually by the members.*

23 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers of the corporation are a chairman of the board,*
 24 *a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and any*
 25 *assistant officers designated by the board. The officers have the powers and*
 26 *shall carry out the duties provided in the bylaws or prescribed by the board.*

27 **§30705. Powers**

28 *The corporation may—*

29 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 30 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

31 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

32 (3) *choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities*
 33 *of the corporation require;*

34 (4) *make contracts;*

35 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 36 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

37 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 38 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

39 (7) *use corporate funds to give prizes, awards, loans, scholarships, and*
 40 *grants to deserving students to carry out the purpose of the corporation;*

41 (8) *publish a magazine and other publications;*

1 (9) *sue and be sued; and*

2 (10) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purpose*
3 *of the corporation.*

4 **§30706. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges**

5 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “Board for Fun-*
6 *damental Education” and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

7 **§30707. Restrictions**

8 (a) *PROFIT.*—*The corporation may not engage in business for profit.*

9 (b) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
10 *clare or pay a dividend.*

11 (c) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director, officer, or mem-*
12 *ber as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or can-*
13 *didate for elective public office.*

14 (d) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
15 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
16 *officer, or member except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corpora-*
17 *tion.*

18 (e) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
19 *or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,*
20 *officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are*
21 *jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until*
22 *it is repaid.*

23 **§30708. Principal office**

24 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in a place the board of di-*
25 *rectors decides is appropriate. However, the activities of the corporation may*
26 *be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions of the United*
27 *States.*

28 **§30709. Records and inspection**

29 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

30 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

31 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
32 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

33 (3) *a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote.*

34 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may*
35 *inspect the records of the corporation at any reasonable time.*

36 **§30710. Service of process**

37 (a) *DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.*—*The corporation shall have a designated*
38 *agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corpora-*
39 *tion. Designation of the agent shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the*
40 *United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Notice to or service*

1 on the agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or
2 service on the corporation.

3 (b) STATES, TERRITORIES, AND POSSESSIONS.—As a condition to the exer-
4 cise of any power or privilege granted by this chapter, the corporation shall
5 file, with the secretary of state or other designated official of each State, terri-
6 tory, or possession of the United States in which the corporation does busi-
7 ness, the name and address of an agent in that State, territory, or possession
8 on whom legal process or demands against the corporation may be served.

9 **§30711. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

10 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
11 the scope of their authority.

12 **§30712. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-
13 uidation**

14 On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining
15 after the discharge of all liabilities shall be used by the board of directors for
16 the purpose stated in section 30702 of this title or be transferred to a recog-
17 nized educational foundation.

18 **CHAPTER 309—BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

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19 **§30901. Organization**

20 (a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Boy Scouts of America (in this chapter, the “cor-
21 poration”) is a body corporate and politic of the District of Columbia.

22 (b) DOMICILE.—The domicile of the corporation is the District of Colum-
23 bia.

24 (c) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-
25 tion has perpetual existence.

26 **§30902. Purposes**

27 The purposes of the corporation are to promote, through organization, and
28 cooperation with other agencies, the ability of boys to do things for themselves
29 and others, to train them in scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage,
30 self-reliance, and kindred virtues, using the methods that were in common use
31 by boy scouts on June 15, 1916.

32 **§30903. Governing body**

33 (a) EXECUTIVE BOARD.—An executive board composed of citizens of the
34 United States is the governing body of the corporation. The number, qualifica-
35 tions, and term of office of members of the board are as provided in the by-

1 *laws. A vacancy on the board shall be filled by a majority vote of the remain-*
 2 *ing members of the board.*

3 (b) *QUORUM.—The bylaws may prescribe the number of members of the*
 4 *board necessary for a quorum. That number may be less than a majority of*
 5 *the entire board.*

6 (c) *COMMITTEES.—(1) The board, by resolution passed by a majority of the*
 7 *entire board, may designate 3 or more members of the board as an executive*
 8 *or governing committee. A majority of the committee is a quorum. The com-*
 9 *mittee, to the extent provided in the resolution or bylaws, may—*

10 (A) *exercise the powers of the executive board in managing the activi-*
 11 *ties of the corporation; and*

12 (B) *authorize the seal of the corporation to be affixed to papers that*
 13 *may require it.*

14 (2) *The board, by majority vote of the entire board, may appoint other*
 15 *standing committees. The standing committees may exercise powers as pro-*
 16 *vided in the bylaws.*

17 **§30904. Powers**

18 (a) *GENERAL.—The corporation may—*

19 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws and regulations, including regulations*
 20 *for the election of associates and successors;*

21 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

22 (3) *have offices and conduct its activities in the District of Columbia*
 23 *and the States, territories, and possessions of the United States;*

24 (4) *acquire and own property as necessary to carry out the purposes*
 25 *of the corporation;*

26 (5) *sue and be sued within the jurisdiction of the United States; and*

27 (6) *do any other act necessary to carry out this chapter and promote*
 28 *the purpose of the corporation.*

29 (b) *LIMITATIONS ON EXERCISING CERTAIN POWERS.—(1) The corporation*
 30 *may execute mortgages and liens on the property of the corporation only if*
 31 *approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire executive board at a meeting called*
 32 *for that purpose.*

33 (2) *The corporation may dispose in any manner of the whole property of*
 34 *the corporation only with the written consent and affirmative vote of a major-*
 35 *ity of the members of the corporation.*

36 **§30905. Exclusive right to emblems, badges, marks, and**
 37 **words**

38 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use emblems, badges, descriptive*
 39 *or designating marks, and words or phrases the corporation adopts. This sec-*
 40 *tion does not affect any vested rights.*

1 **§30906. Restrictions**

2 (a) *PROFIT.*—The corporation may not operate for pecuniary profit to its
3 members.

4 (b) *STOCKS AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
5 clare or pay a dividend.

6 **§30907. Annual and special meetings**

7 (a) *ANNUAL MEETINGS.*—The corporation shall hold an annual meeting at
8 a time and place as provided in the bylaws. At the meeting, the annual re-
9 ports of the officers and executive board shall be presented, and members of
10 the board shall be elected for the next year.

11 (b) *SPECIAL MEETINGS.*—Special meetings of the corporation may be
12 called on notice as provided in the bylaws.

13 (c) *QUORUM.*—The number of members necessary for a quorum at an an-
14 nual or special meeting shall be prescribed in the bylaws.

15 (d) *LOCATIONS.*—The members and the executive board may hold meetings
16 and keep the seal and records of the corporation in or outside the District
17 of Columbia.

18 **§30908. Annual report**

19 Not later than April 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a report
20 to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior calendar
21 year.

22 **CHAPTER 311—BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF AMERICA**

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23 **§31101. Organization**

24 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—Boys & Girls Clubs of America (in this chapter,
25 the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.

26 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.*—The corporation is de-
27 clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.

28 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-
29 tion has perpetual existence.

30 **§31102. Purposes**

31 The purposes of the corporation are—

32 (1) to promote the health, social, educational, vocational, and char-
33 acter development of youth throughout the United States; and

1 (2) to receive, invest, and disburse funds and to hold property for the
2 purposes of the corporation.

3 **§31103. Membership**

4 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-
5 bership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of class-
6 es of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corpora-
7 tion.

8 (b) *VOTING.*—Each member has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote
9 at a meeting of the members.

10 (c) *BENEFITS OF MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS.*—Each organization that is a
11 member of the corporation as provided in the constitution of the corporation
12 is entitled to all the benefits of incorporation under this chapter. Those bene-
13 fits cease immediately on termination of membership, whether by—

14 (1) resignation from the corporation; or

15 (2) termination of its membership by the board of directors of the cor-
16 poration as provided in the constitution.

17 **§31104. Governing body**

18 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) The board of directors is the governing
19 body of the corporation. The powers, duties, and responsibilities of the board
20 are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

21 (2) The number of directors is as provided in the constitution of the cor-
22 poration. Their manner of selection (including the filling of vacancies) and
23 their term of office are as provided in the constitution and bylaws.

24 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) The officers of the corporation are a chairman of the
25 board of directors, a president, one or more vice presidents as provided in
26 the constitution and bylaws, a secretary, a treasurer, and one or more assist-
27 ant secretaries and assistant treasurers as provided in the constitution and
28 bylaws.

29 (2) The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as
30 provided in the constitution and bylaws.

31 **§31105. Powers**

32 The corporation may—

33 (1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management
34 of its property and the regulation of its affairs;

35 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

36 (3) choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities
37 of the corporation require;

38 (4) make contracts;

39 (5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
40 or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

1 (6) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
2 ligations by granting security interests in its property; and

3 (7) sue and be sued.

4 **§31106. Restrictions**

5 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
6 clare or pay a dividend.

7 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
8 such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate
9 for public office.

10 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
11 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
12 officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolu-
13 tion or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of
14 compensation to an officer in an amount approved by the board of directors.

15 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a direc-
16 tor, officer, or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan
17 or advance to a director, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in
18 making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation
19 for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.

20 **§31107. Principal office**

21 The principal office of the corporation shall be in New York, New York,
22 or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities of
23 the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is lo-
24 cated but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions
25 of the United States.

26 **§31108. Records and inspection**

27 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

28 (1) correct and complete records of account;

29 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
30 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

31 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
32 members entitled to vote.

33 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
34 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
35 at any reasonable time.

36 **§31109. Service of process**

37 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
38 to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the
39 agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service
40 on the corporation.

1 **§31110. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

2 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
3 *the scope of their authority.*

4 **§31111. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
5 **uidation**

6 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
7 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
8 *board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the*
9 *corporation.*

10 **CHAPTER 401—CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS OF THE**
11 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED**

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12 **§40101. Definition**

13 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
14 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

15 **§40102. Organization**

16 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Catholic War Veterans of the United States of*
17 *America, Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in*
18 *New York, is a federally chartered corporation.*

19 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
20 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

21 **§40103. Purposes**

22 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
23 *ration and include a continuing commitment, on a national basis, to—*

24 *(1) preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States*
25 *and the laws of the States;*

26 *(2) commemorate the wars, campaigns, and military actions of the*
27 *United States to reflect profound respect, high honor, and great tribute*
28 *on the glorious dead and the surviving veterans of those wars, cam-*
29 *paigns, and actions and to give all Americans a greater understanding*
30 *of and appreciation for the sacrifices of those who participated in them*
31 *for all Americans;*

1 (3) *stimulate to the highest degree possible the interests of the entire*
2 *Nation in the problems of veterans, their widows, and orphans;*

3 (4) *cooperate to the fullest extent and in a harmonious manner with*
4 *all veterans' organizations in common projects designed to serve the in-*
5 *terests of all veterans of all wars in which the United States has partici-*
6 *pated;*

7 (5) *collate, preserve, and encourage the study of historical episodes,*
8 *chronicles, mementos, and events pertaining to the wars, campaigns, and*
9 *military actions of the United States;*

10 (6) *inculcate an enduring love of country, a deep and abiding sense*
11 *of patriotism, and a profound commitment to Americanism among all*
12 *the people of the United States;*

13 (7) *encourage, among the youth of our Nation, respect for our national*
14 *flag, our anthem, and the traditions of America;*

15 (8) *preserve the freedoms of all the people, national peace, prosperity,*
16 *tranquility, good will, the permanence of free institutions, and the de-*
17 *fense of the United States;*

18 (9) *foster the association of veterans of the Catholic faith who have*
19 *served in the armed forces of the United States;*

20 (10) *encourage morality in government, labor, management, economic,*
21 *social, fraternal, and all other phases of American life;*

22 (11) *promote the realization that the family is the basic unit of soci-*
23 *ety;*

24 (12) *increase our love, honor, and service to God and to our fellow*
25 *man without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin; and*

26 (13) *function as a veterans' and patriotic organization as authorized*
27 *by the laws of the each State in which it is incorporated.*

28 **§40104. Membership**

29 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges*
30 *of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

31 **§40105. Governing body**

32 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
33 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

34 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
35 *the articles of incorporation.*

36 **§40106. Powers**

37 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
38 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

39 **§40107. Restrictions**

40 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
41 *clare or pay a dividend.*

1 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
 2 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
 3 officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This
 4 subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-
 5 ficer or employee in an amount approved by the board of directors.

6 (c) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
 7 or employee.

8 (d) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.*—The cor-
 9 poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United
 10 States Government for any of its activities.

11 **§40108. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

12 The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from
 13 taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

14 **§40109. Records and inspection**

15 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

16 (1) correct and complete records of account;

17 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
 18 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

19 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
 20 members entitled to vote.

21 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
 22 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
 23 at any reasonable time.

24 **§40110. Service of process**

25 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
 26 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
 27 ties.

28 **§40111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

29 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
 30 the scope of their authority.

31 **§40112. Annual report**

32 The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities
 33 of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted
 34 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
 35 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

36 **CHAPTER 403—CIVIL AIR PATROL**

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40306. *Exclusive right to name, insignia, copyrights, emblems, badges, marks, and words.*
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1 **§40301. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Civil Air Patrol (in this chapter, the “corpora-*
 3 *tion”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

4 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 5 *tion has perpetual existence.*

6 **§40302. Purposes**

7 *The purposes of the corporation are to—*

8 (1) *provide an organization to—*

9 (A) *encourage and aid citizens of the United States in contribut-*
 10 *ing their efforts, services, and resources in developing aviation and*
 11 *in maintaining air supremacy; and*

12 (B) *encourage and develop by example the voluntary contribution*
 13 *of private citizens to the public welfare;*

14 (2) *provide aviation education and training especially to its senior*
 15 *and cadet members;*

16 (3) *encourage and foster civil aviation in local communities; and*

17 (4) *provide an organization of private citizens with adequate facilities*
 18 *to assist in meeting local and national emergencies.*

19 **§40303. Membership**

20 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges*
 21 *of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

22 **§40304. Powers**

23 *The corporation may—*

24 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution, bylaws, and regulations;*

25 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

26 (3) *establish and maintain offices in the District of Columbia and the*
 27 *States, territories, and possessions of the United States to conduct its af-*
 28 *airs;*

29 (4) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 30 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

31 (5) *sue and be sued; and*

32 (6) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 33 *of the corporation.*

34 **§40305. Restrictions**

35 *The corporation may not engage in business for profit or issue stock.*

36 **§40306. Exclusive right to name, insignia, copyrights, em-**
 37 **blems, badges, marks, and words**

38 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “Civil Air Patrol”*
 39 *and all insignia, copyrights, emblems, badges, descriptive or designating*

1 *marks, words, and phrases the corporation adopts. This section does not affect*
 2 *any vested rights.*

3 **§40307. Annual report**

4 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 5 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year.*

6 **CHAPTER 405—CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR**
 7 **SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

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8 **§40501. Organization**

9 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Congressional Medal of Honor Society of the*
 10 *United States of America (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally*
 11 *chartered corporation.*

12 *(b) PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is de-*
 13 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

14 *(c) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 15 *tion has perpetual existence.*

16 **§40502. Purposes**

17 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

18 *(1) to form a bond of friendship and comradeship among all holders*
 19 *of the Medal of Honor as presented by Congress;*

20 *(2) to protect, uphold, and preserve the dignity and honor of the medal*
 21 *at all times and on all occasions;*

22 *(3) to protect the name of the medal and individual holders of the*
 23 *medal from exploitation;*

24 *(4) to provide appropriate aid to all persons to whom the medal has*
 25 *been awarded, their widows, or their children;*

26 *(5) to serve our country in peace as in war;*

27 *(6) to inspire and stimulate our youth to become worthy citizens of*
 28 *our country; and*

29 *(7) to foster and perpetuate Americanism.*

30 **§40503. Membership**

31 *(a) ELIGIBILITY.—An individual who has been awarded the Medal of*
 32 *Honor as presented by Congress is eligible for membership in the corporation.*
 33 *An honorary membership may not be granted.*

1 (b) *VOTING.*—Each member has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote
2 at a meeting of the members. The vote may be cast in person or by proxy.

3 **§40504. Governing body**

4 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) The board of directors is the governing
5 body of the corporation. The board may exercise, or provide for the exercise
6 of, the powers of the corporation.

7 (2) The number of directors, their manner of election (including the filling
8 of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the bylaws. However,
9 the board shall have at least 9 directors.

10 (3) The board shall meet at least annually. Each director has one vote on
11 matters decided by the board.

12 (4) The president of the corporation is the chairman of the board.

13 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) The officers of the corporation are a president, an exec-
14 utive vice president, a secretary, a treasurer, and 6 regional vice presidents
15 as provided in the bylaws. The offices of secretary and treasurer may be com-
16 bined and held by the same individual, but an individual holding those com-
17 bined offices has only one vote as a director.

18 (2) The manner of election, term of office, duties, and powers of the officers
19 are as provided in the bylaws.

20 **§40505. Powers**

21 The corporation may—

22 (1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management
23 of its property and the regulation of its affairs;

24 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

25 (3) choose officers, managers, and agents as the activities of the cor-
26 poration require;

27 (4) charge and collect membership dues;

28 (5) make contracts;

29 (6) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
30 or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

31 (7) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
32 ligations by granting security interests in its property;

33 (8) sue and be sued; and

34 (9) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes
35 of the corporation.

36 **§40506. Restrictions**

37 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
38 clare or pay a dividend.

39 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
40 such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity
41 or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.

1 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
2 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
3 officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolu-
4 tion or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of—

5 (1) expenses of officers of the corporation in amounts approved by the
6 board of directors; or

7 (2) appropriate aid to individuals to whom the Medal of Honor has
8 been awarded, their widows, or their children, to carry out the purposes
9 of the corporation.

10 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
11 or employee. Directors and officers who vote for or assent to making a loan
12 to a director, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the
13 loan, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the
14 loan until it is repaid.

15 **§40507. Principal office**

16 The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia
17 or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities of
18 the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is lo-
19 cated but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions
20 of the United States.

21 **§40508. Records and inspection**

22 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

23 (1) correct and complete records of account;

24 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
25 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

26 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
27 members entitled to vote.

28 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
29 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
30 at any reasonable time.

31 **§40509. Service of process**

32 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
33 to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the
34 agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service
35 on the corporation.

36 **§40510. Liability**

37 (a) *LIABILITY OF CORPORATION.*—The corporation is liable for the acts of
38 its officers and agents acting within the scope of their authority.

39 (b) *IMMUNITY OF INDIVIDUALS.*—A member or private individual is not
40 liable for the obligations of the corporation.

1 **§40511. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 2 **uidation**

3 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 4 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 5 *board of directors, but in compliance with the bylaws.*

6 **CHAPTER 407—CORPORATION FOR THE PROMOTION OF**
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8 SUBCHAPTER I—CORPORATION

9 **§40701. Organization**

10 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—Corporation for the Promotion of Rifle Practice*
 11 *and Firearms Safety (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally char-*
 12 *tered corporation.*

13 (b) *NON-GOVERNMENTAL STATUS.—The corporation is a private corpora-*
 14 *tion, not a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Gov-*
 15 *ernment. An officer or employee of the corporation is not an officer or em-*
 16 *ployee of the Government.*

17 **§40702. Governing body**

18 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—(1) The board of directors is the governing*
 19 *body of the corporation. The board of directors may adopt bylaws, policies,*
 20 *and procedures for the corporation and may take any other action that it con-*
 21 *siders necessary for the management and operation of the corporation.*

22 (2) *The board shall have at least 9 directors.*

23 (3) *The term of office of a director is 2 years. A director may be re-*
 24 *appointed.*

1 (4) *A vacancy on the board of directors shall be filled by a majority vote*
2 *of the remaining directors.*

3 (b) *DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP.—(1) The board of directors*
4 *shall appoint the Director of Civilian Marksmanship.*

5 (2) *The Director is responsible for—*

6 (A) *the daily operation of the corporation; and*

7 (B) *the duties of the corporation under subchapter II of this chapter.*

8 **§40703. Powers**

9 *The corporation may—*

10 (1) *adopt, use, and alter a corporate seal, which shall be judicially no-*
11 *ticed;*

12 (2) *make contracts;*

13 (3) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
14 *or convenient to carry out the activities of the corporation;*

15 (4) *incur and pay obligations;*

16 (5) *charge fees to cover the corporation's costs in carrying out the Ci-*
17 *vilian Marksmanship Program; and*

18 (6) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the activities*
19 *of the corporation.*

20 **§40704. Restrictions**

21 (a) *PROFIT.—The corporation may not operate for profit.*

22 (b) *USE OF AMOUNTS COLLECTED.—Amounts collected under section*
23 *40703(3) and (5) of this title, including proceeds from the sale of firearms,*
24 *ammunition, repair parts, and other supplies, may be used only to support*
25 *the Civilian Marksmanship Program.*

26 **§40705. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

27 *The corporation shall be operated in a manner and for purposes that qual-*
28 *ify the corporation for exemption from taxation under section 501(a) of the*
29 *Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 501(a)) as an organization de-*
30 *scribed in section 501(c)(3) of that Code (26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3)).*

31 **§40706. Distribution of assets on dissolution**

32 (a) *SECRETARY OF THE ARMY.—On dissolution of the corporation, title to*
33 *the following items, and the right to possess the items, vest in the Secretary*
34 *of the Army:*

35 (1) *firearms stored at Defense Distribution Depot, Anniston, Anniston,*
36 *Alabama on the date of dissolution.*

37 (2) *M-16 rifles under control of the corporation.*

38 (3) *trophies received from the National Board for the Promotion of*
39 *Rifle Practice through the date of dissolution.*

1 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS.*—(1) *On dissolution of the corporation,*
 2 *an asset not described in subsection (a) of this section may be distributed to*
 3 *an organization that—*

4 (A) *is exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal Reve-*
 5 *nuce Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 501(a)) as an organization described in sec-*
 6 *tion 501(c)(3) of that Code (26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3)); and*

7 (B) *performs functions similar to the functions described in section*
 8 *40722 of this title.*

9 (2) *An asset distributed under this subsection may not be distributed to an*
 10 *individual.*

11 (c) *TREASURY.*—*On dissolution of the corporation, any asset not distrib-*
 12 *uted under subsection (a) or (b) of this section shall be sold and the proceeds*
 13 *shall be deposited in the Treasury.*

14 **§40707. Nonapplication of audit requirements**

15 *The audit requirements of section 10101 of this title do not apply to the*
 16 *corporation.*

17 SUBCHAPTER II—CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM

18 **§40721. Responsibility of corporation**

19 *The corporation shall supervise and control the Civilian Marksmanship*
 20 *Program.*

21 **§40722. Functions**

22 *The functions of the Civilian Marksmanship Program are—*

23 (1) *to instruct citizens of the United States in marksmanship;*

24 (2) *to promote practice and safety in the use of firearms;*

25 (3) *to conduct competitions in the use of firearms and to award tro-*
 26 *phies, prizes, badges, and other insignia to competitors;*

27 (4) *to secure and account for firearms, ammunition, and other equip-*
 28 *ment for which the corporation is responsible;*

29 (5) *to issue, loan, or sell firearms, ammunition, repair parts, and*
 30 *other supplies under sections 40731 and 40732 of this title; and*

31 (6) *to procure necessary supplies and services to carry out the Pro-*
 32 *gram.*

33 **§40723. Eligibility for participation**

34 (a) *CERTIFICATION.*—(1) *An individual shall certify by affidavit, before*
 35 *participating in an activity sponsored or supported by the corporation, that*
 36 *the individual—*

37 (A) *has not been convicted of a felony;*

38 (B) *has not been convicted of a violation of section 922 of title 18;*
 39 *and*

40 (C) *is not a member of an organization that advocates the violent*
 41 *overthrow of the United States Government.*

1 (2) *The Director of Civilian Marksmanship may require an individual to*
 2 *provide certification from law enforcement agencies to verify that the individ-*
 3 *ual has not been convicted of a felony or a violation of section 922 of title*
 4 *18.*

5 (b) *INELIGIBILITY.—An individual may not participate in an activity*
 6 *sponsored or supported by the corporation if the individual—*

7 (1) *has been convicted of a felony; or*

8 (2) *has been convicted of a violation of section 922 of title 18.*

9 (c) *LIMITING PARTICIPATION.—The Director may limit participation in*
 10 *the program as necessary to ensure—*

11 (1) *the safety of participants;*

12 (2) *the security of firearms, ammunition, and equipment; and*

13 (3) *the quality of instruction in the use of firearms.*

14 **§40724. Priority of youth participation**

15 *In carrying out the Civilian Marksmanship Program, the corporation shall*
 16 *give priority to activities that benefit firearms safety, training, and competi-*
 17 *tion for youth and that reach as many youth participants as possible.*

18 **§40725. National Matches and small-arms firing school**

19 (a) *ANNUAL COMPETITION.—An annual competition called the “National*
 20 *Matches” and consisting of rifle and pistol matches for a national trophy,*
 21 *medals, and other prizes shall be held as prescribed by the Secretary of the*
 22 *Army.*

23 (b) *ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS.—The National Matches are open to members*
 24 *of the armed forces, National Guard, Reserve Officers’ Training Corps, Air*
 25 *Force Reserve Officers’ Training Corps, Citizens’ Military Training Camps,*
 26 *Citizens’ Air Training Camps, and rifle clubs, and to civilians.*

27 (c) *SMALL-ARMS FIRING SCHOOL.—A small-arms firing school shall be held*
 28 *in connection with the National Matches.*

29 (d) *OTHER COMPETITIONS.—Competitions for which trophies and medals*
 30 *are provided by the National Rifle Association of America shall be held in*
 31 *connection with the National Matches.*

32 **§40726. Allowances for junior competitors**

33 (a) *DEFINITION.—In this section, a “junior competitor” is a competitor at*
 34 *the National Matches, a small-arms firing school, a competition in connection*
 35 *with the National Matches, or a special clinic under section 40725 of this title*
 36 *who is—*

37 (1) *less than 18 years of age; or*

38 (2) *a member of a gun club organized for the students of a college or*
 39 *university.*

40 (b) *SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE.—A junior competitor may be paid a sub-*
 41 *sistence allowance in an amount prescribed by the Secretary of the Army.*

1 (c) *TRAVEL ALLOWANCE.*—A junior competitor may be paid a travel allow-
 2 ance in an amount prescribed by the Secretary instead of travel expenses and
 3 subsistence while traveling. The travel allowance for the return trip may be
 4 paid in advance.

5 **§40727. Army support**

6 (a) *LOGISTICAL SUPPORT.*—The Secretary of the Army shall provide
 7 logistical support to the Civilian Marksmanship Program for competitions
 8 and other activities. The corporation shall reimburse the Secretary for incre-
 9 mental direct costs incurred in providing logistical support. The reimburse-
 10 ments shall be credited to the appropriations account of the Department of
 11 the Army that is charged to provide the logistical support.

12 (b) *NATIONAL MATCHES.*—(1) The National Matches may be held at De-
 13 partment of Defense facilities where the National Matches were held before
 14 February 10, 1996.

15 (2) The Secretary shall provide, without cost to the corporation, members
 16 of the National Guard and Army Reserve to support the National Matches
 17 as part of the annual training under title 10 and title 32.

18 (c) *REGULATIONS.*—The Secretary shall prescribe regulations to carry out
 19 this section.

20 **§40728. Transfer of firearms, ammunition, and parts**

21 (a) *REQUIRED TRANSFERS.*—In accordance with subsection (b) of this sec-
 22 tion, the Secretary of the Army shall transfer to the corporation all firearms
 23 and ammunition that, on February 9, 1996, were under the control of the
 24 director of civilian marksmanship (as that position existed under section 4307
 25 of title 10 on February 9, 1996), including—

26 (1) all firearms on loan to affiliated clubs and State associations;

27 (2) all firearms in the possession of the Civilian Marksmanship Sup-
 28 port Detachment; and

29 (3) all M–1 Garand and caliber .22 rimfire rifles stored at Defense
 30 Distribution Depot, Anniston, Anniston, Alabama.

31 (b) *TIME FOR TRANSFERS.*—The Secretary shall transfer firearms and am-
 32 munition under subsection (a) of this section as and when necessary to enable
 33 the corporation—

34 (1) to issue or loan firearms or ammunition under section 40731 of
 35 this title; or

36 (2) to sell firearms or ammunition under section 40732 of this title.

37 (c) *VESTING OF TITLE IN TRANSFERRED ITEMS.*—Title to an item trans-
 38 ferred to the corporation under this section shall vest in the corporation—

39 (1) on the issuance of the item to an eligible recipient under section
 40 40731 of this title; or

1 (2) immediately before the corporation delivers the item to a purchaser
2 in accordance with a contract for sale of the item that is authorized
3 under section 40732 of this title.

4 (d) *STORAGE OF FIREARMS.*—Firearms stored at Defense Distribution
5 Depot, Anniston, Anniston, Alabama, before February 10, 1996, and used for
6 the Civilian Marksmanship Program (as that program existed under section
7 4308(e) of title 10 before February 10, 1996), shall remain at that facility
8 or another storage facility designated by the Secretary, without cost to the cor-
9 poration, until the firearms are issued, loaned, or sold by the corporation, or
10 otherwise transferred to the corporation.

11 (e) *DISCRETIONARY TRANSFER OF PARTS.*—The Secretary may transfer
12 from the inventory of the Department of the Army to the corporation any
13 part from a rifle designated to be demilitarized.

14 (f) *LIMITATION ON DEMILITARIZATION OF M–1 RIFLES.*—After February
15 10, 1996, the Secretary may not demilitarize an M–1 Garand rifle in the in-
16 ventory of the Army unless the Defense Logistics Agency decides the rifle is
17 unserviceable.

18 (g) *COST OF TRANSFERS.*—A transfer of firearms, ammunition, or parts
19 to the corporation under this section shall be made without cost to the cor-
20 poration, except that the corporation shall assume the cost of preparation and
21 transportation of firearms and ammunition transferred under this section.

22 **§40729. Reservation of firearms, ammunition, and parts**

23 (a) *RESERVATION.*—The Secretary of the Army shall reserve for the cor-
24 poration—

25 (1) firearms described in section 40728(a) of this title;

26 (2) ammunition for firearms described in 40728(a) of this title;

27 (3) M–16 rifles held by the Department of the Army on February 10,
28 1996, and used to support the small-arms firing school; and

29 (4) parts from, and other supplies for, surplus caliber .30 and caliber
30 .22 rimfire rifles.

31 (b) *EXCEPTION.*—This section does not supersede the authority provided in
32 section 1208 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1990
33 and 1991 (Public Law 101–189; 10 U.S.C. 372 note).

34 **§40730. Surplus property**

35 The corporation may obtain surplus property from the Defense Reutiliza-
36 tion Marketing Service to carry out the Civilian Marksmanship Program. A
37 transfer of property to the corporation under this section shall be made with-
38 out cost to the corporation.

39 **§40731. Issuance or loan of firearms and supplies**

40 (a) *ISSUANCE OR LOAN.*—For purposes of training and competition, the
41 corporation may issue or loan, with or without charges to recover

1 administrative costs, caliber .22 rimfire and caliber .30 surplus rifles, air ri-
 2 fles, caliber .22 and .30 ammunition, repair parts, and other supplies nec-
 3 essary for activities related to the Civilian Marksmanship Program to—

4 (1) organizations affiliated with the corporation that provide firearms
 5 training to youth;

6 (2) the Boy Scouts of America;

7 (3) 4-H Clubs;

8 (4) the Future Farmers of America; and

9 (5) other youth oriented organizations.

10 (b) *SECURITY OF FIREARMS.*—The corporation shall ensure adequate over-
 11 sight and accountability for firearms issued or loaned under this section. The
 12 corporation shall prescribe procedures for the security of issued or loaned fire-
 13 arms in accordance with United States, State, and local laws.

14 **§40732. Sale of firearms and supplies**

15 (a) *AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS.*—The corporation may sell, at fair mar-
 16 ket value, caliber .22 rimfire and caliber .30 surplus rifles, air rifles, caliber
 17 .22 and .30 ammunition, repair parts, and other supplies to organizations
 18 affiliated with the corporation that provide training in the use of firearms.

19 (b) *GUN CLUB MEMBERS.*—(1) The corporation may sell, at fair market
 20 value, caliber .22 rimfire and caliber .30 surplus rifles, ammunition, repair
 21 parts and other supplies necessary for target practice to a citizen of the Unit-
 22 ed States who is over 18 years of age and who is a member of a gun club
 23 affiliated with the corporation.

24 (2) Except as provided in section 40733 of this title, sales under this sub-
 25 section are subject to applicable United States, State, and local law. In addi-
 26 tion to any other requirement, the corporation shall establish procedures to
 27 obtain a criminal records check of the individual with United States Govern-
 28 ment and State law enforcement agencies.

29 (c) *LIMITATION ON SALES.*—(1) The corporation may not sell a repair part
 30 designed to convert a firearm to fire in a fully automatic mode.

31 (2) The corporation may not sell any item to an individual who has been
 32 convicted of—

33 (A) a felony; or

34 (B) a violation of section 922 of title 18.

35 **§40733. Applicability of other law**

36 Section 922(a)(1)–(3) and (5) of title 18 does not apply to the shipment,
 37 transportation, receipt, transfer, sale, issuance, loan, or delivery by the cor-
 38 poration, of an item that the corporation is authorized to issue, loan, sell,
 39 or receive under this chapter.

1 **CHAPTER 501—DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF**
 2 **THE CIVIL WAR 1861–1865**

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3 **§50101. Definition**

4 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 5 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

6 **§50102. Organization**

7 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War*
 8 *1861–1865 (in this chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation in-*
 9 *corporated in Ohio, is a federally chartered corporation.*

10 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 11 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

12 **§50103. Purposes**

13 *(a) PROVIDED IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.—The purposes of the cor-*
 14 *poration are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

15 *(b) PERPETUATING MEMORIES.—To perpetuate the memories of the fathers*
 16 *of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861–1865, their loyalty*
 17 *to the Union, and their unselfish sacrifices for the preservation of the Union,*
 18 *the purposes of the corporation also include—*

19 *(1) encouraging the preservation of historic sites and the construction*
 20 *and preservation of monuments commemorating any aspect of the Civil*
 21 *War;*

22 *(2) building and maintaining a Museum of Civil War History, admis-*
 23 *sion to which shall be free and open to the public, in the city of Spring-*
 24 *field, Illinois, as a repository of Civil War documents, artifacts, and cul-*
 25 *tural relics;*

26 *(3) maintaining a library in connection with the Civil War museum,*
 27 *admission to which shall be open to the public, containing the official*
 28 *volumes of the War of the Rebellion Records, Civil War genealogical files,*
 29 *Adjutant General reports of the various States, military and biographi-*
 30 *cal records and accounts of the individual service of Union soldiers, sail-*
 31 *ors, and marines, diaries, letters, relics, and other records;*

1 (4) promulgating and teaching American history, particularly the his-
 2 tory of the Civil War period, through the establishment of scholarship
 3 programs at the national and State levels, the presentation of American
 4 flags to youth groups and newly naturalized citizens, and the sponsor-
 5 ship of contests of educational merit;

6 (5) caring for veterans of all wars through volunteer programs in De-
 7 partment of Veterans Affairs medical centers and in homes and other in-
 8 stitutions maintained by the States for the welfare of American veterans;
 9 and

10 (6) participating, in a spirit of cooperation and reciprocity, in pro-
 11 grams with other societies devoted to American history, veterans' affairs,
 12 or community interests.

13 (c) *VETERANS' AND PATRIOTIC ORGANIZATION.*—The corporation shall
 14 function as a veterans' and patriotic organization as authorized by the laws
 15 of each State in which it is incorporated.

16 **§50104. Membership**

17 Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges
 18 of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

19 **§50105. Governing body**

20 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—The board of directors and the responsibilities
 21 of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

22 (b) *OFFICERS.*—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in
 23 the articles of incorporation.

24 **§50106. Powers**

25 The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles
 26 of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.

27 **§50107. Restrictions**

28 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
 29 clare or pay a dividend.

30 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
 31 such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity
 32 or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.

33 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
 34 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
 35 officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This
 36 subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-
 37 ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by
 38 the board of directors.

39 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
 40 or employee.

1 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.*—The cor-
 2 poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United
 3 States Government for any of its activities.

4 **§50108. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

5 The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from
 6 taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.). If
 7 the corporation does not maintain that status, the charter granted by this
 8 chapter expires.

9 **§50109. Records and inspection**

10 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

11 (1) correct and complete records of account;

12 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
 13 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

14 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
 15 members entitled to vote.

16 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
 17 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
 18 at any reasonable time.

19 **§50110. Service of process**

20 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
 21 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
 22 ties.

23 **§50111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

24 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
 25 the scope of their authority.

26 **§50112. Annual report**

27 The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities
 28 of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted
 29 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
 30 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

31 **CHAPTER 503—DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS**

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50304. Powers.

50305. Exclusive right to name.

50306. Restrictions.

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32 **§50301. Organization**

33 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—Disabled American Veterans (in this chapter, the
 34 “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.

1 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
2 *tion has perpetual existence.*

3 **§50302. Purposes**

4 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

5 (1) *to uphold and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United*
6 *States;*

7 (2) *to realize the true American ideals and aims for which those eligi-*
8 *ble to membership fought;*

9 (3) *to advance the interests, and work for the betterment, of all wound-*
10 *ed, injured, and disabled American veterans;*

11 (4) *to cooperate with the Department of Veterans Affairs and all other*
12 *public and private agencies devoted to the cause of improving and ad-*
13 *vancing the condition, health, and interests of all wounded, injured, and*
14 *disabled veterans;*

15 (5) *to stimulate a feeling of mutual devotion, helpfulness, and com-*
16 *radeship among all wounded, injured, and disabled veterans;*

17 (6) *to serve our comrades, our communities, and our country; and*

18 (7) *to encourage in all people that spirit of understanding which will*
19 *guard against future wars.*

20 **§50303. Membership**

21 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*An individual is eligible for membership in the corpora-*
22 *tion if the individual—*

23 (1)(A) *was wounded, gassed, injured, or disabled in the line of duty*
24 *during time of war while in the service of the military or naval forces*
25 *of the United States; and*

26 (B) *was honorably discharged or separated from that service or is still*
27 *in active service in the armed forces of the United States; or*

28 (2)(A) *was disabled while serving with any of the armed forces of a*
29 *country associated with the United States as an ally during any of its*
30 *war periods;*

31 (B) *is a citizen of the United States; and*

32 (C) *was honorably discharged.*

33 (b) *NO HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS.*—*An honorary membership may not be*
34 *granted.*

35 **§50304. Powers**

36 *The corporation may—*

37 (1) *adopt a constitution, bylaws, and regulations to carry out the pur-*
38 *poses of the corporation;*

39 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

40 (3) *adopt emblems and badges;*

41 (4) *establish and maintain offices to conduct its activities;*

1 (5) *establish State and territorial organizations and local chapter or*
2 *post organizations;*

3 (6) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
4 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

5 (7) *publish a newspaper and other publications devoted to the pur-*
6 *poses of the corporation;*

7 (8) *sue and be sued; and*

8 (9) *do any other act necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of*
9 *the corporation.*

10 **§50305. Exclusive right to name**

11 *The corporation and its State and local subdivisions have the exclusive*
12 *right to use the name “Disabled American Veterans”.*

13 **§50306. Restrictions**

14 *The corporation shall be nonpolitical and nonsectarian, and may not pro-*
15 *mote the candidacy of an individual seeking public office.*

16 **§50307. Service of process**

17 *As a condition to the exercise of any power or privilege granted by this*
18 *chapter, the corporation shall file, with the secretary of state or other des-*
19 *ignated official of each State in which a chapter is organized, the name and*
20 *address of an agent in that State on whom legal process or demands against*
21 *the corporation may be served.*

22 **§50308. Annual report**

23 *Not later than January 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a re-*
24 *port to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior fiscal*
25 *year.*

26 **CHAPTER 601—82ND AIRBORNE DIVISION ASSOCIATION,**
27 **INCORPORATED**

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60112. *Annual report.*

28 **§60101. Definition**

29 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
30 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

1 **§ 60102. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—82nd Airborne Division Association, Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in Illinois, is a federally chartered corporation.

5 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—If the corporation does not comply with any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.

7 **§ 60103. Purposes**

8 The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorporation and include—

10 (1) *perpetuating the memory of members of the 82nd Airborne Division who fought and died for this country;*

12 (2) *furthering the common bond between retired and active members of the 82nd Airborne Division;*

14 (3) *providing educational assistance in the form of college scholarships and grants to the qualified children of current and former members of the 82nd Airborne Division;*

17 (4) *promoting civic and patriotic activities; and*

18 (5) *promoting the indispensable role of airborne defense to the national security of the United States.*

20 **§ 60104. Membership**

21 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

24 (b) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—The terms of membership may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, or national origin.

26 **§ 60105. Governing body**

27 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—The board of directors and the responsibilities of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

29 (b) *OFFICERS.*—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

31 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—The requirements for holding office in the corporation may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, or national origin.

34 **§ 60106. Powers**

35 The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.

37 **§ 60107. Restrictions**

38 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or declare or pay a dividend.

1 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director or officer as*
 2 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
 3 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

4 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
 5 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 6 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
 7 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
 8 *ficer or reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses in amounts ap-*
 9 *proved by the board of directors.*

10 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 11 *or employee.*

12 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.*—*The cor-*
 13 *poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
 14 *States Government for any of its activities.*

15 **§ 60108. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

16 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 17 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

18 **§ 60109. Records and inspection**

19 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

20 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

21 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 22 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

23 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 24 *members entitled to vote.*

25 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 26 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 27 *at any reasonable time.*

28 **§ 60110. Service of process**

29 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 30 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 31 *ties.*

32 **§ 60111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

33 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 34 *the scope of their authority.*

35 **§ 60112. Annual report**

36 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 37 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 38 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 39 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

40 **CHAPTER 701— FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION**

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- 70109. *Records and inspection.*
- 70110. *Service of process.*
- 70111. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*
- 70112. *Annual report.*

1 **§ 70101. Definition**

2 For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and
3 the territories and possessions of the United States.

4 **§ 70102. Organization**

5 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Fleet Reserve Association (in this chapter, the*
6 *“corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in Delaware, is a feder-*
7 *ally chartered corporation.*

8 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—*If the corporation does not comply with*
9 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

10 **§ 70103. Purposes**

11 (a) *GENERAL.*—*The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its arti-*
12 *cles of incorporation and bylaws and include—*

13 (1) *upholding and defending the Constitution of the United States;*

14 (2) *aiding and maintaining an adequate naval defense for the United*
15 *States;*

16 (3) *assisting the recruitment of the best personnel available for the*
17 *United States Navy, United States Marine Corps, and United States*
18 *Coast Guard;*

19 (4) *providing for the welfare of the personnel who serve in the United*
20 *States Navy, United States Marine Corps, and United States Coast*
21 *Guard;*

22 (5) *continuing to loyally serve the United States Navy, United States*
23 *Marine Corps, and United States Coast Guard;*

24 (6) *preserving the spirit of shipmanship by providing assistance to*
25 *shipmates and their families; and*

26 (7) *instilling love of the United States and its flag, and promoting*
27 *soundness of mind and body, in the youth of the United States.*

28 (b) *CORPORATE FUNCTION.*—*The corporation shall function as an edu-*
29 *cational, patriotic, civic, historical, and research organization under the laws*
30 *of the State of Delaware.*

1 **§ 70104. Membership**

2 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
 3 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
 4 *provided in the articles of incorporation and bylaws.*

5 (b) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—*The terms of membership may not discriminate*
 6 *on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, age, or national origin.*

7 **§ 70105. Governing body**

8 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 9 *of the board are as provided in the bylaws and articles of incorporation.*

10 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
 11 *the bylaws and articles of incorporation.*

12 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—*The requirements for serving as a director or of-*
 13 *ficer may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability,*
 14 *age, or national origin.*

15 **§ 70106. Powers**

16 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
 17 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

18 **§ 70107. Restrictions**

19 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 20 *clare or pay a dividend.*

21 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
 22 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 23 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
 24 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
 25 *ficer or employee or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts*
 26 *approved by the board of directors.*

27 (c) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 28 *employee, or member.*

29 (d) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—*The corpora-*
 30 *tion may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
 31 *States Government for any of its activities.*

32 **§ 70108. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

33 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as a*
 34 *corporation incorporated under the laws of Delaware.*

35 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as an*
 36 *organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986*
 37 *(26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

38 **§ 70109. Records and inspection**

39 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

40 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

1 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
2 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

3 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
4 members entitled to vote.

5 (b) *INSPECTION*.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
6 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
7 at any reasonable time.

8 **§ 70110. Service of process**

9 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
10 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
11 ties.

12 **§ 70111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

13 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
14 the scope of their authority.

15 **§ 70112. Annual report**

16 The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities
17 of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted
18 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
19 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

20 **CHAPTER 703—FORMER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS**

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70312. Annual report.

21 **§ 70301. Definition**

22 For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and
23 the territories and possessions of the United States.

24 **§ 70302. Organization**

25 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER*.—Former Members of Congress (in this chapter, the
26 “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in the District of Co-
27 lumbia, is a federally chartered corporation.

28 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER*.—If the corporation does not comply with
29 any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.

30 **§ 70303. Purposes**

31 The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-
32 ration and include the promotion of the cause of good government at the

1 national level by improving the public understanding of Congress as an insti-
2 tution and strengthening its support by the public. The corporation shall
3 function as an educational, patriotic, civic, historical, and research organiza-
4 tion as authorized by the laws of each State in which it is incorporated.

5 **§ 70304. Membership**

6 Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges
7 of members are as provided in the bylaws.

8 **§ 70305. Governing body**

9 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—The board of directors and the responsibilities
10 of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

11 (b) *OFFICERS.*—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in
12 the articles of incorporation.

13 **§ 70306. Powers**

14 The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles
15 of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.

16 **§ 70307. Restrictions**

17 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
18 clare or pay a dividend.

19 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
20 such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity
21 or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.

22 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
23 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
24 officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This
25 subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-
26 ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by
27 the board of directors.

28 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
29 or employee.

30 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.*—The cor-
31 poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United
32 States Government for any of its activities.

33 **§ 70308. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

34 The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from
35 taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

36 **§ 70309. Records and inspection**

37 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

38 (1) correct and complete records of account;

39 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
40 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

1 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
2 *members entitled to vote.*

3 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
4 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
5 *at any reasonable time.*

6 **§ 70310. Service of process**

7 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
8 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
9 *ties.*

10 **§ 70311. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

11 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
12 *the scope of their authority.*

13 **§ 70312. Annual report**

14 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
15 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
16 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
17 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

18 **CHAPTER 705—THE FOUNDATION OF THE FEDERAL BAR**
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20 **§ 70501. Organization**

21 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—The Foundation of the Federal Bar Association*
22 *(in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

23 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is de-*
24 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

25 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
26 *tion has perpetual existence.*

27 **§ 70502. Purposes**

28 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

29 (1) *to receive and hold property, including by gift, devise, or grant,*
30 *and to invest, administer, and dispose of the property without restric-*
31 *tions applicable to trustees or trust funds;*

1 (2) to apply its income and any part of its principal exclusively to
2 educational, charitable, scientific, or literary purposes—

3 (A) to advance the science of jurisprudence;

4 (B) to uphold high standards for the Federal judiciary and attor-
5 neys representing the United States Government;

6 (C) to promote and improve the administration of justice, includ-
7 ing the study of means for the improved handling of the legal busi-
8 ness of the departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Gov-
9 ernment;

10 (D) to facilitate the cultivation and diffusion of knowledge and
11 understanding of the law and the promotion of the study of the law
12 and the science of jurisprudence and research in jurisprudence,
13 through the maintenance of a law library, the establishment of semi-
14 nars, lectures, and studies devoted to the law, and the publication
15 of addresses, essays, treatises, reports and other literary works by
16 students, practitioners, and teachers of the law; and

17 (E) to provide for the acquisition, preservation, and exhibition of
18 rare books and documents, sculptures, paintings, and other objects
19 of art and historical interest relating to the law, the courts, and the
20 legal profession; and

21 (3) to do any other acts necessary or incident to the accomplishment
22 of these purposes.

23 **§ 70503. Membership**

24 (a) *MEMBERS.*—The members of the corporation are—

25 (1) the members of the National Council of the Federal Bar Associa-
26 tion, a nonprofit corporation incorporated in the District of Columbia,
27 during their term of membership on that Council; and

28 (2) other individuals the corporation provides for in the bylaws or oth-
29 erwise.

30 (b) *VOTING.*—Each member has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote
31 of the members.

32 (c) *GROUND FOR DISQUALIFICATION.*—An individual may not be a mem-
33 ber, director, or officer of the corporation if the individual—

34 (1) is a member of, or advocates the principles of, an organization be-
35 lieving in, or working for, the overthrow of the United States Govern-
36 ment by force or violence; or

37 (2) refuses to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States.

38 **§ 70504. Governing body**

39 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) The board of directors is the governing
40 body of the corporation. The board may exercise, or provide for the exercise
41 of, the powers of the corporation.

1 (2) *The board shall consist of 12 individuals elected, and subject to removal*
 2 *at any time, by a majority vote of the members of the corporation. The term*
 3 *of office of an elected director is 6 years. A vacancy on the board shall be*
 4 *filled by a majority vote of the members of the corporation.*

5 (3) *The board shall meet at least annually. Each director has one vote on*
 6 *each matter decided by the board. The board may delegate its powers to a*
 7 *prudential committee subject to the direction of, and reporting to, the board.*

8 (4) *The president of the corporation is the chairman of the board and of*
 9 *the prudential committee.*

10 (b) **OFFICERS.**—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a president, a vice*
 11 *president, a secretary, a treasurer, a historian, and other officers provided for*
 12 *in the bylaws. The powers of the officers are as provided in the bylaws.*

13 (2) *The officers shall be elected by the board of directors at its annual meet-*
 14 *ing. The term of office of an officer is one year.*

15 **§ 70505. Powers**

16 *The corporation may—*

17 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws for the management of its property and*
 18 *the regulation of its affairs;*

19 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

20 (3) *choose officers, managers, and agents as the activities of the cor-*
 21 *poration require;*

22 (4) *make contracts;*

23 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 24 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

25 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 26 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

27 (7) *sue and be sued; and*

28 (8) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 29 *of the corporation.*

30 **§ 70506. Exclusive right to name**

31 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “The Foundation*
 32 *of the Federal Bar Association”.*

33 **§ 70507. Restrictions**

34 (a) **STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.**—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 35 *clare or pay a dividend.*

36 (b) **POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.**—(1) *The activities, funds, income, and property*
 37 *of the corporation may not be used to carry on political activity or attempt*
 38 *to influence legislation.*

39 (2) *The corporation or a director or officer as such may not contribute to,*
 40 *support, or assist a political party or candidate for elective public office.*

1 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME.*—*The income of the corporation may not*
 2 *inure to the benefit of a director, officer, member, or private individual.*

3 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a direc-*
 4 *tor or officer. Directors and officers who vote for, assent to, or participate in*
 5 *making a loan or advance to a director or officer are jointly and severally*
 6 *liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until it is*
 7 *repaid.*

8 (e) *IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY.*—*Members and private individuals are not*
 9 *liable for the obligations of the corporation.*

10 **§ 70508. Principal office**

11 *The corporation shall have its principal office in the District of Columbia,*
 12 *but may conduct its activities anywhere.*

13 **§ 70509. Records and inspection**

14 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

15 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

16 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 17 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

18 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 19 *members entitled to vote.*

20 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 21 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 22 *at any reasonable time.*

23 **§ 70510. Service of process**

24 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 25 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 26 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 27 *on the corporation.*

28 **§ 70511. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

29 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 30 *the scope of their authority.*

31 **§ 70512. Deposit of assets on dissolution or final liquidation**

32 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 33 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be deposited in the Treasury of the*
 34 *United States as a miscellaneous receipt.*

35 **CHAPTER 707—FREDERICK DOUGLASS MEMORIAL AND**
 36 **HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

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1 **§ 70701. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical As-*
3 *sociation (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic*
4 *in the District of Columbia*

5 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
6 *tion has perpetual existence.*

7 **§ 70702. Purposes**

8 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

9 (1) *to preserve to posterity the memory of the life and character of the*
10 *late Frederick Douglass; and*

11 (2) *to collect, collate, and preserve a historical record of the inception,*
12 *progress, and culmination of the antislavery movement in the United*
13 *States, and to assemble in the homestead of the late Frederick Douglass,*
14 *commonly called Cedar Hill, in the village of Anacostia, District of Co-*
15 *lumbia, all suitable exhibits of records or things illustrative or commemo-*
16 *rative of the antislavery movement and history that are donated to, or*
17 *acquired by, the corporation.*

18 **§ 70703. Governing body**

19 (a) *BOARD OF TRUSTEES.*—(1) *The board of trustees is the governing body*
20 *of the corporation. The board shall exercise the powers granted to the corpora-*
21 *tion.*

22 (2) *The board shall consist of at least 9 but not more than 19 members.*
23 *A vacancy on the board shall be filled by decision of the remaining members*
24 *of the board.*

25 (3) *The board shall adopt a seal under which all acts of the corporation*
26 *shall be passed and authenticated.*

27 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The board shall elect officers the board considers nec-*
28 *essary, including a treasurer, for the term and at the compensation the board*
29 *decides, as provided in the bylaws.*

30 (2) *The treasurer shall give a bond as provided in the bylaws.*

31 (3) *The board may remove an officer, employee, or agent of the corporation*
32 *for a cause provided in the bylaws.*

33 **§ 70704. Powers**

34 *The corporation may—*

35 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws for the regulation of its affairs;*

36 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

37 (3) *employ persons the corporation considers necessary;*

38 (4) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property;*

39 (5) *sue and be sued; and*

(6) do any other act to carry out the purposes of the corporation.

§ 70705. Management of homestead and erection of monument

After the corporation has acquired any part of the property occupied by the late Frederick Douglass as his homestead, commonly called Cedar Hill, in the village of Anacostia, District of Columbia, the corporation may—

(1) manage, repair, and improve the property to carry out the purposes of the corporation; and

(2) erect on the property a monument to the memory of the late Frederick Douglass.

§ 70706. Property exempt from taxation

Any property formerly occupied by the late Frederick Douglass as his homestead, commonly called Cedar Hill, in the village of Anacostia, District of Columbia, and owned by the corporation, is exempt from taxation as long as the property is used for the purposes of the corporation.

§ 70707. Misnomer not to affect transfer of property

A misnomer of the corporation does not affect any transfer of property to or from the corporation.

§ 70708. Nonapplication of audit requirements

The audit requirements of section 10101 of this title do not apply to the corporation.

CHAPTER 709—FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

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§ 70901. Organization

(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Future Farmers of America (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.

(b) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corporation has perpetual existence.

§ 70902. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are—

(1) to create, foster, and assist subsidiary chapters composed of students and former students of vocational agriculture in public schools

1 *qualifying for Federal reimbursement under the Smith-Hughes Vocational Education Act (20 U.S.C. 11–15, 16–28) and associations of those*
 2 *chapters in the States, territories, and possessions of the United States;*

3 *(2) to develop character, train for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism, and thereby develop competent and aggressive rural and agricultural leadership;*

4 *(3) to create and nurture a love of country life by encouraging members to improve the farm home and its surroundings, to develop organized rural recreational activities, and to create more interest in the intelligent choice of farming occupations;*

5 *(4) to encourage the practice of thrift;*

6 *(5) to procure for and distribute to State associations, local chapters, and members all official supplies and equipment of the corporation;*

7 *(6) to publish an official magazine and other publications for the members of the corporation;*

8 *(7) to strengthen the confidence of young men and women in themselves and their work, to encourage members in the development of individual farming programs, and to promote their permanent establishment in farming by—*

9 *(A) encouraging improvement in scholarship;*

10 *(B) providing prizes and awards to deserving students who have achieved distinction in vocational agriculture, including farm mechanics activities on a local, State, or national basis; and*

11 *(C) assisting financially, through loans or grants, deserving students in all-day vocational agriculture classes and young farmers under 30 years of age who were former students in all-day vocational agriculture classes in becoming satisfactorily established in a farming occupation;*

12 *(8) to cooperate with others, including State boards for vocational education, in accomplishing these purposes; and*

13 *(9) to engage in other activities, consistent with these purposes, determined by the governing body to be for the best interests of the corporation.*

14 **§ 70903. Membership**

15 *(a) ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

16 *(b) VOTING.—In matters of official business of a local chapter, each member has one vote. In matters of official business of a State association, each qualified delegate of a local chapter has one vote.*

1 **§70904. Governing body**

2 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) *The board of directors is the governing*
 3 *body of the corporation. The board shall exercise the powers granted to the*
 4 *corporation.*

5 (2) *The board consists of the Secretary of Education, 4 staff members in*
 6 *the Department of Education, and 4 State supervisors of agriculture edu-*
 7 *cation. The Secretary is chairman of the board.*

8 (3) *The term of office of the directors and the method of selecting the direc-*
 9 *tors (except ex officio directors) are as provided in the bylaws.*

10 (4) *The board shall meet at least annually at the time and place provided*
 11 *in the bylaws. The annual report of the board shall be presented at that meet-*
 12 *ing. Special meetings of the board may be called at any time by the chair-*
 13 *man.*

14 (b) *GOVERNING COMMITTEE.*—*The board may designate the chairman of*
 15 *the board and 2 members of the chairman's staff as a governing committee.*
 16 *When the board is not in session, the governing committee has the powers of*
 17 *the board subject to the board's direction and may authorize the seal of the*
 18 *corporation to be affixed to all papers that require it.*

19 **§70905. National officers**

20 (a) *COMPOSITION.*—*The national officers of the corporation are a student*
 21 *president, 4 student vice presidents (one from each of 4 regions of the United*
 22 *States established in the bylaws for purposes of administration of the corpora-*
 23 *tion), a student secretary, an executive secretary, a treasurer, and a national*
 24 *advisor.*

25 (b) *BOARD OF STUDENT OFFICERS.*—*The national student officers of the*
 26 *corporation comprise a board of student officers. The board of student officers*
 27 *shall advise and make recommendations to the board of directors about the*
 28 *activities and business of the corporation.*

29 (c) *ELECTION.*—*The national officers of the corporation shall be elected an-*
 30 *nually by a majority vote of the delegates assembled in the annual national*
 31 *convention from among qualified members of the corporation, except that—*

32 (1) *the national advisor shall be the Secretary of Education;*

33 (2) *the executive secretary shall be a member of the Department of*
 34 *Education; and*

35 (3) *the treasurer shall be an employee or member of a State agency*
 36 *that directs or supervises a State program of agricultural education*
 37 *under the provisions of the Smith-Hughes Vocational Education Act (20*
 38 *U.S.C. 11–15, 16–28).*

39 (d) *VOTE AT NATIONAL CONVENTION.*—*Each qualified delegate has one vote*
 40 *at the annual national convention.*

1 **§70906. Powers**

2 *The corporation may—*

3 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws and regulations for the management of*
 4 *its property and the regulation of its affairs, including the establishment*
 5 *and maintenance of local chapters and State associations of chapters;*

6 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

7 (3) *adopt emblems and badges;*

8 (4) *choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities*
 9 *of the corporation require;*

10 (5) *make contracts;*

11 (6) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 12 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

13 (7) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 14 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

15 (8) *use corporate funds to give prizes, awards, loans, and grants to*
 16 *deserving students and young farmers to carry out the purposes of the*
 17 *corporation;*

18 (9) *publish a magazine and other publications;*

19 (10) *procure for and distribute to State associations, local chapters,*
 20 *and members all official Future Farmers of America supplies and equip-*
 21 *ment;*

22 (11) *sue and be sued; and*

23 (12) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 24 *of the corporation.*

25 **§70907. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges**

26 *The corporation and its authorized chapters and associations of chapters*
 27 *have the exclusive right to use the name “Future Farmers of America” and*
 28 *the initials FFA as representing an agricultural membership organization*
 29 *and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

30 **§70908. Restrictions**

31 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 32 *clare or pay a dividend.*

33 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director, officer, or mem-*
 34 *ber as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or can-*
 35 *didate for elective public office.*

36 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 37 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 38 *officer, or member, except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corpora-*
 39 *tion.*

40 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 41 *or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,*

1 officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are
2 jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until
3 it is repaid.

4 (e) PRIZES, AWARDS, GRANTS, OR LOANS TO STUDENT OFFICERS AND
5 MEMBERS MEETING CRITERIA.—This section does not preclude prizes,
6 awards, grants, or loans to student officers and members meeting the criteria
7 established by the board of directors for selecting recipients of those benefits.

8 **§ 70909. Availability of personnel, services, and facilities of**
9 **Department of Education**

10 On request of the board of directors of the corporation, the Secretary of
11 Education may make personnel, services, and facilities of the Department of
12 Education available to administer or assist in the administration of the ac-
13 tivities of the corporation. Personnel of the Department may not receive com-
14 pensation from the corporation for their services, except that travel and other
15 legitimate expenses as defined by the Secretary and approved by the board
16 may be paid. The Secretary also may cooperate with the State boards for vo-
17 cational education to assist in the promotion of the activities of the corpora-
18 tion.

19 **§ 70910. Headquarters and principal office**

20 The headquarters and principal office of the corporation shall be in the
21 District of Columbia. However, the activities of the corporation are not con-
22 fined to the District of Columbia but may be conducted throughout the States,
23 territories, and possessions of the United States.

24 **§ 70911. Records and inspection**

25 (a) RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—

26 (1) correct and complete records of account;

27 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
28 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

29 (3) a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote.

30 (b) INSPECTION.—A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may
31 inspect the records of the corporation at any reasonable time.

32 **§ 70912. Service of process**

33 (a) DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—The corporation shall have a designated
34 agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corpora-
35 tion. Designation of the agent shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the
36 United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Notice to or service
37 on the agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or
38 service on the corporation.

39 (b) STATES, TERRITORIES, AND POSSESSIONS.—As a condition to the exer-
40 cise of any power or privilege granted by this chapter, the corporation shall
41 file, with the secretary of state or other designated official of each State, terri-

1 tory, or possession of the United States in which a subordinate association
 2 or chapter is organized, the name and address of an agent in that State, terri-
 3 tory, or possession on whom legal process or demands against the corporation
 4 may be served.

5 **§ 70913. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

6 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 7 *the scope of their authority.*

8 **§ 70914. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 9 **uidation**

10 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 11 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be used by the board of directors for*
 12 *the benefit of students of vocational agriculture or be transferred to a recog-*
 13 *nized educational foundation.*

14 **CHAPTER 801—GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN’S**
 15 **CLUBS**

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16 **§ 80101. Organization**

17 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—General Federation of Women’s Clubs (in this*
 18 *chapter, the “corporation”)* is a body corporate and politic of the District of
 19 Columbia.

20 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 21 *tion has perpetual existence.*

22 **§ 80102. Purposes**

23 *The corporation shall be organized and operated exclusively for charitable*
 24 *and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the In-*
 25 *ternal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3)) and shall comply with the*
 26 *requirements for classification as an exempt organization under section*
 27 *501(c)(3). The charitable purposes of the corporation shall be achieved through*
 28 *volunteer efforts by the members of the corporation, including arts programs,*
 29 *conservation programs, educational programs, homelife programs, inter-*
 30 *national affairs, public affairs programs advancing information about public*
 31 *affairs, and community improvement programs.*

32 **§ 80103. Constitution and bylaws**

33 *The corporation shall have a constitution and may adopt bylaws for the*
 34 *admission and qualifications of members, the management of its property,*
 35 *and the regulation of its affairs. The corporation may amend its constitution*
 36 *and bylaws.*

1 **§80104. Property**

2 *The corporation may—*

3 *(1) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*

4 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation; and*

5 *(2) issue instruments of indebtedness in relation to its real property.*

6 **§80105. Principal office and meetings**

7 *(a) PRINCIPAL OFFICE.—The principal office of the corporation shall be in*
8 *the District of Columbia.*

9 *(b) MEETINGS.—The corporation may hold its meetings at places outside*
10 *the District of Columbia.*

11 **§80106. Distribution of assets on dissolution**

12 *On dissolution of the corporation, the board of directors shall liquidate and*
13 *distribute its assets to organizations qualified as exempt organizations under*
14 *section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3))*
15 *with purposes similar to those of the corporation.*

16 **CHAPTER 803—GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF**
17 **AMERICA**

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18 **§80301. Organization**

19 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Girl Scouts of the United States of America (in*
20 *this chapter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic of the District*
21 *of Columbia.*

22 *(b) DOMICILE.—The domicile of the corporation is the District of Colum-*
23 *bia.*

24 *(c) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
25 *tion has perpetual existence.*

26 **§80302. Purposes**

27 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

28 *(1) to promote the qualities of truth, loyalty, helpfulness, friendliness,*
29 *courtesy, purity, kindness, obedience, cheerfulness, thriftiness, and kin-*
30 *dred virtues among girls, as a preparation for their responsibilities in*
31 *the home and for service to the community;*

32 *(2) to direct and coordinate the Girl Scout movement in the United*
33 *States and territories and possessions of the United States; and*

1 (3) to fix and maintain standards for the movement that will inspire
2 the rising generation with the highest ideals of character, patriotism,
3 conduct, and attainment.

4 **§80303. Governing body**

5 (a) NATIONAL COUNCIL.—(1) There shall be a National Council of Girl
6 Scouts. The number, qualifications, and term of office of members of the
7 Council are as provided in the constitution of the corporation, except that
8 members of the Council must be citizens of the United States.

9 (2) The Council may adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws and elect
10 a board of directors, officers, and agents.

11 (3) The constitution may prescribe the number of members of the Council
12 necessary for a quorum. That number may be less than a majority of the en-
13 tire Council.

14 (4) Meetings of the Council shall be held as provided in the constitution
15 to hold elections and receive reports of the officers and board of directors. Spe-
16 cial meetings may be called as provided in the constitution.

17 (b) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—(1) To the extent provided in the constitution
18 and bylaws, the board of directors shall have the powers of the Council and
19 manage the activities of the corporation between meetings of the Council. The
20 number, qualifications, and term of office of directors are as provided in the
21 constitution.

22 (2) The constitution may prescribe the number of directors necessary for
23 a quorum. That number shall be at least 20 or two-fifths of the entire board.

24 (c) EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMITTEES.—The bylaws may provide for—

25 (1) an executive committee to carry out the powers of the board of di-
26 rectors between meetings of the board; and

27 (2) other committees to operate under the general supervision of the
28 board of directors.

29 (d) LOCATION OF MEETINGS AND RECORDS.—The Council and the board
30 of directors may hold meetings and keep the seal and records of the corpora-
31 tion in or outside the District of Columbia.

32 **§80304. Powers**

33 The corporation may—

34 (1) adopt and amend a constitution, bylaws, and regulations, includ-
35 ing regulations for the election of associates and successors;

36 (2) adopt and alter a seal;

37 (3) have offices and conduct its activities in the District of Columbia
38 and in the States, territories, and possessions of the United States;

39 (4) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property, and use any
40 income from the property, as necessary to carry out the purposes of the
41 corporation;

1 (5) sue and be sued within the jurisdiction of the United States; and

2 (6) do any other act necessary to carry out this chapter and the pur-
3 poses of the corporation.

4 **§80305. Exclusive right to emblems, badges, marks, and**
5 **words**

6 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use all emblems and badges, de-*
7 *scriptive or designating marks, and words or phrases the corporation adopts,*
8 *including the badge of the Girl Scouts, Incorporated, referred to in the Act*
9 *of August 12, 1937 (ch. 590, 50 Stat. 623), and to authorize their use, during*
10 *the life of the corporation, in connection with the manufacture, advertisement,*
11 *and sale of equipment and merchandise. This section does not affect any vest-*
12 *ed rights.*

13 **§80306. Restrictions**

14 (a) *PROFIT.*—*The corporation may not operate for profit.*

15 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation shall be nonpolitical and non-*
16 *sectarian.*

17 **§80307. Annual report**

18 *Not later than April 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a report*
19 *to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior fiscal year.*
20 *The report shall be printed each year, with accompanying illustrations, as a*
21 *separate House document of the session of the Congress to which the report*
22 *is submitted.*

23 **CHAPTER 805—GOLD STAR WIVES OF AMERICA**

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24 **§80501. Definition**

25 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
26 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

27 **§80502. Organization**

28 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Gold Star Wives of America (in this chapter, the*
29 *“corporation”), incorporated in New York, is a federally chartered corpora-*
30 *tion.*

31 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—*If the corporation does not comply with*
32 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

1 **§ 80503. Purposes**

2 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

3 *(1) to operate in the public interest, as a nonpartisan and nonprofit*
4 *organization, solely for patriotic, charitable, literary, educational, sci-*
5 *entific, or civic improvement purposes; and*

6 *(2) the purposes stated in its articles of incorporation that are not in-*
7 *consistent with the purposes described in clause (1) of this section.*

8 **§ 80504. Membership**

9 *(a) ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
10 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
11 *provided in the articles of incorporation and bylaws.*

12 *(b) NONDISCRIMINATION.—The terms of membership may not discriminate*
13 *on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin.*

14 **§ 80505. Governing body**

15 *(a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
16 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

17 *(b) OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
18 *the articles of incorporation.*

19 *(c) NONDISCRIMINATION.—The requirements for holding office in the cor-*
20 *poration may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, or na-*
21 *tional origin.*

22 **§ 80506. Powers**

23 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
24 *of incorporation filed in the State in which it is incorporated.*

25 **§ 80507. Restrictions**

26 *(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
27 *clare or pay a dividend.*

28 *(b) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
29 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
30 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

31 *(c) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
32 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
33 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
34 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
35 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
36 *the board of directors.*

37 *(d) LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to any director, officer,*
38 *or employee.*

39 **§ 80508. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

40 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
41 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

1 **§80509. Records and inspection**

2 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

3 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

4 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 5 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

6 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 7 *members entitled to vote.*

8 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 9 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 10 *at any reasonable time.*

11 **§80510. Service of process**

12 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 13 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 14 *ties.*

15 **§80511. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

16 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 17 *the scope of their authority and in accordance with the laws of the States in*
 18 *which it carries on its activities.*

19 **§80512. Annual report**

20 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 21 *of the corporation during the prior calendar year. The report may not be*
 22 *printed as a public document.*

23 **CHAPTER 901—[RESERVED]**

24 **CHAPTER 1001—ITALIAN AMERICAN WAR VETERANS OF**
 25 **THE UNITED STATES**

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100112. *Annual report.*

26 **§100101. Definition**

27 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 28 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

29 **§100102. Organization**

30 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Italian American War Veterans of the United*
 31 *States (in this chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incor-*
 32 *porated in California, Connecticut, Florida, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New*

1 York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island, is a federally chartered corpora-
2 tion.

3 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—If the corporation does not comply with
4 any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.

5 **§100103. Purposes**

6 The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-
7 ration and include—

8 (1) giving patriotic allegiance to the United States, fidelity to the Con-
9 stitution and laws of the United States, and support to the security of
10 civil liberty and permanence of free institutions;

11 (2) stimulating patriotism in the minds of Americans by encouraging
12 the study of the history of the United States;

13 (3) ensuring the preservation and defense of the United States from
14 all enemies without reservation;

15 (4) preserving the memories and records of patriotic service performed
16 by men and women who served in the armed forces, by gathering, collat-
17 ing, editing, publishing, and exhibiting the memorabilia, information,
18 records, military awards, decorations, and citations of those who served
19 in the armed forces;

20 (5) promoting peace, prosperity, and good will between the peoples of
21 the United States and Italy; and

22 (6) functioning as a veterans' and patriotic organization as author-
23 ized by the laws of each State in which it is incorporated.

24 **§100104. Membership**

25 A citizen of the United States who was honorably discharged from the
26 armed forces is eligible for membership in the corporation. Except as provided
27 in this chapter, eligibility for membership and the rights and privileges of
28 members are as provided in the bylaws.

29 **§100105. Governing body**

30 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—The board of directors and the responsibilities
31 of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

32 (b) *OFFICERS.*—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in
33 the articles of incorporation.

34 **§100106. Powers**

35 The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles
36 of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.

37 **§100107. Restrictions**

38 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
39 clare or pay a dividend.

1 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director or officer as*
2 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
3 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

4 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
5 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
6 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
7 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
8 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
9 *the board of directors.*

10 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
11 *or employee.*

12 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—*The corporation*
13 *may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United States*
14 *Government for any of its activities.*

15 **§ 100108. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

16 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
17 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

18 **§ 100109. Records and inspection**

19 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

20 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

21 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
22 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

23 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
24 *members entitled to vote.*

25 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
26 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
27 *at any reasonable time.*

28 **§ 100110. Service of process**

29 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
30 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
31 *ties.*

32 **§ 100111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

33 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
34 *the scope of their authority.*

35 **§ 100112. Annual report**

36 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
37 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
38 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
39 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

1 **CHAPTER 1101—JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED**
 2 **STATES OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED**

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 110112. *Annual report.*

3 **§ 110101. Definition**

4 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 5 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

6 **§ 110102. Organization**

7 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Jewish War Veterans of the United States of*
 8 *America, Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit cor-*
 9 *poration incorporated in New York, is a federally chartered corporation.*

10 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 11 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

12 **§ 110103. Purposes**

13 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-*
 14 *tion and include a continuing commitment, on a national basis, to—*

15 *(1) maintain true allegiance to the United States;*

16 *(2) foster and perpetuate true Americanism;*

17 *(3) combat whatever tends to impair the efficiency and permanency*
 18 *of our free institutions;*

19 *(4) uphold the fair name of Jews and fight their battles wherever un-*
 20 *justly assailed;*

21 *(5) encourage the doctrine of universal liberty, equal rights, and full*
 22 *justice to all men;*

23 *(6) combat the powers of bigotry and darkness wherever originating*
 24 *and whatever the target;*

25 *(7) preserve the spirit of comradeship by mutual helpfulness to com-*
 26 *rades and their families;*

27 *(8) cooperate with and support existing educational institutions and*
 28 *establish educational institutions;*

29 *(9) foster the education of ex-servicemen and ex-servicewomen and*
 30 *members of the corporation in the ideals and principles of Americanism;*

31 *(10) instill love of country and flag;*

1 (11) promote sound minds and bodies in members of the corporation
2 and their youth;

3 (12) preserve the memories and records of patriotic service performed
4 by the men and women of the Jewish faith and honor their memory; and

5 (13) shield from neglect the graves of our heroic dead.

6 **§ 110104. Membership**

7 *Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the cor-*
8 *poration and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the con-*
9 *stitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

10 **§ 110105. Governing body**

11 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
12 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

13 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
14 *the articles of incorporation.*

15 **§ 110106. Powers**

16 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
17 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

18 **§ 110107. Restrictions**

19 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
20 *clare or pay a dividend.*

21 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
22 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
23 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
24 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
25 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
26 *the board of directors.*

27 (c) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
28 *or employee.*

29 (d) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—*The corpora-*
30 *tion may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
31 *States Government for any of its activities.*

32 **§ 110108. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

33 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as a*
34 *corporation incorporated under the laws of New York.*

35 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as*
36 *an organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of*
37 *1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

38 **§ 110109. Records and inspection**

39 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

40 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

1 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
2 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

3 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
4 members entitled to vote.

5 (b) *INSPECTION*.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
6 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
7 at any reasonable time.

8 **§ 110110. Service of process**

9 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
10 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
11 ties.

12 **§ 110111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

13 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
14 the scope of their authority.

15 **§ 110112. Annual report**

16 The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities
17 of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted
18 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
19 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

20 **CHAPTER 1103—JEWISH WAR VETERANS, U.S.A.,**
21 **NATIONAL MEMORIAL, INCORPORATED**

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110309. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*

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22 **§ 110301. Organization**

23 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER*.—Jewish War Veterans, U.S.A., National Memo-
24 rial, Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”), is a federally chartered
25 corporation.

26 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE*.—The corporation is de-
27 clared to be a nonprofit corporation incorporated and domiciled in the Dis-
28 trict of Columbia.

29 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE*.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-
30 tion has perpetual existence.

31 **§ 110302. Purposes**

32 The purposes of the corporation are—

1 (1) to maintain and conduct a national memorial and museum dedi-
2 cated to and commemorating the service and sacrifice by Americans of
3 the Jewish faith in the armed forces of the United States during the pe-
4 riod of war;

5 (2) to gather, collate, edit, publish, and exhibit memorabilia, informa-
6 tion, records, military awards, decorations, citations, and similar items,
7 to preserve the memories and records of patriotic service performed by
8 men and women of the Jewish faith while in the armed forces of the
9 United States in time of war; and

10 (3) to stimulate patriotism in the minds of all Americans by encour-
11 aging the study of the military and naval history of the United States.

12 **§ 110303. Governing body**

13 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) The board of directors is the governing
14 body of the corporation. Between meetings of the corporation, the board is re-
15 sponsible for the general policies and program of the corporation. The board
16 is responsible for the control of all funds of the corporation.

17 (2) The number of directors, their manner of selection (including the filling
18 of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the constitution and
19 bylaws of the corporation. However, the board shall have at least 36 directors.

20 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) The officers of the corporation are a president, one or
21 more vice presidents as provided in the constitution and bylaws, a secretary,
22 and a treasurer.

23 (2) The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as
24 provided in the constitution and bylaws.

25 **§ 110304. Powers**

26 The corporation may—

27 (1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management
28 of its property and the regulation of its affairs;

29 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

30 (3) make contracts;

31 (4) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
32 or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

33 (5) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
34 ligations by granting security interests in its property; and

35 (6) sue and be sued.

36 **§ 110305. Restrictions**

37 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
38 clare or pay a dividend.

39 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
40 such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate
41 for public office.

1 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
 2 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director
 3 or officer. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensation to
 4 an officer or employee in an amount approved by the executive committee of
 5 the corporation.

6 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
 7 or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,
 8 officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are
 9 jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until
 10 it is repaid.

11 **§ 110306. Principal office**

12 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.*
 13 *However, the activities of the corporation are not confined to the District of*
 14 *Columbia but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and posses-*
 15 *sions of the United States.*

16 **§ 110307. Records and inspection**

17 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

18 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

19 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 20 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

21 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 22 *members entitled to vote.*

23 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
 24 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
 25 at any reasonable time.

26 **§ 110308. Service of process**

27 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in its headquarters in the*
 28 *District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice*
 29 *to or service on the agent, or mailed to the headquarters of the corporation*
 30 *in the District of Columbia, is notice to or service on the corporation.*

31 **§ 110309. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

32 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 33 *the scope of their authority.*

34 **§ 110310. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 35 **uidation**

36 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 37 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 38 *board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the*
 39 *corporation. This section does not allow assets to be distributed to an officer*
 40 *or employee or to inure to the benefit of a private person.*

1 **CHAPTER 1201—[RESERVED]**
 2 **CHAPTER 1301—LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE**
 3 **REPUBLIC**

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4 **§ 130101. Organization**

5 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic (in*
 6 *this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

7 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is de-*
 8 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

9 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 10 *tion has perpetual existence.*

11 **§ 130102. Purposes**

12 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

13 (1) *to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and*
 14 *of the men who saved the Union in 1861 to 1865;*

15 (2) *to assist in every practicable way in preserving, and making*
 16 *available for research, documents and records pertaining to the Grand*
 17 *Army of the Republic and its members;*

18 (3) *to cooperate in doing honor to all those who have served our coun-*
 19 *try patriotically in any way;*

20 (4) *to teach patriotism, the duties of citizenship, the true history of*
 21 *our country, and the love and honor of our flag;*

22 (5) *to oppose every tendency or movement that would weaken loyalty*
 23 *to, destroy, or impair our constitutional Union; and*

24 (6) *to inculcate and broadly sustain the American principles of rep-*
 25 *resentative government, equal rights, and impartial justice for all.*

26 **§ 130103. Membership**

27 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.—(1) Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for*
 28 *membership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of*
 29 *classes of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the cor-*
 30 *poration.*

1 (2) *Eligibility for membership is limited to female blood relatives of an in-*
 2 *dividual who—*

3 (A) *served at any time during the period April 12, 1861, through*
 4 *April 9, 1865, as a soldier or sailor in—*

5 (i) *the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue-*
 6 *Cutter Service; or*

7 (ii) *a State regiment that was called into active service and was*
 8 *subject to orders of United States general officers during that period;*
 9 *and*

10 (B) *was honorably discharged from, or died in, that service.*

11 (b) *VOTING.—Each member has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote*
 12 *at a meeting of the members.*

13 **§ 130104. Governing body**

14 (a) *NATIONAL CONVENTION.—(1) The national convention is the supreme*
 15 *governing authority of the corporation.*

16 (2) *The national convention is composed of officers and elected representa-*
 17 *tives from the States and other local subdivisions of the corporation as pro-*
 18 *vided in the constitution and bylaws. However, the form of government of the*
 19 *corporation must be representative of the membership at large and may not*
 20 *permit concentration of control in a limited number of members or in a self-*
 21 *perpetuating group not representative of the membership at large.*

22 (3) *The meetings of the national convention may be held in the District*
 23 *of Columbia or in any State, territory, or possession of the United States.*

24 (b) *OFFICERS.—The titles, manner of selection, term of office, and duties*
 25 *of the officers are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corpora-*
 26 *tion.*

27 **§ 130105. Powers**

28 *The corporation may—*

29 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 30 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

31 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

32 (3) *choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities*
 33 *of the corporation require;*

34 (4) *make contracts;*

35 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 36 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

37 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 38 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

39 (7) *sue and be sued; and*

40 (8) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 41 *of the corporation.*

1 **§ 130106. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 2 **badges**

3 *The corporation and its subordinate divisions have the exclusive right to*
 4 *use the name “Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic”. The corporation*
 5 *has the exclusive right to use and to allow others to use seals, emblems, and*
 6 *badges the corporation adopts.*

7 **§ 130107. Restrictions**

8 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 9 *clare or pay a dividend.*

10 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or an officer or agent as such*
 11 *may not contribute to a political party or candidate for public office.*

12 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 13 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, an officer*
 14 *or member during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or final*
 15 *liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensation to*
 16 *an officer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts ap-*
 17 *proved by the council of administration of the corporation.*

18 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to an officer*
 19 *or employee. Members of the council of administration who vote for or assent*
 20 *to making a loan or advance to an officer or employee, and officers who par-*
 21 *ticipate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to*
 22 *the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

23 **§ 130108. Principal office**

24 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia*
 25 *or another place decided by the corporation. However, the activities of the cor-*
 26 *poration are not confined to the place where the principal office is located*
 27 *but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions of the*
 28 *United States.*

29 **§ 130109. Records and inspection**

30 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

31 (1) *correct and complete records of account; and*

32 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its national conventions and council*
 33 *of administration.*

34 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may*
 35 *inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-*
 36 *able time.*

37 **§ 130110. Service of process**

38 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 39 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 40 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 41 *on the corporation.*

1 **§ 130111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

2 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
3 *the scope of their authority.*

4 **§ 130112. Annual report**

5 *Not later than March 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a report*
6 *to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior fiscal year.*
7 *The report may consist of a report on the proceedings of the national conven-*
8 *tion. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

9 **§ 130113. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
10 **uidation**

11 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
12 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
13 *council of administration, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws*
14 *of the corporation.*

15 **CHAPTER 1303—LEGION OF VALOR OF THE UNITED**
16 **STATES OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED**

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17 **§ 130301. Organization**

18 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Legion of Valor of the United States of America,*
19 *Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”), is a federally chartered cor-*
20 *poration.*

21 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.*—*The corporation is de-*
22 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

23 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
24 *tion has perpetual existence.*

25 (d) *REFERENCES TO ARMY AND NAVY LEGION OF VALOR OF THE UNITED*
26 *STATES OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED.*—*Any reference to the Army and Navy*
27 *Legion of Valor of the United States of America, Incorporated, is deemed to*
28 *refer to the Legion of Valor of the United States of America, Incorporated.*

29 **§ 130302. Principles and purposes**

30 (a) *PRINCIPLES.*—*The principles underlying the corporation are patriotic*
31 *allegiance to the United States of America, fidelity to the constitution and*
32 *law of the United States, the security of civil liberty, and the permanence of*
33 *free institutions.*

1 (b) *PURPOSES.*—*The purposes of the corporation are—*

2 (1) *to cherish the memories of the valiant deeds in arms for which the*
3 *Congressional Medal of Honor, the Distinguished Service Cross, the Navy*
4 *Cross, and the Air Force Cross are the insignia;*

5 (2) *to promote true fellowship among its members;*

6 (3) *to advance the best interests of members of the armed forces of the*
7 *United States of America;*

8 (4) *to extend all possible relief to needy members of the corporation*
9 *and their widows and children; and*

10 (5) *to stimulate patriotism in the minds of our youth by encouraging*
11 *the study of the patriotic, military, and naval history of our nation.*

12 **§ 130303. Membership**

13 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*An individual is eligible for active membership in the*
14 *corporation if the individual—*

15 (1) *is of good moral character; and*

16 (2) *has received a Congressional Medal of Honor, a Distinguished*
17 *Service Cross, a Navy Cross, or an Air Force Cross awarded for acts of*
18 *extraordinary heroism in connection with military or naval operations*
19 *against an armed enemy, or for heroism of a specially distinguished*
20 *character, as a member of the armed forces of the United States or any*
21 *foreign country.*

22 (b) *EXTENSION OF ELIGIBILITY TO PARENTS AND DESCENDANTS.*—*The*
23 *corporation may extend eligibility for membership, either active or associate,*
24 *to parents and lineal descendants of an individual described in subsection (a)*
25 *of this section on terms provided in its constitution and bylaws.*

26 (c) *VOTING.*—*Each member (except an associate member) has one vote on*
27 *each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members.*

28 **§ 130304. Governing body**

29 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) *The board of directors is the governing*
30 *body of the corporation. Between meetings of the corporation, the board is re-*
31 *sponsible for the general policies and program of the corporation. The board*
32 *is responsible for all funds of the corporation.*

33 (2) *The number of directors, their manner of selection (including the filling*
34 *of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the constitution and*
35 *bylaws of the corporation. However, the board shall have at least 10 directors.*

36 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a commander, a sen-*
37 *ior vice commander, a junior vice commander, a chaplain, an adjutant and*
38 *quartermaster, a judge advocate, an inspector, a surgeon, a historian, and*
39 *any aides-de-camp provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

40 (2) *The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as*
41 *provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

1 **§ 130305. Powers**

2 *The corporation may—*

3 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
4 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

5 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

6 (3) *make contracts;*

7 (4) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
8 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

9 (5) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
10 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

11 (6) *charge and collect membership dues; and*

12 (7) *sue and be sued.*

13 **§ 130306. Restrictions**

14 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
15 *clare or pay a dividend.*

16 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
17 *such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate*
18 *for public office.*

19 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
20 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
21 *officer, or member except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corpora-*
22 *tion. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensation to an offi-*
23 *cer in an amount approved by the executive committee of the corporation.*

24 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
25 *or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,*
26 *officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are*
27 *jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until*
28 *it is repaid.*

29 **§ 130307. Principal office**

30 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in a place decided by the*
31 *board of directors. However, the activities of the corporation are not confined*
32 *to the place where the principal office is located but may be conducted*
33 *throughout the States, territories, and possessions of the United States.*

34 **§ 130308. Records and inspection**

35 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

36 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

37 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
38 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

39 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
40 *members entitled to vote.*

1 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
2 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
3 at any reasonable time.

4 **§ 130309. Service of process**

5 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
6 to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the
7 agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service
8 on the corporation.

9 **§ 130310. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

10 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
11 the scope of their authority.

12 **§ 130311. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-
13 uidation**

14 On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining
15 after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the
16 board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the
17 corporation.

18 **CHAPTER 1305—LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL,
19 INCORPORATED**

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20 **§ 130501. Organization**

21 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—Little League Baseball, Incorporated (in this
22 chapter, the “corporation”), is a federally chartered corporation.

23 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-
24 tion has perpetual existence.

25 **§ 130502. Purposes**

26 The purposes of the corporation are—

27 (1) to promote, develop, supervise, and voluntarily assist in all lawful
28 ways the interest of young people who participate in Little League base-
29 ball;

30 (2) to help and voluntarily assist young people in developing qualities
31 of citizenship and sportsmanship; and

1 (3) *using the disciplines of the native American game of baseball, to*
 2 *teach spirit and competitive will to win, physical fitness through indi-*
 3 *vidual sacrifice, the values of team play, and wholesome well being*
 4 *through healthy social association with other youngsters under proper*
 5 *leadership.*

6 **§ 130503. Membership**

7 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
 8 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
 9 *provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

10 (b) *VOTING.—Each member (except an honorary or associate member) has*
 11 *one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members.*

12 **§ 130504. Governing body**

13 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—(1) The board of directors is the governing*
 14 *body of the corporation. Between meetings of the corporation, the board is re-*
 15 *sponsible for the general policies and program of the corporation. The board*
 16 *is responsible for the control of all funds of the corporation.*

17 (2) *The number of directors, their manner of selection (including the filling*
 18 *of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the constitution and*
 19 *bylaws of the corporation. However, the board shall have at least 13 directors.*

20 (b) *OFFICERS.—(1) The officers of the corporation are a chairman of the*
 21 *board of directors, a president, a vice president, and a secretary-treasurer.*
 22 *Their duties are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corpora-*
 23 *tion.*

24 (2) *The officers shall be elected annually at the annual meeting of the cor-*
 25 *poration.*

26 **§ 130505. Powers**

27 *The corporation may—*

28 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 29 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

30 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

31 (3) *adopt, alter, and display seals, emblems, and badges;*

32 (4) *choose directors, officers, trustees, managers, employees, and agents*
 33 *as the activities of the corporation require;*

34 (5) *make contracts;*

35 (6) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 36 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

37 (7) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 38 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

39 (8) *charge and collect membership dues and subscription fees;*

40 (9) *sue and be sued; and*

1 (10) do any other act necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes
2 of the corporation.

3 **§ 130506. Exclusive right to name and emblems**

4 The corporation has the exclusive right to use and to allow others to use
5 the names “Little League” and “Little Leaguer” and the official Little League
6 emblem or any colorable simulation of that emblem. This section does not af-
7 fect any vested rights.

8 **§ 130507. Restrictions**

9 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
10 clare or pay a dividend.

11 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director, officer, or agent
12 as such may not contribute to, support, or assist any political party or can-
13 didate for office.

14 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income and assets of the
15 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
16 officer, or member during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or
17 final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable
18 compensation to an officer in an amount approved by the board of directors.

19 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
20 or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,
21 officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are
22 jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until
23 it is repaid.

24 **§ 130508. Principal office**

25 The principal office of the corporation shall be in Williamsport, Pennsylv-
26 ania, or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities
27 of the corporation may be conducted throughout the world.

28 **§ 130509. Records and inspection**

29 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

- 30 (1) correct and complete records of account;
31 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
32 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and
33 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
34 members entitled to vote.

35 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
36 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
37 at any reasonable time.

38 **§ 130510. Statement required in audit report**

39 The corporation shall include in the audit report statement required under
40 section 10101(b)(1)(B) of this title a schedule of all contracts requiring pay-

1 *ments greater than \$10,000 and all payments of compensation or fees at a*
 2 *rate greater than \$10,000 a year.*

3 **§ 130511. Service of process**

4 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 5 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 6 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 7 *on the corporation.*

8 **§ 130512. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

9 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 10 *the scope of their authority.*

11 **§ 130513. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 12 **uidation**

13 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 14 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 15 *board of directors, but consistent with the purposes of the corporation and in*
 16 *compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

17 **CHAPTER 1401—MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**

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18 **§ 140101. Organization**

19 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Marine Corps League (in this chapter, the “cor-*
 20 *poration”)* is a federally chartered corporation.

21 *(b) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 22 *tion has perpetual existence.*

23 **§ 140102. Purposes**

24 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

25 *(1) to preserve the traditions and to promote the interests of the Unit-*
 26 *ed States Marine Corps;*

27 *(2) to band those who, on August 4, 1937, were serving in the United*
 28 *States Marine Corps and those who have been honorably discharged from*
 29 *that service together in fellowship that they may effectively promote the*
 30 *ideals of American freedom and democracy;*

31 *(3) to fit its members for the duties of citizenship and to encourage*
 32 *them to serve as ably as citizens as they have served the Nation under*
 33 *arms;*

34 *(4) to hold sacred the history and memory of the men who have given*
 35 *their lives to the Nation;*

36 *(5) to foster love for the principles which they have supported by blood*
 37 *and valor since the founding of the Republic;*

1 (6) to maintain true allegiance to American institutions;

2 (7) to create a bond of comradeship between those in service and those
3 who have returned to civil life;

4 (8) to aid voluntarily and to render assistance to all marines and
5 former marines as well as to their widows and orphans; and

6 (9) to perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and
7 by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of pecu-
8 liar interest to marines.

9 **§140103. Powers**

10 *The corporation may—*

11 (1) adopt and amend bylaws;

12 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

13 (3) appoint or elect officers and agents;

14 (4) choose a board of trustees, consisting of at least 5 but not more
15 than 15 individuals, to conduct the business and exercise the powers of
16 the corporation;

17 (5) establish and maintain offices to conduct its activities;

18 (6) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
19 or appropriate to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

20 (7) charge and collect membership dues and receive contributions of
21 money or property to be devoted to carrying out the purposes of the cor-
22 poration;

23 (8) sue and be sued; and

24 (9) do any other act necessary or appropriate to carry out the pur-
25 poses of the corporation.

26 **§140104. Annual report**

27 *Not later than December 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a re-*
28 *port to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior calendar*
29 *year. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

30 **CHAPTER 1403—THE MILITARY CHAPLAINS**

31 **ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

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32 **§140301. Organization**

33 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—The Military Chaplains Association of the Unit-*
34 *ed States of America (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally char-*
35 *tered corporation.*

1 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
2 *tion has perpetual existence.*

3 **§ 140302. Purposes**

4 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

5 (1) *to safeguard and strengthen the forces of faith and morality of our*
6 *Nation;*

7 (2) *to perpetuate and deepen the bonds of understanding and friend-*
8 *ship of our military service;*

9 (3) *to preserve our spiritual influence and interest in all members and*
10 *veterans of the armed forces;*

11 (4) *to uphold the Constitution of the United States; and*

12 (5) *to promote justice, peace, and good will.*

13 **§ 140303. Powers**

14 *The corporation may—*

15 (1) *make its own organization, including its constitution, bylaws, and*
16 *regulations;*

17 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

18 (3) *establish and maintain offices to conduct its activities;*

19 (4) *appoint or elect officers and agents;*

20 (5) *authorize the executive committee to conduct the business and exer-*
21 *cise the powers of the corporation;*

22 (6) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
23 *or appropriate to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

24 (7) *publish a magazine and other publications;*

25 (8) *charge and collect membership dues and subscription fees;*

26 (9) *sue and be sued; and*

27 (10) *do any other act necessary or appropriate to carry out the pur-*
28 *poses of the corporation.*

29 **§ 140304. Exclusive right to name**

30 *The corporation and its area, State, and local chapters have the exclusive*
31 *right to use the name “The Military Chaplains Association of the United*
32 *States of America”.*

33 **§ 140305. Annual report**

34 *Not later than September 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a*
35 *report to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior cal-*
36 *endar year. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

37 **CHAPTER 1405—MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE**
38 **HEART OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INCOR-**
39 **PORATED**

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1 **§ 140501. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Military Order of the Purple Heart of the United*
 3 *States of America, Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”), is a fed-*
 4 *erally chartered corporation.*

5 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.*—*The corporation is de-*
 6 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

7 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 8 *tion has perpetual existence.*

9 **§ 140502. Principles and purposes**

10 (a) *PRINCIPLES.*—*The principles underlying the corporation are patriotic*
 11 *allegiance to the United States, fidelity to the Constitution and laws of the*
 12 *United States, the security of civil liberty, and the permanence of free institu-*
 13 *tions.*

14 (b) *PURPOSES.*—*The purposes of the corporation are educational, fraternal,*
 15 *historical, and patriotic, perpetuating the principles of liberty and justice*
 16 *which have created the United States, by—*

17 (1) *commemorating all national patriotic holidays;*

18 (2) *maintaining true allegiance to the Government of the United*
 19 *States and fidelity to its Constitution and laws;*

20 (3) *preserving and strengthening comradeship and patriotism among*
 21 *its members;*

22 (4) *assisting, comforting, and aiding all needy and distressed members*
 23 *and their dependents;*

24 (5) *giving needed hospital and service work through its Department*
 25 *of Veterans Affairs certified service officers;*

26 (6) *cooperating with other civic and patriotic organizations having*
 27 *worthy objectives;*

28 (7) *keeping alive the achievements and memory of our country’s found-*
 29 *ers;*

30 (8) *ever cherishing the memory of General George Washington, who*
 31 *founded the Purple Heart at his headquarters at Newburgh-on-the-Hud-*
 32 *son on August 7, 1782;*

1 (9) *influencing and teaching our citizenry, in a loyal appreciation of*
 2 *the heritages of American citizenship, with its responsibilities and privi-*
 3 *leges; and*

4 (10) *preserving and defending the United States from all enemies.*

5 **§ 140503. Membership**

6 (a) *ACTIVE MEMBERS.—An individual is eligible for active membership in*
 7 *the corporation if the individual—*

8 (1) *is of good moral character; and*

9 (2) *has received the Purple Heart for wounds received as a member,*
 10 *of any rank, of the armed forces of the United States or any foreign*
 11 *country during military or naval combat against an armed enemy of the*
 12 *United States.*

13 (b) *ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.—The corporation may extend eligibility for*
 14 *membership as associate members to parents and lineal descendants of an in-*
 15 *dividual described in subsection (a) of this section on terms provided in its*
 16 *constitution and bylaws.*

17 (c) *VOTING.—Each member described in subsection (a) of this section has*
 18 *one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members.*

19 **§ 140504. Governing body**

20 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—(1) The board of directors is the governing*
 21 *body of the corporation. Between meetings of the corporation, the board is re-*
 22 *sponsible for the general policies and program of the corporation. The board*
 23 *is responsible for all funds of the corporation.*

24 (2) *The number of directors, their manner of selection (including the filling*
 25 *of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the constitution and*
 26 *bylaws of the corporation. However, the board shall have at least 18 directors.*

27 (b) *OFFICERS.—(1) The officers of the corporation are a commander, a sen-*
 28 *ior vice commander, a chaplain, an adjutant, a finance officer, a judge advo-*
 29 *cate, an inspector, a surgeon, a historian, and other elected officers as pro-*
 30 *vided in the constitution and bylaws.*

31 (2) *The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as*
 32 *provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

33 **§ 140505. Powers**

34 *The corporation may—*

35 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 36 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

37 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

38 (3) *make contracts;*

39 (4) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 40 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

1 (5) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
2 ligations by granting security interests in its property;

3 (6) charge and collect membership dues; and

4 (7) sue and be sued.

5 **§ 140506. Restrictions**

6 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
7 clare or pay a dividend.

8 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
9 such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate
10 for public office.

11 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
12 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
13 officer, or member except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corpora-
14 tion. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensation to an offi-
15 cer in an amount approved by the executive committee of the corporation.

16 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
17 or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,
18 officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are
19 jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until
20 it is repaid.

21 **§ 140507. Principal office**

22 The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia
23 or another place decided by the national executive board. However, the activi-
24 ties of the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office
25 is located but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and posses-
26 sions of the United States.

27 **§ 140508. Records and inspection**

28 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

29 (1) correct and complete records of account;

30 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
31 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

32 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
33 members entitled to vote.

34 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
35 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
36 at any reasonable time.

37 **§ 140509. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

38 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
39 the scope of their authority.

1 **§ 140510. Service of process**

2 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 3 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 4 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 5 *on the corporation.*

6 **§ 140511. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 7 **uidation**

8 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 9 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 10 *board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the*
 11 *corporation.*

12 **CHAPTER 1407—MILITARY ORDER OF THE WORLD WARS**

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140701. *Definition.*

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140712. *Annual report.*

13 **§ 140701. Definition**

14 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 15 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

16 **§ 140702. Organization**

17 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Military Order of the World Wars (in this chap-*
 18 *ter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in the District*
 19 *of Columbia, is a federally chartered corporation.*

20 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—The charter granted by this chapter expires*
 21 *if the corporation fails to comply with any provision of—*

22 *(1) its bylaws or articles of incorporation;*

23 *(2) this chapter; or*

24 *(3) the laws of the District of Columbia that apply to corporations*
 25 *such as the corporation recognized under this chapter.*

26 **§ 140703. Purposes**

27 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
 28 *ration and bylaws and include—*

29 *(1) promoting military service associations;*

30 *(2) promoting patriotic education and military, naval, and air*
 31 *science;*

1 (3) *defending the honor and integrity of the United States Government*
2 *and the Constitution;*

3 (4) *fostering fraternal relations among all branches of the armed*
4 *forces;*

5 (5) *encouraging the adoption of a suitable policy of national security;*
6 *and*

7 (6) *encouraging the commemoration of military service and the estab-*
8 *lishment of war memorials.*

9 **§ 140704. Membership**

10 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
11 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
12 *provided in the articles of incorporation and bylaws.*

13 (b) *NONDISCRIMINATION.—The terms of membership may not discriminate*
14 *on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, age, or national origin.*

15 **§ 140705. Governing body**

16 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
17 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

18 (b) *OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
19 *the articles of incorporation.*

20 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.—The requirements for serving as a director or of-*
21 *ficer may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability,*
22 *age, or national origin.*

23 **§ 140706. Powers**

24 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
25 *of incorporation filed in the State in which it is incorporated.*

26 **§ 140707. Restrictions**

27 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
28 *clare or pay a dividend.*

29 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
30 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
31 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
32 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
33 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
34 *the board of directors.*

35 (c) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
36 *or employee.*

37 (d) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.—The cor-*
38 *poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
39 *States Government for any of its activities.*

1 **§ 140708. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

2 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 3 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

4 **§ 140709. Records and inspection**

5 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

6 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

7 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 8 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

9 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 10 *members entitled to vote.*

11 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 12 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 13 *at any reasonable time.*

14 **§ 140710. Service of process**

15 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 16 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 17 *ties.*

18 **§ 140711. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

19 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 20 *the scope of their authority.*

21 **§ 140712. Annual report**

22 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 23 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 24 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 25 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

26 **CHAPTER 1501—NATIONAL ACADEMY OF PUBLIC**
 27 **ADMINISTRATION**

Sec.

150101. *Definition.*

150102. *Organization.*

150103. *Purposes.*

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150105. *Membership.*

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150109. *Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status.*

150110. *Records and inspection.*

150111. *Service of process.*

150112. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*

150113. *Annual report.*

28 **§ 150101. Definition**

29 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 30 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

1 **§ 150102. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Academy of Public Administration (in*
3 *this chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in the District of Columbia, is*
4 *a federally chartered corporation.*

5 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—*If the corporation does not comply with*
6 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

7 **§ 150103. Purposes**

8 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
9 *ration and include—*

10 (1) *evaluating the structure, administration, operation, and program*
11 *performance of Federal and other governments and government agencies,*
12 *anticipating, identifying, and analyzing significant problems, and sug-*
13 *gesting timely corrective action;*

14 (2) *foreseeing and examining critical emerging issues in governance,*
15 *and formulating practical approaches to their resolution;*

16 (3) *assessing the effectiveness, structure, administration, and implica-*
17 *tions for governance of present or proposed public programs, policies,*
18 *and processes, and recommending specific changes;*

19 (4) *advising on the relationship of Federal, State, regional, and local*
20 *governments, and increasing public officials’, citizens’, and scholars’ un-*
21 *derstanding of requirements and opportunities for sound governance and*
22 *how these can be effectively met; and*

23 (5) *demonstrating by the conduct of its affairs a commitment to the*
24 *highest professional standards of ethics and scholarship.*

25 **§ 150104. Services to United States Government**

26 *On request of the United States Government, the corporation shall inves-*
27 *tigate, examine, experiment, and report on any subject of government. The ac-*
28 *tual expense of the investigation, examination, experimentation, and report*
29 *shall be paid by the Government from appropriations available for that pur-*
30 *pose.*

31 **§ 150105. Membership**

32 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges*
33 *of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

34 **§ 150106. Governing body**

35 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
36 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

37 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
38 *the articles of incorporation.*

39 **§ 150107. Powers**

40 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
41 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

1 **§ 150108. Restrictions**

2 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
3 *clare or pay a dividend.*

4 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director or officer as*
5 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
6 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

7 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
8 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
9 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
10 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
11 *ficer or member in an amount approved by the board of directors.*

12 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
13 *or employee.*

14 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.*—*Except by*
15 *agreement, the corporation may not claim congressional approval or the au-*
16 *thority of the United States Government for any of its activities.*

17 **§ 150109. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

18 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as a*
19 *corporation incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia.*

20 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as an*
21 *organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986*
22 *(26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

23 **§ 150110. Records and inspection**

24 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

25 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

26 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
27 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

28 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
29 *members entitled to vote.*

30 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
31 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
32 *at any reasonable time.*

33 **§ 150111. Service of process**

34 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
35 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
36 *ties.*

37 **§ 150112. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

38 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
39 *the scope of their authority.*

1 **§ 150113. Annual report**

2 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 3 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 4 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 5 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

6 **CHAPTER 1503—NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**

Sec.

150301. Federal charter.

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7 **§ 150301. Federal charter**

8 *National Academy of Sciences (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a fed-*
 9 *erally chartered corporation.*

10 **§ 150302. Powers**

11 (a) *GENERAL.—The corporation may—*

12 (1) *make its own organization, including adopting a constitution, by-*
 13 *laws, and regulations;*

14 (2) *provide for the election of domestic and foreign members, their di-*
 15 *vision into classes, and other matters needful or usual in such an institu-*
 16 *tion;*

17 (3) *fill vacancies; and*

18 (4) *report its actions under this subsection to Congress.*

19 (b) *PROPERTY.—(1) The corporation may—*

20 (A) *receive property by devise, bequest, donation, or otherwise;*

21 (B) *hold the property absolutely or in trust;*

22 (C) *manage and invest the property as provided in the constitution*
 23 *of the corporation; and*

24 (D) *use the property and income from the property to carry out the*
 25 *purposes of the corporation, subject to instructions of donors.*

26 (2) *Congress at any time may limit the amount of real estate the corpora-*
 27 *tion may acquire and the amount of time it may be held.*

28 **§ 150303. Services to United States Government**

29 *On request of the United States Government, the corporation shall inves-*
 30 *tigate, examine, experiment, and report on any subject of science or art. The*
 31 *corporation may not receive compensation for services to the Government, but*
 32 *the actual expense of the investigation, examination, experimentation, and re-*
 33 *port shall be paid by the Government from an appropriation for that purpose.*

34 **§ 150304. Annual meeting**

35 *The corporation shall hold an annual meeting at a place designated by the*
 36 *corporation.*

1 **CHAPTER 1505—NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE**
 2 **SOCIETIES, WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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150508. *Restrictions.*

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150510. *Records and inspection.*

150511. *Service of process.*

150512. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*

150513. *Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation.*

3 **§ 150501. Definition**

4 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia.*

5 **§ 150502. Organization**

6 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—National Conference of State Societies, Washing-*
 7 *ton, District of Columbia (in this chapter, the “corporation”), is a federally*
 8 *chartered corporation.*

9 *(b) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 10 *tion has perpetual existence.*

11 **§ 150503. Purposes**

12 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

13 *(1) to promote friendly and cooperative relations between the State*
 14 *and territorial societies in the District of Columbia;*

15 *(2) to foster, participate in, and encourage educational, cultural, char-*
 16 *itable, civic, and patriotic programs and activities in the District of Co-*
 17 *lumbia and surrounding communities; and*

18 *(3) to act as contact agent with States for carrying out State and na-*
 19 *tional programs.*

20 **§ 150504. Membership**

21 *The membership of the corporation consists of the members of the State and*
 22 *territorial societies in the District of Columbia. Except as provided in this*
 23 *chapter, eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and*
 24 *privileges of members are as provided in the bylaws and regulations of the*
 25 *corporation.*

26 **§ 150505. Governing body**

27 *(a) BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES.—(1) The board of representatives is the*
 28 *governing body of the corporation. The board shall exercise the powers granted*
 29 *to the corporation.*

1 (2) *The board consists of one representative from each State society and*
 2 *territorial society in the District of Columbia. Each member of the board has*
 3 *one vote.*

4 (b) *OFFICERS.—(1) The officers of the corporation are a president, a first*
 5 *vice president, a second vice president, a secretary, an assistant secretary, a*
 6 *treasurer, an assistant treasurer, a historian, and other officers designated by*
 7 *the board.*

8 (2) *The officers shall be elected by the board at an annual meeting and*
 9 *serve for a term of one year.*

10 **§ 150506. Powers**

11 *The corporation has the powers provided in its bylaws and articles of in-*
 12 *corporation filed in the State in which it is incorporated, including the power*
 13 *to—*

14 (1) *adopt bylaws and regulations for the management of its property*
 15 *and the regulation of its affairs;*

16 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

17 (3) *adopt emblems and badges;*

18 (4) *choose officers, managers, and agents as the activities of the cor-*
 19 *poration require;*

20 (5) *make contracts;*

21 (6) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 22 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

23 (7) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 24 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

25 (8) *publish a magazine, newspaper, and other publications consistent*
 26 *with the purposes of the corporation;*

27 (9) *sue and be sued; and*

28 (10) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 29 *of the corporation.*

30 **§ 150507. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 31 **badges**

32 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “National Con-*
 33 *ference of State Societies, Washington, District of Columbia” and seals, em-*
 34 *blems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

35 **§ 150508. Restrictions**

36 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 37 *clare or pay a dividend.*

38 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or an officer or member as*
 39 *such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate*
 40 *for elective public office. The corporation may not carry on propaganda.*

1 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
2 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, an officer
3 or member except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation.

4 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to an officer
5 or member of the board of representatives. Officers and members of the board
6 who vote for or assent to making a loan or advance to an officer or member
7 of the board, and officers or members of the board who participate in making
8 the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation for
9 the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.

10 **§ 150509. Headquarters and principal office**

11 The headquarters and principal office of the corporation shall be in the
12 District of Columbia. However, the activities of the corporation are not con-
13 fined to the District of Columbia but may be conducted throughout the States,
14 territories, and possessions of the United States.

15 **§ 150510. Records and inspection**

16 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

17 (1) correct and complete records of account;

18 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of representatives,
19 and committees having any of the authority of its board of representa-
20 tives; and

21 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
22 members entitled to vote.

23 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
24 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
25 at any reasonable time.

26 **§ 150511. Service of process**

27 (a) *DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.*—The corporation shall have a designated
28 agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corpora-
29 tion. Designation of the agent shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the
30 United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Notice to or service
31 on the agent, or mailed to the address of the agent, is notice to or service
32 on the corporation.

33 (b) *STATES.*—As a condition to the exercise in any State of any power or
34 privilege granted by this chapter, the corporation shall file, with secretary of
35 state or other designated official of that State, the name and address of an
36 agent in that State on whom legal process or demands against the corporation
37 may be served.

38 **§ 150512. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

39 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
40 the scope of their authority.

1 **§150513. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 2 **uidation**

3 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 4 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be divided equally among the State*
 5 *and territorial societies in the District of Columbia.*

6 **CHAPTER 1507—NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON**
 7 **CITIZENSHIP**

Sec.

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150705. *Board of directors.*

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150708. *Restrictions.*

150709. *Headquarters and principal office.*

150710. *Records and inspection.*

150711. *Service of process.*

150712. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*

150713. *Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation.*

8 **§150701. Organization**

9 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—National Conference on Citizenship (in this*
 10 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

11 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 12 *tion has perpetual existence.*

13 **§150702. Purposes**

14 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

15 (1) *to hold an annual national conference on citizenship on or about*
 16 *“Citizenship Day”, September 17;*

17 (2) *to assist in the development of more dynamic procedures for mak-*
 18 *ing citizenship more effective, including the promotion and encourage-*
 19 *ment of local, State, and regional citizenship conferences; and*

20 (3) *to indicate the ways and means by which various organizations*
 21 *may contribute concretely to the development of a more active, alert, en-*
 22 *lightened, conscientious, and progressive citizenry in our country.*

23 **§150703. Membership**

24 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.—Membership in the corporation is confined to agencies*
 25 *and organizations. Except as provided in this chapter, the rights and privi-*
 26 *leges of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

27 (b) *VOTING.—Each agency or organization sending delegates to, and partic-*
 28 *ipating in, the annual national conference on citizenship has one vote in*
 29 *the conduct of the business of the conference.*

1 **§ 150704. National officers**

2 (a) *NATIONAL OFFICERS.*—The national officers of the corporation are a
3 president, a first vice president, a second vice president, a third vice presi-
4 dent, a secretary, and a treasurer. The president is chairman of the board
5 of directors and of the executive committee described in section 150705(d) of
6 this title.

7 (b) *ELECTION.*—The national officers are elected biennially from among the
8 officers and members of the member agencies and organizations participating
9 in the annual national conference on citizenship, by a majority vote of the
10 agencies and organizations sending delegates to, and participating in, the
11 conference.

12 **§ 150705. Board of directors**

13 (a) *GENERAL.*—The board of directors is the governing body of the corpora-
14 tion. The board shall exercise the powers granted to the corporation.

15 (b) *NUMBER AND ELECTION.*—The number of directors and their term of
16 office are as provided in the bylaws, except that the board shall have at least
17 10 members (including *ex officio* members). The directors are elected from
18 among the officers and members of the member agencies and organizations
19 participating in the annual national conference on citizenship, by a majority
20 vote of the agencies and organizations sending delegates to, and participating
21 in, the conference.

22 (c) *MEETINGS.*—The board shall hold an annual meeting at a time and
23 place as may be provided in the bylaws. The annual report of the board shall
24 be presented at the annual meeting. Special meetings of the board may be
25 called as provided in the bylaws.

26 (d) *EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.*—The board shall designate 3 of its own mem-
27 bers, who together with the president and the 3 vice presidents constitute the
28 executive committee. When the board is not in session, the executive committee
29 has the powers of the board subject to the board's direction and may authorize
30 the seal of the corporation to be affixed to all papers that require it.

31 (e) *EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF.*—The executive com-
32 mittee shall select an executive director for the corporation, who shall have
33 the qualifications and terms of employment decided by the committee. The ex-
34 ecutive director shall nominate other professional staff members, who must be
35 approved by the executive committee.

36 **§ 150706. Powers**

37 The corporation may—

38 (1) adopt and amend bylaws and regulations for the management of
39 its property and the regulation of its affairs, including the establishment
40 and maintenance of local and State conferences on citizenship;

41 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

1 (3) adopt emblems and badges;

2 (4) choose officers, managers, employees, and agents as the activities
3 of the corporation require;

4 (5) make contracts;

5 (6) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
6 to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

7 (7) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
8 ligations by granting security interests in its property;

9 (8) use corporate funds to give prizes or awards to citizens for out-
10 standing contributions toward the achievement of the purposes of the cor-
11 poration;

12 (9) publish a magazine and other publications consistent with the pur-
13 poses of the corporation;

14 (10) sue and be sued; and

15 (11) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes
16 of the corporation.

17 **§150707. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
18 **badges**

19 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “National Con-*
20 *ference on Citizenship” and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation*
21 *adopts.*

22 **§150708. Restrictions**

23 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
24 *clare or pay a dividend.*

25 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director, officer, or mem-*
26 *ber as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or can-*
27 *didate for elective public office, or advocate, sponsor, or promote legislation*
28 *in the Congress of the United States or in the legislature of a State.*

29 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
30 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
31 *officer, or member except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corpora-*
32 *tion. This subsection does not prevent the executive committee from adopting*
33 *terms of employment of the executive director as provided in section 150705(e)*
34 *of this title.*

35 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
36 *or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,*
37 *officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are*
38 *jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until*
39 *it is repaid.*

1 **§ 150709. Headquarters and principal office**

2 *The headquarters and principal office of the corporation shall be in the*
 3 *District of Columbia, Maryland, or Virginia. However, the activities of the*
 4 *corporation are not confined to the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Vir-*
 5 *ginia but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions*
 6 *of the United States.*

7 **§ 150710. Records and inspection**

8 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

9 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

10 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its annual national conference, board*
 11 *of directors, and committees having any of the authority of its board of*
 12 *directors; and*

13 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 14 *members entitled to vote.*

15 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 16 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 17 *at any reasonable time.*

18 **§ 150711. Service of process**

19 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 20 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Designation of the agent shall*
 21 *be filed in the office of the clerk of the United States District Court for the*
 22 *District of Columbia. Notice to or service on the agent, or mailed to the busi-*
 23 *ness address of the agent, is notice to or service on the corporation.*

24 **§ 150712. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

25 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 26 *the scope of their authority.*

27 **§ 150713. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 28 **uidation**

29 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 30 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be transferred by the board of direc-*
 31 *tors to a recognized agency or agencies engaged in the furtherance and ad-*
 32 *vancement of citizenship.*

33 **CHAPTER 1509—NATIONAL COUNCIL ON RADIATION**
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1 **§ 150901. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Council on Radiation Protection and*
3 *Measurements (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered cor-*
4 *poration.*

5 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
6 *tion has perpetual existence.*

7 **§ 150902. Purposes**

8 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

9 (1) *to collect, analyze, develop, and disseminate in the public interest*
10 *information and recommendations about—*

11 (A) *protection against radiation; and*

12 (B) *radiation measurements, quantities, and units, particularly*
13 *those concerned with protection against radiation;*

14 (2) *to provide a means by which organizations concerned with the sci-*
15 *entific and related aspects of protection against radiation and of radi-*
16 *ation quantities, units, and measurements may cooperate for effective use*
17 *of their combined resources, and to stimulate the work of those organiza-*
18 *tions;*

19 (3) *to develop basic concepts about—*

20 (A) *radiation quantities, units, and measurements;*

21 (B) *the application of those concepts; and*

22 (C) *protection against radiation; and*

23 (4) *to cooperate with the International Commission on Radiological*
24 *Protection, the Federal Radiation Council, the International Commission*
25 *on Radiological Units and Measurements, and other national and inter-*
26 *national organizations, governmental and private, concerned with radi-*
27 *ation quantities, units, and measurements and with protection against*
28 *radiation.*

29 **§ 150903. Membership**

30 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
31 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
32 *provided in the bylaws.*

33 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member (except an honorary or associate member) has*
34 *one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members.*

35 **§ 150904. Governing body**

36 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) *The board of directors is the governing*
37 *body of the corporation. Between meetings of the corporation, the board is re-*

1 *ponsible for the general policies and program of the corporation. The board*
 2 *is responsible for the control of all funds of the corporation.*

3 (2) *The selection of directors and their term of office are as provided in*
 4 *the bylaws.*

5 (b) *OFFICERS.—(1) The officers of the corporation are a president, one or*
 6 *more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and other officers as provided*
 7 *in the bylaws. Their duties are as provided in the bylaws.*

8 (2) *The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the corporation.*

9 **§ 150905. Powers**

10 *The corporation may—*

11 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws for the management of its property and*
 12 *the regulation of its affairs;*

13 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

14 (3) *choose directors, officers, trustees, managers, employees, and agents*
 15 *as the activities of the corporation require;*

16 (4) *make contracts;*

17 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 18 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

19 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 20 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

21 (7) *sue and be sued; and*

22 (8) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 23 *of the corporation.*

24 **§ 150906. Restrictions**

25 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 26 *clare or pay a dividend.*

27 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director, officer, or agent*
 28 *as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or can-*
 29 *didate for office.*

30 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 31 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 32 *officer, or member during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or*
 33 *final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable*
 34 *compensation to an officer in an amount approved by the board of directors.*

35 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 36 *or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,*
 37 *officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are*
 38 *jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until*
 39 *it is repaid.*

1 **§ 150907. Principal office**

2 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia*
 3 *or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities of*
 4 *the corporation may be conducted throughout the world.*

5 **§ 150908. Records and inspection**

6 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

7 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

8 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 9 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

10 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 11 *members entitled to vote.*

12 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 13 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 14 *at any reasonable time.*

15 **§ 150909. Statement required in audit report**

16 *The corporation shall include in the audit report statement required under*
 17 *section 10101(b)(1)(B) of this title a schedule of all contracts requiring pay-*
 18 *ments greater than \$10,000 and all payments of compensation or fees at a*
 19 *rate greater than \$10,000 a year.*

20 **§ 150910. Service of process**

21 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 22 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 23 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 24 *on the corporation.*

25 **§ 150911. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

26 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 27 *the scope of their authority.*

28 **§ 150912. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 29 **uidation**

30 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 31 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 32 *board of directors, but consistent with the purposes of the corporation and in*
 33 *compliance with the bylaws.*

34 **CHAPTER 1511—NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**
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1 **§ 151101. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Education Association of the United*
3 *States (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corpora-*
4 *tion.*

5 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION.*—*The corporation is declared to be incor-*
6 *porated in the District of Columbia.*

7 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
8 *tion has perpetual existence.*

9 **§ 151102. Purposes**

10 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

11 (1) *to elevate the character and advance the interests of the profession*
12 *of teaching; and*

13 (2) *to promote the cause of education in the United States.*

14 **§ 151103. Membership**

15 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights, obligations,*
16 *and designation of classes of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

17 **§ 151104. Governing body**

18 (a) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers of the corporation are a president, one or more*
19 *vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and the members of a board of direc-*
20 *tors, an executive committee, and any other boards, councils, and committees,*
21 *and other officers, as provided in the bylaws.*

22 (b) *ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, the*
23 *manner of selection, term of office, powers, and duties of the officers, boards,*
24 *councils, and committees are as provided in the bylaws. The bylaws may pro-*
25 *vide other and different provisions as to the names and numbers of the offi-*
26 *cers, boards, councils, and committees.*

27 **§ 151105. Powers**

28 *The corporation may—*

29 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws;*

30 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

31 (3) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property to carry out*
32 *the purposes of the corporation;*

33 (4) *accept and administer a trust for educational purposes;*

34 (5) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
35 *ligations by granting security interests in its property; and*

36 (6) *sue and be sued in any court of the United States, or other court*
37 *of competent jurisdiction.*

38 **§ 151106. Tax exemption**

39 (a) *REAL PROPERTY.*—*Real property of the corporation is exempt from*
40 *taxation if it is—*

41 (1) *located in the District of Columbia;*

- 1 (2) *used for the purposes provided in section 151102 of this title; and*
 2 (3) *not used to produce income.*

3 (b) **PERSONAL PROPERTY.**—*Personal property of the corporation is exempt*
 4 *from taxation if it is used for the purposes provided in section 151102 of this*
 5 *title or to produce income to be used for those purposes.*

6 (c) **ANNUAL REPORT.**—*The corporation shall submit annually to the Sec-*
 7 *retary of Education a written report stating in detail for the prior year—*

- 8 (1) *the real and personal property held by the corporation;*
 9 (2) *the income from the property; and*
 10 (3) *the expenditure or other use or disposition of the property and in-*
 11 *come from the property.*

12 **§ 151107. Principal office**

13 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.*
 14 *However, the activities of the corporation may be conducted, and offices may*
 15 *be maintained, throughout the United States in accordance with the bylaws.*

16 **§ 151108. Nonapplication of audit requirements**

17 *The audit requirements of section 10101 of this title do not apply to the*
 18 *corporation.*

19 **CHAPTER 1513—NATIONAL FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS**
 20 **FOUNDATION**

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21 **§ 151301. Organization**

22 (a) **FEDERAL CHARTER.**—*National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (in this*
 23 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

24 (b) **NATURE OF CORPORATION AND PLACE OF INCORPORATION.**—*The cor-*
 25 *poration is a charitable and nonprofit corporation incorporated under the*
 26 *laws of Maryland and is not an agency or establishment of the United States*
 27 *Government.*

28 (c) **PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.**—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 29 *tion has perpetual existence.*

30 **§ 151302. Purposes**

31 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

1 (1) *primarily to encourage, accept, and administer private gifts of*
2 *property for the benefit of the National Fallen Firefighters' Memorial*
3 *and the annual memorial service associated with it;*

4 (2) *to provide financial assistance to families of fallen firefighters for*
5 *transportation to and lodging at non-Federal facilities during the an-*
6 *annual memorial service;*

7 (3) *to assist State and local efforts to recognize firefighters who die*
8 *in the line of duty; and*

9 (4) *to provide scholarships and other financial assistance for edu-*
10 *cational purposes and job training for the spouses and children of fallen*
11 *firefighters.*

12 **§ 151303. Board of directors**

13 (a) *GENERAL.—The board of directors is the governing body of the corpora-*
14 *tion.*

15 (b) *MEMBERS AND APPOINTMENT.—(1) The Administrator of the United*
16 *States Fire Administration of the Federal Emergency Management Agency is*
17 *an ex officio nonvoting member of the board. The Administrator appoints the*
18 *voting members of the board.*

19 (2) *The board consists of the following 9 voting members:*

20 (A) *one active volunteer firefighter.*

21 (B) *one active career firefighter.*

22 (C) *one United States Government firefighter.*

23 (D) *6 individuals who have a demonstrated interest in the fire service.*

24 (3) *The terms of office of the voting members are 6 years (except for the*
25 *initial members). The terms shall be staggered so that the terms of 3 members*
26 *expire every 2 years.*

27 (4) *A vacancy on the board shall be filled within 60 days in the manner*
28 *in which the original appointment was made.*

29 (c) *CHAIRMAN.—The Chairman shall be elected by the board from its voting*
30 *members for a 2-year term.*

31 (d) *QUORUM.—A majority of the current membership of the board is a*
32 *quorum.*

33 (e) *MEETINGS.—The board shall meet at the call of the chairman at least*
34 *once a year. If a member of the board misses 3 consecutive meetings, that*
35 *member may be removed from the board and that vacancy may be filled as*
36 *provided in subsection (b)(4) of this section.*

37 (f) *STATUS AND COMPENSATION.—Members of the board—*

38 (1) *are not officers or employees of the United States Government; and*

39 (2) *serve without compensation.*

40 (g) *LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS.—Members of the board are not personally*
41 *liable, except for gross negligence.*

1 **§ 151304. Officers and employees**

2 (a) *APPOINTMENT.*—*The board of directors may appoint not more than 2*
 3 *officers or employees, but only after the corporation has sufficient funds to*
 4 *pay for their services.*

5 (b) *STATUS AND COMPENSATION.*—*Officers and employees of the corpora-*
 6 *tion—*

7 (1) *are not employees of the United States Government;*

8 (2) *shall be appointed without regard to the provisions of title 5 gov-*
 9 *erning appointments in the competitive service; and*

10 (3) *may be paid without regard to chapter 51 and subchapter III of*
 11 *chapter 53 of title 5, except that an officer or employee may not be paid*
 12 *more than the annual rate of basic pay for level GS–15 of the General*
 13 *Schedule under section 5107 of title 5.*

14 **§ 151305. Powers**

15 (a) *GENERAL.*—*The corporation may—*

16 (1) *adopt a constitution and bylaws;*

17 (2) *adopt a seal which shall be judicially noticed; and*

18 (3) *do any other act necessary to carry out this chapter.*

19 (b) *POWERS AS TRUSTEE.*—*To carry out its purposes, the corporation has*
 20 *the usual powers of a corporation acting as a trustee in the State of Mary-*
 21 *land, including the power—*

22 (1) *to accept, receive, solicit, hold, administer, and use any gift, de-*
 23 *vice, or bequest, either absolutely or in trust, of property or any income*
 24 *from or other interest in the property;*

25 (2) *unless otherwise required by the instrument of transfer, to sell, do-*
 26 *mate, lease, invest, or otherwise dispose of any property or income from*
 27 *the property;*

28 (3) *to make contracts and other arrangements with public agencies*
 29 *and private organizations and persons and to make payments necessary*
 30 *to carry out its functions;*

31 (4) *to sue and be sued; and*

32 (5) *to do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 33 *of the corporation.*

34 **§ 151306. Principal office**

35 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in Maryland. However, the*
 36 *corporation may conduct business throughout the States, territories, and pos-*
 37 *sessions of the United States.*

38 **§ 151307. Provision and acceptance of support by Adminis-**
 39 **trator**

40 (a) *PROVISION BY ADMINISTRATOR.*—(1) *The Administrator of the United*
 41 *States Fire Administration of the Federal Emergency Management Agency—*

1 (A) may provide personnel, facilities, and other administrative serv-
2 ices to the corporation; and

3 (B) shall require and accept reimbursements for these personnel, facili-
4 ties, and services.

5 (2) Reimbursements under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be depos-
6 ited in the Treasury to the credit of the appropriations then current and
7 chargeable for the cost of providing the services.

8 (3) Notwithstanding any other law, United States Government personnel
9 and stationery may not be used to solicit funding for the corporation.

10 (b) ACCEPTANCE BY ADMINISTRATOR.—The Administrator may accept,
11 without regard to chapters 33 and 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of
12 title 5 and related regulations, the services of the corporation and its direc-
13 tors, officers, and employees as volunteers in performing functions authorized
14 under this chapter, without compensation from the Administration.

15 **§ 151308. Service of process**

16 The corporation shall have a designated agent to receive service of process
17 for the corporation.

18 **§ 151309. Civil action by Attorney General for equitable relief**

19 The Attorney General may bring a civil action in the United States Dis-
20 trict Court for the District of Columbia for appropriate equitable relief if the
21 corporation—

22 (1) engages or threatens to engage in any act, practice, or policy that
23 is inconsistent with the purposes in section 151302 of this title; or

24 (2) refuses, fails, or neglects to carry out its obligations under this
25 chapter or threatens to do so.

26 **§ 151310. Immunity of United States Government**

27 The United States Government is not liable for any debts, defaults, acts,
28 or omissions of the corporation. The full faith and credit of the Government
29 does not extend to any obligation of the corporation.

30 **§ 151311. Annual report**

31 Not later than 4 months after the end of each fiscal year, the corporation
32 shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of Congress on the activi-
33 ties of the corporation during the prior fiscal year, including a complete state-
34 ment of its receipts, expenditures, and investments.

35 **CHAPTER 1515—NATIONAL FEDERATION OF MUSIC**

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1 **§ 151501. Definition**

2 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 3 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

4 **§ 151502. Organization**

5 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—National Federation of Music Clubs (in this*
 6 *chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in Illinois, is a federally chartered*
 7 *corporation.*

8 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 9 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

10 **§ 151503. Purposes**

11 *(a) SPECIFIC PURPOSES.—The purposes of the corporation are as provided*
 12 *in the articles of incorporation and include—*

13 *(1) bringing into working relations with one another, music clubs and*
 14 *other musical organizations and individuals associated with musical ac-*
 15 *tivity for the purpose of developing and maintaining high musical stand-*
 16 *ards;*

17 *(2) aiding and encouraging musical education; and*

18 *(3) promoting American music and American artists throughout the*
 19 *United States and the world.*

20 *(b) PATRIOTIC, CIVIC, AND HISTORICAL ORGANIZATION.—The corporation*
 21 *shall function as a patriotic, civic, and historical organization as authorized*
 22 *by the laws of each State in which it is incorporated.*

23 **§ 151504. Membership**

24 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges*
 25 *of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

26 **§ 151505. Governing body**

27 *(a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 28 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

29 *(b) OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of the officers are as provided*
 30 *in the articles of incorporation.*

31 **§ 151506. Powers**

32 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
 33 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

34 **§ 151507. Restrictions**

35 *(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 36 *clare or pay a dividend.*

1 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director or officer as*
2 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
3 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

4 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
5 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
6 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
7 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
8 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
9 *the board of directors.*

10 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
11 *or employee.*

12 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.*—*The cor-*
13 *poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
14 *States Government for any of its activities.*

15 **§ 151508. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

16 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as a*
17 *corporation incorporated under the laws of Illinois.*

18 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as an*
19 *organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986*
20 *(26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

21 **§ 151509. Records and inspection**

22 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

23 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

24 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
25 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

26 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
27 *members entitled to vote.*

28 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
29 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
30 *at any reasonable time.*

31 **§ 151510. Service of process**

32 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
33 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
34 *ties.*

35 **§ 151511. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

36 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
37 *the scope of their authority.*

38 **§ 151512. Annual report**

39 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
40 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*

1 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 2 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

3 **CHAPTER 1517—NATIONAL FILM PRESERVATION**
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5 **§ 151701. Organization**

6 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Film Preservation Foundation (in this*
 7 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

8 (b) *NATURE OF CORPORATION.*—*The corporation is a charitable and non-*
 9 *profit corporation and is not an agency or establishment of the United States*
 10 *Government.*

11 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 12 *tion has perpetual existence.*

13 **§ 151702. Purposes**

14 *The purposes of the corporation are to—*

15 (1) *encourage, accept, and administer private gifts to promote and en-*
 16 *sure the preservation and public accessibility of the nation’s film heritage*
 17 *held at the Library of Congress and other public and nonprofit archives*
 18 *throughout the United States;*

19 (2) *further the goals of the Library of Congress and the National Film*
 20 *Preservation Board in connection with their activities under the Na-*
 21 *tional Film Preservation Act of 1996 (2 U.S.C. 179l–179w); and*

22 (3) *conduct activities, alone or in cooperation with other film related*
 23 *institutions and organizations, to further the preservation and public ac-*
 24 *cessibility of films made in the United States, particularly films not pro-*
 25 *ected by private interests, for the benefit of present and future genera-*
 26 *tions of Americans.*

27 **§ 151703. Board of directors**

28 (a) *GENERAL.*—*The board of directors is the governing body of the corpora-*
 29 *tion.*

30 (b) *MEMBERS AND APPOINTMENT.*—(1) *The Librarian of Congress is an ex*
 31 *officio nonvoting member of the board. The Librarian appoints the directors*
 32 *to the board.*

1 (2)(A) *The board consists of 9 directors.*

2 (B) *Each director must be a United States citizen.*

3 (C) *At least 6 directors must be knowledgeable or experienced in film pro-*
 4 *duction, distribution, preservation, or restoration, including 2 who are sitting*
 5 *members of the National Film Preservation Board. These 6 directors must,*
 6 *to the extent practicable, represent diverse points of view from the film com-*
 7 *munity, including motion picture producers, creative artists, nonprofit and*
 8 *public archivists, historians, film critics, theater owners, and laboratory and*
 9 *university personnel.*

10 (3) *A director is not an employee of the Library of Congress and appoint-*
 11 *ment to the board does not constitute appointment as an officer or employee*
 12 *of the United States Government for the purpose of any law of the United*
 13 *States.*

14 (4) *The terms of office of the directors are 4 years. An individual may not*
 15 *serve more than 2 consecutive terms.*

16 (5) *A vacancy on the board shall be filled within 60 days in the manner*
 17 *in which the original appointment was made.*

18 (c) *CHAIR.—The Librarian shall appoint one of the directors as the initial*
 19 *chair of the board for a 2-year term. Thereafter, the chair shall be appointed*
 20 *and removed in accordance with the bylaws of the corporation.*

21 (d) *QUORUM.—A majority of the current membership of the board is a*
 22 *quorum.*

23 (e) *MEETINGS.—The board shall meet at the call of the Librarian or the*
 24 *chair at least once each year. If a director misses 3 consecutive regularly*
 25 *scheduled meetings, the director may be removed from the board by the Li-*
 26 *brarian and that vacancy may be filled as provided in subsection (b) of this*
 27 *section.*

28 (f) *COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT.—Directors serve without com-*
 29 *penetration but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and subsist-*
 30 *ence expenses incurred in performing duties for the corporation.*

31 (g) *LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS.—Directors are not personally liable, except*
 32 *for gross negligence.*

33 **§ 151704. Officers and employees**

34 (a) *SECRETARY OF THE BOARD.—(1) The Librarian of Congress shall ap-*
 35 *point a Secretary of the Board to serve as executive director of the corpora-*
 36 *tion. The Librarian may remove the Secretary.*

37 (2) *The Secretary must be knowledgeable and experienced in matters relat-*
 38 *ing to—*

39 (A) *film preservation and restoration activities;*

40 (B) *financial management; and*

41 (C) *fundraising.*

1 (b) *APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.*—*Except as provided in subsection (a) of*
 2 *this section, the board of directors appoints, removes, and replaces officers of*
 3 *the corporation.*

4 (c) *APPOINTMENT OF EMPLOYEES.*—*Except as provided in subsection (a)*
 5 *of this section, the Secretary appoints, removes, and replaces employees of the*
 6 *corporation.*

7 (d) *STATUS AND COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES.*—*Employees of the cor-*
 8 *poration (including the Secretary)—*

9 (1) *are not employees of the Library of Congress;*

10 (2) *shall be appointed and removed without regard to the provisions*
 11 *of title 5 governing appointments in the competitive service; and*

12 (3) *may be paid without regard to chapter 51 and subchapter III of*
 13 *chapter 53 of title 5, except that an employee may not be paid more than*
 14 *the annual rate of basic pay for level GS–15 of the General Schedule*
 15 *under section 5107 of title 5.*

16 **§ 151705. Powers**

17 (a) *GENERAL.*—*The corporation may—*

18 (1) *adopt a constitution and bylaws;*

19 (2) *adopt a seal which shall be judicially noticed; and*

20 (3) *do any other act necessary to carry out this chapter.*

21 (b) *POWERS AS TRUSTEE.*—*To carry out its purposes, the corporation has*
 22 *the usual powers of a corporation acting as a trustee in the District of Colum-*
 23 *bia, including the power—*

24 (1) *to accept, receive, solicit, hold, administer, and use any gift, de-*
 25 *vis, or bequest, either absolutely or in trust, of property or any income*
 26 *from or other interest in property;*

27 (2) *to acquire property or an interest in property by purchase or ex-*
 28 *change;*

29 (3) *unless otherwise required by an instrument of transfer, to sell, do-*
 30 *mate, lease, invest, or otherwise dispose of any property or income from*
 31 *property;*

32 (4) *to borrow money and issue instruments of indebtedness;*

33 (5) *to make contracts and other arrangements with public agencies*
 34 *and private organizations and persons and to make payments necessary*
 35 *to carry out its functions;*

36 (6) *to sue and be sued; and*

37 (7) *to do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 38 *of the corporation.*

39 (c) *ENCUMBERED OR RESTRICTED GIFTS.*—*A gift, devise, or bequest may*
 40 *be accepted by the corporation even though it is encumbered, restricted, or*

1 *subject to beneficial interests of private persons, if any current or future inter-*
 2 *est is for the benefit of the corporation.*

3 **§151706. Principal office**

4 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.*
 5 *However, the corporation may conduct business throughout the States, terri-*
 6 *teries, and possessions of the United States.*

7 **§151707. Provision and acceptance of support by Librarian**
 8 **of Congress**

9 (a) *PROVISION BY LIBRARIAN.—(1) The Librarian of Congress may provide*
 10 *personnel, facilities, and other administrative services to the corporation. Ad-*
 11 *ministrative services may include reimbursement of expenses under section*
 12 *151703(f) of this title, at rates not exceeding the applicable per diem rates*
 13 *for the United States Government.*

14 (2) *The corporation shall reimburse the Librarian for support provided*
 15 *under paragraph (1) of this subsection. Amounts reimbursed shall be depos-*
 16 *ited in the Treasury to the credit of the appropriations then current and*
 17 *chargeable for the cost of providing the support.*

18 (b) *ACCEPTANCE BY LIBRARIAN.—The Librarian may accept, without re-*
 19 *gard to chapters 33 and 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5 and*
 20 *related regulations, the services of the corporation and its directors, officers,*
 21 *and employees as volunteers in performing functions authorized under this*
 22 *chapter, without compensation from the Library of Congress.*

23 **§151708. Service of process**

24 *The corporation shall have a designated agent to receive service of process*
 25 *for the corporation. Notice to or service on the agent, or mailed to the business*
 26 *address of the agent, is notice to or service on the corporation.*

27 **§151709. Civil action by Attorney General for equitable relief**

28 *The Attorney General may bring a civil action in the United States Dis-*
 29 *trict Court for the District of Columbia for appropriate equitable relief if the*
 30 *corporation—*

31 (1) *engages or threatens to engage in any act, practice, or policy that*
 32 *is inconsistent with the purposes in section 151702 of this title; or*

33 (2) *refuses, fails, or neglects to carry out its obligations under this*
 34 *chapter or threatens to do so.*

35 **§151710. Immunity of United States Government**

36 *The United States Government is not liable for any debts, defaults, acts,*
 37 *or omissions of the corporation. The full faith and credit of the Government*
 38 *does not extend to any obligation of the corporation.*

39 **§151711. Authorization of appropriations**

40 (a) *AUTHORIZATION.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Li-*
 41 *brary of Congress amounts necessary to carry out this chapter, not to exceed*

1 \$250,000 for each of the fiscal years ending September 30, 2000–2003. These
 2 amounts are to be made available to the corporation to match private con-
 3 tributions (whether in currency, services, or property) made to the corpora-
 4 tion by private persons and State and local governments.

5 (b) *LIMITATION RELATED TO ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.*—Amounts au-
 6 thorized under this section may not be used by the corporation for adminis-
 7 trative expenses of the corporation, including salaries, travel, transportation,
 8 and overhead expenses.

9 **§ 151712. Annual report**

10 As soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year, the corporation
 11 shall submit a report to Congress on the activities of the corporation during
 12 the prior fiscal year, including a complete statement of its receipts, expendi-
 13 tures, and investments.

14 **CHAPTER 1519—NATIONAL FUND FOR MEDICAL**
 15 **EDUCATION**

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16 **§ 151901. Organization**

17 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—National Fund for Medical Education (in this
 18 chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.

19 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.*—The corporation is de-
 20 clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.

21 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-
 22 tion has perpetual existence.

23 **§ 151902. Purposes**

24 The purposes of the corporation are to raise from private sources, admin-
 25 ister, and disperse funds for medical education, and in carrying out those
 26 purposes, to take other appropriate action to promote—

27 (1) the interpretation of the needs of medical education to the Amer-
 28 ican public;

29 (2) the encouragement of the growth, development, and advancement
 30 of constantly improving standards and methods in the education and
 31 training of all medical personnel in the United States; and

32 (3) the preservation of academic freedom in the institutions of medical
 33 education.

1 **§ 151903. Membership**

2 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
3 *bership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of class-*
4 *es of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corpora-*
5 *tion.*

6 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member (except an honorary, sustaining, or associate*
7 *member) has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the*
8 *members.*

9 **§ 151904. Governing body**

10 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) *The board of directors is the governing*
11 *body of the corporation. Between meetings of the members of the corporation,*
12 *the board is responsible for the general policies and program of the corpora-*
13 *tion and for the control of all funds of the corporation.*

14 (2) *The number of directors, their manner of selection (including the filling*
15 *of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the constitution and*
16 *bylaws of the corporation. However—*

17 (A) *the corporation shall have at least 15 but not more than 25 direc-*
18 *tors; and*

19 (B) *at least 4 of the directors shall be members of the medical profes-*
20 *sion.*

21 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a chairman of the*
22 *board of directors, a president, one of more vice presidents as provided in the*
23 *constitution and bylaws, a secretary, a treasurer, and one or more assistant*
24 *secretaries and assistant treasurers as provided in the constitution and by-*
25 *laws.*

26 (2) *The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as*
27 *provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

28 **§ 151905. Powers**

29 *The corporation may—*

30 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
31 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

32 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

33 (3) *choose officers, managers, employees, and agents as the activities*
34 *of the corporation require;*

35 (4) *make contracts;*

36 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
37 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

38 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
39 *ligations by granting security interests in its property; and*

40 (7) *sue and be sued.*

1 **§ 151906. Restrictions**

2 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
3 *clare or pay a dividend.*

4 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director or officer as*
5 *such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate*
6 *for public office.*

7 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
8 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
9 *officer, or member during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or*
10 *final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensa-*
11 *tion to an officer in an amount approved by the board of directors.*

12 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a direc-*
13 *tor, officer, or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan*
14 *or advance to a director, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in*
15 *making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation*
16 *for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

17 **§ 151907. Principal office**

18 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in New York, New York,*
19 *or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities of*
20 *the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is lo-*
21 *cated but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions*
22 *of the United States.*

23 **§ 151908. Records and inspection**

24 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

25 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

26 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
27 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

28 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
29 *members entitled to vote.*

30 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
31 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
32 *at any reasonable time.*

33 **§ 151909. Service of process**

34 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
35 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
36 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
37 *on the corporation.*

38 **§ 151910. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

39 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
40 *the scope of their authority.*

1 **§151911. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 2 **uidation**

3 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 4 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 5 *board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the*
 6 *corporation.*

7 **CHAPTER 1521—NATIONAL MINING HALL OF FAME AND**
 8 **MUSEUM**

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9 **§152101. Definition**

10 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 11 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

12 **§152102. Organization**

13 (i) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum (in*
 14 *this chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in Colorado, is a federally char-*
 15 *tered corporation.*

16 (ii) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 17 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

18 **§152103. Purposes**

19 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-*
 20 *tion and include—*

21 (1) *honoring citizens, mining leaders, miners, prospectors, teachers,*
 22 *scientists, engineers, inventors, governmental leaders, and other individ-*
 23 *uals, who have helped to make this country great by their outstanding*
 24 *contributions to the establishment, development, advancement, or im-*
 25 *provement of mining in the United States;*

26 (2) *perpetuating the memory of those individuals and recording their*
 27 *contributions and achievements by the erection and maintenance of*
 28 *buildings, monuments, and edifices considered appropriate as a lasting*
 29 *memorial;*

30 (3) *fostering, promoting, and encouraging a better understanding of*
 31 *the origins and growth of mining, especially in the United States, and*

1 the part mining has played in changing the economic, social, and sci-
2 entific aspects of our country;

3 (4) establishing and maintaining a library and museum for collecting
4 and preserving for posterity, the history of those honored by the corpora-
5 tion, together with a documentation of their accomplishments and con-
6 tributions to mining, including such items as mining pictures, paint-
7 ings, books, papers, documents, scientific data, relics, mementos, arti-
8 facts, and things relating to those items;

9 (5) cooperating with other mining organizations that are actively en-
10 gaged and interested in similar projects; and

11 (6) engaging in any other activity necessary or proper to accomplish
12 any of the purposes in this section.

13 **§ 152104. Membership**

14 Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges
15 of members are as provided in the bylaws.

16 **§ 152105. Governing body**

17 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—The board of directors and the responsibilities
18 of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

19 (b) *OFFICERS.*—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in
20 the articles of incorporation.

21 **§ 152106. Powers**

22 The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles
23 of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.

24 **§ 152107. Restrictions**

25 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
26 clare or pay a dividend.

27 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
28 such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity
29 or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.

30 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
31 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
32 officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This
33 subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-
34 ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by
35 the board of directors.

36 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
37 or employee.

38 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.*—The cor-
39 poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United
40 States Government for any of its activities.

1 **§ 152108. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

2 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as a*
3 *corporation incorporated under the laws of Colorado.*

4 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as an*
5 *organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986*
6 *(26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

7 **§ 152109. Records and inspection**

8 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

9 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

10 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
11 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

12 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
13 *members entitled to vote.*

14 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
15 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
16 *at any reasonable time.*

17 **§ 152110. Service of process**

18 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
19 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
20 *ties.*

21 **§ 152111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

22 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
23 *the scope of their authority.*

24 **§ 152112. Annual report**

25 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
26 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
27 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
28 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

29 **CHAPTER 1523—NATIONAL MUSIC COUNCIL**

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30 **§ 152301. Organization**

31 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Music Council (in this chapter, the*
32 *“corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

1 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
2 *tion has perpetual existence.*

3 **§ 152302. Purposes**

4 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

5 (1) *to provide the member organizations with a forum for the free dis-*
6 *ussion of problems affecting national musical life in this country;*

7 (2) *to speak with one voice for music whenever an authoritative ex-*
8 *pression of opinion is desirable;*

9 (3) *to provide for the interchange of information between the various*
10 *member organizations;*

11 (4) *to encourage the coordination of efforts of the member organiza-*
12 *tions, thereby avoiding duplication or conflict;*

13 (5) *to organize exploratory surveys or fact-finding commissions when-*
14 *ever the corporation considers them necessary for the solution of impor-*
15 *tant problems; and*

16 (6) *to encourage the development and appreciation of the art of music*
17 *and to foster the highest ethical standards in the musical professions and*
18 *industries.*

19 **§ 152303. Membership**

20 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
21 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
22 *provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

23 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member has one vote in the conduct of official business*
24 *of the corporation.*

25 **§ 152304. Governing body**

26 (a) *GENERAL.*—(1) *The board of directors is the governing body of the cor-*
27 *poration. The board may be known as an Executive Committee.*

28 (2) *The board shall consist of at least 10 individuals who shall be represent-*
29 *ative of members of the corporation or other individuals selected by the mem-*
30 *bers of the corporation. The directors shall be elected by the members of the*
31 *corporation annually or at another regular interval as provided in the bylaws*
32 *of the corporation.*

33 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers of the corporation are a chairman of the board,*
34 *a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and assist-*
35 *ant officers the board designates. The officers shall perform the duties and*
36 *have the powers provided in the bylaws and by the board.*

37 **§ 152305. Powers**

38 *The corporation may—*

39 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
40 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

41 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

1 (3) choose officers, managers, employees, and agents as the activities
2 of the corporation require;

3 (4) make contracts;

4 (5) publish a bulletin, magazine, and other publications;

5 (6) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
6 to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

7 (7) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
8 ligations by granting security interests in its property;

9 (8) use corporate funds to give prizes, awards, loans, scholarships, and
10 grants to deserving composers, conductors, and others for the purposes
11 stated in section 152302 of this title and for other purposes the board
12 of directors considers proper;

13 (9) sue and be sued; and

14 (10) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes
15 of the corporation.

16 **§152306. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
17 **badges**

18 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “National Music*
19 *Council” and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

20 **§152307. Restrictions**

21 (a) *PROFIT.*—*The corporation may not engage in business for profit.*

22 (b) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
23 *clare or pay a dividend.*

24 (c) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director, officer, or mem-*
25 *ber as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or can-*
26 *didate for elective public office.*

27 (d) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
28 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
29 *officer, or member except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corpora-*
30 *tion.*

31 (e) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
32 *or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,*
33 *officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are*
34 *jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until*
35 *it is repaid.*

36 **§152308. Principal office**

37 *The principal office of the corporation shall be at the place the board of*
38 *directors decides. However, the activities of the corporation may be conducted*
39 *throughout the States, territories, and possessions of the United States.*

40 **§152309. Records and inspection**

41 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

1 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

2 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
3 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

4 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
5 *members entitled to vote.*

6 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
7 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
8 *at any reasonable time.*

9 **§ 152310. Service of process**

10 (a) *DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—The corporation shall have a designated*
11 *agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corpora-*
12 *tion. Designation of the agent shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the*
13 *United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Notice to or service*
14 *on the agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or*
15 *service on the corporation.*

16 (b) *STATES, TERRITORIES, AND POSSESSIONS.—As a condition to the exer-*
17 *cise of any power or privilege granted by this chapter, the corporation shall*
18 *file, with the secretary of state or other designated official of each State, terri-*
19 *tory, or possession of the United States in which the corporation does busi-*
20 *ness, the name and address of an agent in that State, territory, or possession*
21 *on whom legal process or demands against the corporation may be served.*

22 **§ 152311. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

23 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
24 *the scope of their authority.*

25 **§ 152312. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
26 **uidation**

27 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
28 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be used by the board of directors for*
29 *the purposes stated in section 152302 of this title or be transferred to a recog-*
30 *nized educational foundation.*

31 **CHAPTER 1525—NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL**

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1 **§ 152501. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Safety Council (in this chapter, the*
3 *“corporation”)* is a federally chartered corporation.

4 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
5 *tion has perpetual existence.*

6 **§ 152502. Purposes**

7 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

8 (1) *to further, encourage, and promote methods and procedures leading*
9 *to increased safety, protection, and health among employees, employers,*
10 *and children in industries, on farms, in schools and colleges, in homes,*
11 *on streets and highways, in recreation, and in other public and private*
12 *places;*

13 (2) *to collect, correlate, publish, and disseminate educational and in-*
14 *formative reports and all other data related to safety methods and proce-*
15 *dures;*

16 (3) *to arouse and maintain the interest of the people of the United*
17 *States and its territories and possessions in safety and accident preven-*
18 *tion, and to encourage the adoption and institution of safety methods by*
19 *all individuals, corporations, and other organizations;*

20 (4) *to organize, establish, and conduct programs, lectures, conferences,*
21 *and other activities for the education of all individuals, corporations,*
22 *and other organizations in safety methods and procedures;*

23 (5) *to organize and aid in organizing local safety chapters throughout*
24 *the United States and its territories and possessions, and to provide or-*
25 *ganizational guidance and materials to promote the national safety;*

26 (6) *to cooperate with, enlist, and develop the cooperation of and among*
27 *all individuals, corporations, and other organizations and agencies, pub-*
28 *lic and private, engaged in, interested in, or in any manner connected*
29 *with, any of these purposes; and*

30 (7) *to do any lawful acts necessary, useful, suitable, desirable, and*
31 *proper for the furtherance and accomplishment of any of these purposes.*

32 **§ 152503. Membership**

33 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
34 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
35 *provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

36 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member (except an honorary or sustaining member) has*
37 *one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members.*
38 *The corporation may provide in its constitution and bylaws for additional*
39 *voting rights based on dues paid.*

1 **§ 152504. Governing body**

2 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) *The board of directors is the governing*
 3 *body of the corporation. Between meetings of the corporation, the board is re-*
 4 *sponsible for the general policies and program of the corporation. Except as*
 5 *provided in subsection (c) of this section, the board is responsible for all funds*
 6 *of the corporation.*

7 (2) *The board shall consist of at least 15 directors. Their manner of selec-*
 8 *tion (including the filling of vacancies) and term of office are as provided*
 9 *in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

10 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a chairman of the*
 11 *board of directors, a president, 3 or more vice presidents as provided in the*
 12 *constitution and bylaws, a secretary, a treasurer, and an executive vice presi-*
 13 *dent. Their duties are as provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

14 (2) *Except for the executive vice president, the officers shall be elected at*
 15 *the annual meeting of the corporation. The executive vice president shall be*
 16 *elected by the board of directors in the manner provided in the constitution*
 17 *and bylaws.*

18 (c) *TRUSTEES.*—*The corporation shall have at least 15 trustees. Their man-*
 19 *ner of selection and term of office are as provided in the constitution and*
 20 *bylaws. The trustees have full power and control over contributed funds that*
 21 *they raise.*

22 **§ 152505. Powers**

23 *The corporation may—*

24 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 25 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

26 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

27 (3) *adopt and alter seals, emblems, and badges;*

28 (4) *choose directors, officers, trustees, managers, employees, and agents*
 29 *as the activities of the corporation require;*

30 (5) *make contracts;*

31 (6) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 32 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

33 (7) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 34 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

35 (8) *publish a magazine and other publications consistent with the pur-*
 36 *poses of the corporation;*

37 (9) *charge and collect membership dues and subscription fees;*

38 (10) *receive contributions or grants of money or property to be devoted*
 39 *to carrying out the purposes of the corporation;*

40 (11) *use corporate funds to give prizes, awards, or other evidences of*
 41 *merit or recognition to individuals, corporations, and other organiza-*

1 *tions, public or private, for outstanding contributions toward the*
 2 *achievement of the purposes of the corporation;*

3 *(12) organize, establish, and conduct conferences on safety and acci-*
 4 *dent prevention;*

5 *(13) establish and maintain offices to conduct its activities, charter*
 6 *local, State, and regional safety organizations, and establish, regulate,*
 7 *and discontinue departmental subdivisions and local, State, and regional*
 8 *chapters in appropriate places throughout the United States and its ter-*
 9 *ritories and possessions;*

10 *(14) sue and be sued; and*

11 *(15) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 12 *of the corporation.*

13 **§152506. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 14 **badges**

15 *The corporation and its subordinate divisions and regional, State, and*
 16 *local chapters have the exclusive right to use the name “National Safety*
 17 *Council”. The corporation has the exclusive right to use and to allow others*
 18 *to use seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts. This section does*
 19 *not affect any vested rights.*

20 **§152507. Restrictions**

21 *(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 22 *clare or pay a dividend.*

23 *(b) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director, officer, or agent*
 24 *as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or can-*
 25 *didate for public office.*

26 *(c) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 27 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 28 *officer, or member except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corpora-*
 29 *tion. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensation to an offi-*
 30 *cer in an amount approved by the board of directors.*

31 *(d) LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 32 *or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan to a director,*
 33 *officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are*
 34 *jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until*
 35 *it is repaid.*

36 **§152508. Principal office**

37 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in Chicago, Illinois, or an-*
 38 *other place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities of the*
 39 *corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is located*
 40 *but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions of the*
 41 *United States.*

1 **§ 152509. Records and inspection**

2 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

3 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

4 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 5 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

6 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 7 *members entitled to vote.*

8 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 9 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 10 *at any reasonable time.*

11 **§ 152510. Service of process**

12 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 13 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 14 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 15 *on the corporation.*

16 **§ 152511. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

17 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 18 *the scope of their authority.*

19 **§ 152512. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 20 **uidation**

21 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 22 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 23 *board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the*
 24 *corporation.*

25 **CHAPTER 1527—NATIONAL SKI PATROL SYSTEM,**
 26 **INCORPORATED**

Sec.

152701. *Definition.*

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152710. *Service of process.*

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152712. *Annual report.*

27 **§ 152701. Definition**

28 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 29 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

1 **§ 152702. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Ski Patrol System, Incorporated (in*
3 *this chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in New York and Colorado, is*
4 *a federally chartered corporation.*

5 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—*If the corporation does not comply with*
6 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

7 **§ 152703. Purposes**

8 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

9 (1) *to promote, in every way, patriotic, scientific, educational, and*
10 *civic improvement activities and public safety in skiing, by such means*
11 *as the dissemination of information and the formation of volunteer local*
12 *patrols consisting of competent skiers trained in first aid for the purpose*
13 *of preventing accidents and rendering speedy assistance to individuals*
14 *sustaining accidents; and*

15 (2) *to solicit contributions of money, services, and other property for,*
16 *and generally to encourage and assist in carrying out, these purposes in*
17 *every way.*

18 **§ 152704. Membership**

19 *Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the cor-*
20 *poration and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the by-*
21 *laws.*

22 **§ 152705. Governing body**

23 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
24 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

25 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
26 *the articles of incorporation.*

27 **§ 152706. Powers**

28 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
29 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

30 **§ 152707. Restrictions**

31 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
32 *clare or pay a dividend.*

33 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director or officer as*
34 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
35 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

36 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
37 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
38 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
39 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
40 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
41 *the board of directors.*

1 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 2 *or employee.*

3 **§ 152708. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

4 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 5 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

6 **§ 152709. Records and inspection**

7 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

8 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

9 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 10 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

11 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 12 *members entitled to vote.*

13 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 14 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 15 *at any reasonable time.*

16 **§ 152710. Service of process**

17 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 18 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 19 *ties.*

20 **§ 152711. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

21 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 22 *the scope of their authority.*

23 **§ 152712. Annual report**

24 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 25 *of the corporation during the prior calendar year. The report may not be*
 26 *printed as a public document.*

27 **CHAPTER 1529—NATIONAL SOCIETY, DAUGHTERS OF**
 28 **THE AMERICAN COLONISTS**

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152909. *Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status.*

152910. *Records and inspection.*

152911. *Service of process.*

152912. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*

152913. *Annual report.*

29 **§ 152901. Definition**

30 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 31 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

1 **§ 152902. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Society, Daughters of the American*
3 *Colonists (in this chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in the District of*
4 *Columbia, is a federally chartered corporation.*

5 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—*If the corporation does not comply with*
6 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

7 **§ 152903. Purposes**

8 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
9 *ration and include a continuing commitment, on a national basis—*

10 (1) *to conduct, record, and publish the results of research on the his-*
11 *tory and deeds of the American colonists;*

12 (2) *to publish the memoirs of American colonists;*

13 (3) *to erect memorials to commemorate the history and deeds of the*
14 *American colonists;*

15 (4) *to promote respect and admiration for the institutions, laws, and*
16 *flag of the United States;*

17 (5) *to engage in mutual improvement and educational activities;*

18 (6) *to establish scholarships to assist needy and deserving students and*
19 *to promote the improvement of educational institutions;*

20 (7) *to engage in volunteer service and make contributions to veterans*
21 *hospitals; and*

22 (8) *to perform other charitable activities, including the national presi-*
23 *dents’ projects, as may be provided in the articles of incorporation or*
24 *bylaws of corporation.*

25 **§ 152904. Membership**

26 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
27 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
28 *provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

29 (b) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—*The terms of membership may not discriminate*
30 *on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin.*

31 **§ 152905. Governing body**

32 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
33 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation or bylaws.*

34 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
35 *the articles of incorporation or bylaws.*

36 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—*The requirements for holding office in the cor-*
37 *poration may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, or na-*
38 *tional origin.*

39 **§ 152906. Powers**

40 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
41 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

1 **§152907. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 2 **badges**

3 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “National Society,*
 4 *Daughters of the American Colonists” and seals, emblems, and badges the cor-*
 5 *poration adopts. This section does not affect any vested rights.*

6 **§152908. Restrictions**

7 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 8 *clare or pay a dividend.*

9 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
 10 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
 11 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

12 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 13 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 14 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
 15 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
 16 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
 17 *the board of directors.*

18 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 19 *or employee.*

20 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.—The cor-*
 21 *poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
 22 *States Government for any of its activities.*

23 **§152909. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

24 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.—The corporation shall maintain its status as a*
 25 *corporation incorporated under the laws of each State in which it is incor-*
 26 *porated.*

27 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.—The corporation shall maintain its status as an*
 28 *organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986*
 29 *(26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

30 **§152910. Records and inspection**

31 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

32 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

33 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 34 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

35 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 36 *members entitled to vote.*

37 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 38 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 39 *at any reasonable time.*

1 **§ 152911. Service of process**

2 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 3 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 4 *ties.*

5 **§ 152912. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

6 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 7 *the scope of their authority.*

8 **§ 152913. Annual report**

9 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 10 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 11 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 12 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

13 **CHAPTER 1531—THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE**
 14 **DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

Sec.

153101. *Organization.*

153102. *Purposes.*

153103. *Powers.*

153104. *Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges.*

153105. *Principal office.*

153106. *Deposit of historical material in Smithsonian Institution.*

153107. *Annual report.*

15 **§ 153101. Organization**

16 *The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (in this*
 17 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic in the District of*
 18 *Columbia.*

19 **§ 153102. Purposes**

20 *The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, historical, and educational,*
 21 *and include—*

22 *(1) perpetuating the memory and spirit of the men and women who*
 23 *achieved American independence by—*

24 *(A) acquiring and protecting historical spots and erecting monu-*
 25 *ments;*

26 *(B) encouraging historical research in relation to the Revolution*
 27 *and publishing its results;*

28 *(C) preserving documents and relics and the records of the indi-*
 29 *vidual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots; and*

30 *(D) promoting celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries;*

31 *(2) carrying out the injunction of Washington, in his farewell address*
 32 *to the American people, “to promote, as an object of primary impor-*
 33 *tance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge,” thus develop-*
 34 *ing an enlightened public opinion and affording to young and old such*

1 *advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing*
 2 *the duties of American citizens;*

3 (3) *cherishing, maintaining, and extending the institutions of Amer-*
 4 *ican freedom;*

5 (4) *fostering true patriotism and love of country; and*

6 (5) *aiding in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.*

7 **§ 153103. Powers**

8 *The corporation may—*

9 (1) *adopt a constitution and bylaws;*

10 (2) *adopt a seal; and*

11 (3) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 12 *or convenient to carry out its purposes.*

13 **§ 153104. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 14 **badges**

15 *The corporation and its subordinate divisions have the exclusive right to*
 16 *use the name “National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution”.*
 17 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use and to allow others to*
 18 *use seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

19 **§ 153105. Principal office**

20 *The corporation shall have its headquarters or principal office in the Dis-*
 21 *trict of Columbia.*

22 **§ 153106. Deposit of historical material in Smithsonian Insti-**
 23 **tution**

24 *The Regents of the Smithsonian Institution may permit the corporation to*
 25 *deposit its collections, manuscripts, books, pamphlets, and other material for*
 26 *history in the Smithsonian Institution or in the National Museum, on condi-*
 27 *tions and under rules they prescribe.*

28 **§ 153107. Annual report**

29 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to the Secretary of the*
 30 *Smithsonian Institution on the activities of the corporation. The Secretary*
 31 *shall communicate to Congress any part of the report that the Secretary con-*
 32 *siders of national interest and importance.*

33 **CHAPTER 1533—NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF**
 34 **THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

Sec.

153301. *Organization.*

153302. *Purposes.*

153303. *Powers.*

153304. *Trustees.*

1 **§ 153301. Organization**

2 *National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (in this chapter,*
3 *the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic in the District of Colum-*
4 *bia.*

5 **§ 153302. Purposes**

6 *The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, historical, and educational,*
7 *and include those intended or designed—*

8 *(1) to perpetuate the memory of the men who, by their services or sac-*
9 *rifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the inde-*
10 *pendence of the American people;*

11 *(2) to unite and promote fellowship among their descendants;*

12 *(3) to inspire them and the community at large with a more profound*
13 *reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers;*

14 *(4) to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revo-*
15 *lution;*

16 *(5) to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of the*
17 *patriots of the war, as well as documents, relics, and landmarks;*

18 *(6) to mark the scenes of the American Revolution by appropriate me-*
19 *morials;*

20 *(7) to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war*
21 *and of the Revolutionary period;*

22 *(8) to foster true patriotism;*

23 *(9) to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and*

24 *(10) to carry out the purposes expressed in the preamble to the Con-*
25 *stitution of our country and the injunctions of Washington in his fare-*
26 *well address to the American people.*

27 **§ 153303. Powers**

28 *The corporation may—*

29 *(1) adopt and amend a constitution, bylaws, and regulations for the*
30 *admission, government, suspension, and expulsion of its members;*

31 *(2) adopt and alter a seal;*

32 *(3) provide for the election of its officers and define their duties;*

33 *(4) provide for State societies or chapters with regulations for their*
34 *conduct, and regulate and provide for the management, safe-keeping, and*
35 *protection of their property and funds;*

36 *(5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
37 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation; and*

38 *(6) sue and be sued.*

39 **§ 153304. Trustees**

40 *The property and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by at least*
41 *40 trustees. The trustees shall be elected annually at the time provided in the*

1 *bylaws. At least one trustee shall be elected annually from a list of nominees*
 2 *to be made by each of the State societies and submitted to the corporation*
 3 *at least 30 days before the annual meeting, in accordance with provisions*
 4 *adopted by the corporation to regulate nominations.*

5 **CHAPTER 1535—NATIONAL TROPICAL BOTANICAL**
 6 **GARDEN**

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153503. *Membership.*

153504. *Governing body.*

153505. *Powers.*

153506. *Exclusive right to name.*

153507. *Restrictions.*

153508. *Principal office and location of activities and gardens.*

153509. *Records and inspection.*

153510. *Statement required in audit report.*

153511. *Service of process.*

153512. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*

153513. *Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation.*

7 **§ 153501. Organization**

8 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*National Tropical Botanical Garden (in this*
 9 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

10 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 11 *tion has perpetual existence.*

12 **§ 153502. Purposes**

13 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

14 (1) *to establish, develop, operate, and maintain for the benefit of the*
 15 *people of the United States an educational and scientific center in the*
 16 *form of one or more tropical botanical gardens, together with facilities*
 17 *such as libraries, herbaria, laboratories, and museums that are appro-*
 18 *priate and necessary for encouraging and conducting research in basic*
 19 *and applied tropical botany;*

20 (2) *to foster and encourage fundamental research about tropical plant*
 21 *life and to encourage research and study of the uses of tropical flora in*
 22 *agriculture, forestry, horticulture, medicine, and other sciences;*

23 (3) *to disseminate through publications and other media the knowledge*
 24 *about basic and applied tropical botany acquired at the gardens;*

25 (4) *to collect and cultivate tropical flora of every nature and origin*
 26 *and to preserve for the people of the United States species of tropical*
 27 *plant life threatened with extinction; and*

28 (5) *to provide a beneficial facility that will contribute to the edu-*
 29 *cation, instruction, and recreation of the people of the United States.*

1 **§ 153503. Membership**

2 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
 3 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
 4 *provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

5 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each member (except an honorary or associate member) has*
 6 *one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members.*

7 **§ 153504. Governing body**

8 (a) *BOARD OF TRUSTEES.*—(1) *The board of trustees is the governing body*
 9 *of the corporation. The duties and powers of the board are as provided in*
 10 *the bylaws.*

11 (2) *The manner of selection and term of office of the trustees are as pro-*
 12 *vided in the bylaws.*

13 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a president, one or*
 14 *more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and other officers as provided*
 15 *in the bylaws.*

16 (2) *The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as*
 17 *provided in the bylaws.*

18 **§ 153505. Powers**

19 *The corporation may—*

20 (1) *adopt and amend bylaws for the management of its property and*
 21 *the regulation of its affairs;*

22 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

23 (3) *choose officers, trustees, managers, employees, and agents as the ac-*
 24 *tivities of the corporation require;*

25 (4) *make contracts;*

26 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 27 *or proper to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

28 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
 29 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

30 (7) *sue and be sued; and*

31 (8) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 32 *of the corporation.*

33 **§ 153506. Exclusive right to name**

34 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use and to allow others to use*
 35 *the name “National Tropical Botanical Garden”.*

36 **§ 153507. Restrictions**

37 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 38 *clare or pay a dividend.*

39 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a trustee or officer as such*
 40 *may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate for*
 41 *elective public office.*

1 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
 2 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a trustee,
 3 officer, or member during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or
 4 final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable
 5 compensation to an officer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in
 6 amounts approved by the board of trustees.

7 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a trustee, officer, or
 8 employee. Trustees who vote for or assent to making a loan to a trustee, offi-
 9 cer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan, are jointly
 10 and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan until it is
 11 repaid.

12 **§ 153508. Principal office and location of activities and gar-**
 13 **dens**

14 (a) *PRINCIPAL OFFICE.*—The principal office of the corporation shall be in
 15 the District of Columbia or another place decided by the board of trustees.

16 (b) *LOCATION OF ACTIVITIES AND GARDENS.*—The activities of the corpora-
 17 tion may be conducted anywhere. However, the corporation may establish
 18 tropical botanical gardens only in the United States and its territories and
 19 possessions.

20 **§ 153509. Records and inspection**

21 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

22 (1) correct and complete records of account;

23 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its board of trustees and committees
 24 having any of the authority of its board of trustees; and

25 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
 26 members entitled to vote.

27 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
 28 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
 29 at any reasonable time.

30 **§ 153510. Statement required in audit report**

31 The corporation shall include in the audit report statement required under
 32 section 10101(b)(1)(B) of this title a schedule of all contracts requiring pay-
 33 ments greater than \$10,000 and all payments of compensation or fees at a
 34 rate of greater than \$10,000 a year.

35 **§ 153511. Service of process**

36 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
 37 to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the
 38 agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service
 39 on the corporation.

1 **§ 153512. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

2 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 3 *the scope of their authority.*

4 **§ 153513. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 5 **uidation**

6 (a) *ALLOWABLE RECIPIENTS.—On dissolution or final liquidation of the*
 7 *corporation, any assets remaining after the discharge of all liabilities shall*
 8 *be distributed, as decided by the board of trustees, to—*

9 (1) *the United States Government, to be administered by the Secretary*
 10 *of the Interior under the Act of August 25, 1916 (16 U.S.C. 1 et seq.)*
 11 *(known as the National Park Service Organic Act); or*

12 (2) *a State or local government to be used for a public purpose.*

13 (b) *RESTRICTION.—A distribution under subsection (a) of this section shall*
 14 *be consistent with the purposes of the corporation and in compliance with the*
 15 *charter and bylaws.*

16 **CHAPTER 1537—NATIONAL WOMAN’S RELIEF CORPS,**
 17 **AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC**

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153712. *Annual report.*

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18 **§ 153701. Organization**

19 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—National Woman’s Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the*
 20 *Grand Army of the Republic (in this chapter, the “corporation”), is a feder-*
 21 *ally chartered corporation.*

22 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is de-*
 23 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

24 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 25 *tion has perpetual existence.*

26 **§ 153702. Purposes**

27 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

28 (1) *to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic, as*
 29 *the National Woman’s Relief Corps is its auxiliary and was organized*
 30 *at its request in 1883, and of the men who saved the Union in 1861*
 31 *to 1865;*

1 (2) to assist in every practicable way in preserving, and making
2 available for research, documents and records pertaining to the Grand
3 Army of the Republic and its members;

4 (3) to cooperate in doing honor to all those who have served our coun-
5 try patriotically in any war;

6 (4) to teach patriotism, the duties of citizenship, the true history of
7 our country, and the love and honor of our flag;

8 (5) to oppose every tendency or movement that would weaken loyalty
9 to, destroy, or impair our constitutional Union; and

10 (6) to inculcate and broadly sustain the American principles of rep-
11 resentative government, equal rights, and impartial justice for all.

12 **§ 153703. Membership**

13 *Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the cor-
14 poration and the rights, privileges, and designation of classes of members are
15 as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation. Eligibility for
16 membership is limited to—*

17 (1) women who are the wives, mothers, daughters, and sisters of Union
18 soldiers, sailors, and marines; and

19 (2) other loyal women who have not given aid or comfort to the en-
20 emies of the United States of America.

21 **§ 153704. Governing body**

22 (a) NATIONAL CONVENTION.—(1) *The national convention is the supreme
23 governing authority of the corporation.*

24 (2) *The national convention is composed of officers and elected representa-
25 tives from the States as provided by the regulations of the corporation. How-
26 ever, the form of government of the corporation must be representative of the
27 membership at large and may not permit concentration of control in a lim-
28 ited number of members or in a self-perpetuating group not representative of
29 the membership at large.*

30 (3) *The meetings of the national convention may be held in the District
31 of Columbia or in any State.*

32 (4) *During the intervals between the convention, the executive officers are
33 the governing board of the corporation and are responsible for the general
34 policies, program, and activities of the corporation.*

35 (b) COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.—*The council of administration of the
36 corporation shall consist of at least 7 members elected in the manner and for
37 the term provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

38 (c) OFFICERS.—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a national president,
39 senior vice national president, junior vice national president, secretary, treas-
40 urer, and other officers as provided in the constitution and bylaws. One indi-
41 vidual may hold the offices of secretary and treasurer.*

1 (2) *The titles, manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers*
2 *are as provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

3 **§ 153705. Powers**

4 *The corporation may—*

5 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
6 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

7 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

8 (3) *choose officers as the corporation requires;*

9 (4) *make contracts;*

10 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
11 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation; and*

12 (6) *sue and be sued.*

13 **§ 153706. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
14 **badges**

15 *The corporation and its subordinate corps have the exclusive right to use*
16 *the name “National Woman’s Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of*
17 *the Republic”. The corporation has the exclusive right to use and to allow oth-*
18 *ers to use seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

19 **§ 153707. Restrictions**

20 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
21 *clare or pay a dividend.*

22 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or an officer or agent as such*
23 *may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate for*
24 *public office.*

25 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
26 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, an officer*
27 *or member during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or final*
28 *liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable com-*
29 *ensation to an officer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in*
30 *amounts approved by the council of administration of the corporation.*

31 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to an officer*
32 *or member of the corporation. Members of the council of administration who*
33 *vote for or assent to making a loan or advance to an officer or member, and*
34 *officers who participate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and sever-*
35 *ally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until it*
36 *is repaid.*

37 **§ 153708. Principal office**

38 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in Springfield, Illinois.*
39 *However, the activities of the corporation are not confined to Springfield but*
40 *may be conducted throughout the States of the United States and the District*
41 *of Columbia.*

1 **§ 153709. Records and inspection**

2 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

3 (1) *correct and complete records of account; and*

4 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its national convention.*

5 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may
6 inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-
7 able time.

8 **§ 153710. Service of process**

9 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
10 to receive service of process, notice, or demand for the corporation. Designa-
11 tion of the agent shall be filed in the office of the Mayor of the District of
12 Columbia or another office designated by the Mayor. Notice to or service on
13 the agent is notice to or service on the corporation.

14 **§ 153711. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

15 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
16 the scope of their authority.

17 **§ 153712. Annual report**

18 Not later than 6 months after the end of each fiscal year, the corporation
19 shall submit a report to Congress on the activities of the corporation during
20 the prior fiscal year. The report may consist of a report on the proceedings
21 of the national convention during that fiscal year. The report may not be
22 printed as a public document.

23 **§ 153713. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-
24 uidation**

25 On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, its assets shall be
26 distributed as follows:

27 (1) *All liabilities shall be paid and discharged, or adequate provision
28 for payment and discharge shall be made.*

29 (2) *Assets held on condition requiring return or transfer on dissolution
30 of the corporation shall be returned or transferred as required by the con-
31 dition.*

32 (3) *Assets received and held subject to a limitation permitting use only
33 for charitable, religious, benevolent, educational, or similar purposes, but
34 not held on a condition requiring return or transfer on dissolution of
35 the corporation, shall be transferred to one or more appropriate domestic
36 or foreign corporations, societies, or organizations under a plan of dis-
37 tribution adopted as provided in this chapter.*

38 (4) *Other assets shall be distributed as provided by the articles of in-
39 corporation or bylaws to the extent that the articles or bylaws provide
40 the distributive rights of members, or any class of members, or provide
41 for distribution to others.*

1 (5) Any remaining assets may be distributed to persons, societies, or-
 2 ganizations, or domestic or foreign corporations engaged in activities not
 3 for profit, as provided in a plan of distribution adopted by the council
 4 of administration of the corporation and in compliance with the con-
 5 stitution and bylaws of the corporation.

6 **CHAPTER 1539—THE NATIONAL YOEMEN F**

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7 **§ 153901. Organization**

8 *The National Yoemen F (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a body cor-
 9 porate and politic in the District of Columbia.*

10 **§ 153902. Purposes**

11 *The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, historical, and educational
 12 and are—*

13 (1) *to foster and perpetuate the memory of the service of Yoemen (f)
 14 in the United States Naval Reserve Force of the United States Navy dur-
 15 ing World War I;*

16 (2) *to preserve the memories and incidents of their association in
 17 World War I by the encouragement of historical research concerning the
 18 service of Yoemen (f);*

19 (3) *to cherish, maintain, and extend the institutions of American free-
 20 dom by the promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries;*

21 (4) *to foster true patriotism and love of country; and*

22 (5) *to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.*

23 **§ 153903. Powers**

24 *The corporation may—*

25 (1) *adopt a constitution and bylaws;*

26 (2) *adopt a seal; and*

27 (3) *hold real and personal property in the United States, but only to
 28 the extent necessary to carry out the purposes of the corporation and
 29 only in an amount not more than \$50,000.*

30 **§ 153904. Deposit of historical material**

31 *The Regents of the Smithsonian Institution may permit the corporation to
 32 deposit its collections, manuscripts, books, pamphlets, and other material for
 33 history in the Smithsonian Institution or in the National Museum, on condi-
 34 tions and under rules they prescribe.*

35 **CHAPTER 1541—NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS**

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1 **§ 154101. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Naval Sea Cadet Corps (in this chapter, the*
 3 *“corporation”)* is a federally chartered corporation.

4 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 5 *tion has perpetual existence.*

6 **§ 154102. Purposes**

7 *The purposes of the corporation are, through organization and cooperation*
 8 *with the Department of the Navy—*

9 (1) *to encourage and aid American young people to develop an interest*
 10 *and skill in basic seamanship and in its naval adaptations;*

11 (2) *to train them in seagoing skills; and*

12 (3) *to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance, and kindred vir-*
 13 *tues.*

14 **§ 154103. Membership**

15 *Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the cor-*
 16 *poration and the rights, privileges, and designation of classes of members are*
 17 *as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

18 **§ 154104. Governing body**

19 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—(1) *The board of directors is the governing*
 20 *body of the corporation. The board is responsible for the general policies and*
 21 *program of the corporation and the control of all funds of the corporation.*

22 (2) *The number of directors, their manner of selection (including the filling*
 23 *of vacancies), and their term of office are as provided in the constitution and*
 24 *bylaws. However, the board shall have at least 10 but not more than 25 direc-*
 25 *tors.*

26 (b) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a president, one or*
 27 *more vice presidents as provided in the constitution and bylaws, a secretary,*
 28 *a treasurer, and other officers as provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

29 (2) *The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as*
 30 *provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

31 **§ 154105. Powers**

32 *The corporation may—*

1 (1) to encourage, promote, and maintain comradeship among individ-
2 uals who are or have been in the active service of the United States
3 Navy, the United States Marine Corps, or the United States Coast
4 Guard;

5 (2) to revere, honor, and perpetuate the memory of individuals de-
6 scribed in clause (1) of this section who have departed this life;

7 (3) to promote and encourage further public interest in the United
8 States Navy, the United States Marine Corps, and the United States
9 Coast Guard and the history of those organizations;

10 (4) to uphold the spirit and ideals of the United States Navy, the
11 United States Marine Corps, and the United States Coast Guard;

12 (5) to promote the ideals of American freedom and democracy and to
13 fit its members for the duties of citizenship and to encourage them to
14 serve as ably as citizens as they have served the Nation under arms; and

15 (6) to maintain true allegiance to American institutions.

16 **§ 154303. Powers**

17 *The corporation may—*

18 (1) adopt and amend bylaws;

19 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

20 (3) appoint or elect officers and agents;

21 (4) choose a board of trustees, consisting of at least 5 but not more
22 than 15 individuals, to conduct the business and exercise the powers of
23 the corporation;

24 (5) establish and maintain offices to conduct its activities;

25 (6) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
26 or appropriate to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

27 (7) charge and collect membership dues and receive contributions of
28 money or property to be devoted to carrying out the purposes of the cor-
29 poration;

30 (8) sue and be sued; and

31 (9) do any other act necessary or appropriate to carry out the pur-
32 poses of the corporation.

33 **§ 154304. Annual report**

34 *Not later than December 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a re-*
35 *port to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior calendar*
36 *year. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

37 **CHAPTER 1545—NAVY WIVES CLUBS OF AMERICA**

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 154509. *Records and inspection.*
 154510. *Service of process.*
 154511. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*
 154512. *Annual report.*

1 **§ 154501. Definition**

2 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 3 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

4 **§ 154502. Organization**

5 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Navy Wives Clubs of America (in this chapter,*
 6 *the “corporation”), incorporated in California, is a federally chartered cor-*
 7 *poration.*

8 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 9 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

10 **§ 154503. Purposes**

11 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
 12 *ration and include—*

13 *(1) supporting the Constitution of the United States;*

14 *(2) promoting a friendly relationship between the wives of enlisted*
 15 *men who are serving in the active United States Navy, United States*
 16 *Marine Corps, or United States Coast Guard or in the Active Reserves*
 17 *of those services; and*

18 *(3) performing charitable activities as provided in the constitution or*
 19 *bylaws of the corporation.*

20 **§ 154504. Membership**

21 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges*
 22 *of members are as provided in the bylaws.*

23 **§ 154505. Governing body**

24 *(a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 25 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

26 *(b) OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
 27 *the articles of incorporation.*

28 **§ 154506. Powers**

29 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
 30 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

31 **§ 154507. Restrictions**

32 *(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 33 *clare or pay a dividend.*

1 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or a director or officer as*
 2 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
 3 *or attempt to influence legislation.*

4 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
 5 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 6 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
 7 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
 8 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
 9 *the board of directors.*

10 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 11 *or employee.*

12 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—*The corporation*
 13 *may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United States*
 14 *Government for any of its activities.*

15 **§ 154508. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status**

16 (a) *CORPORATE STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as a*
 17 *corporation incorporated under the laws of each State in which it is incor-*
 18 *porated.*

19 (b) *TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.*—*The corporation shall maintain its status as an*
 20 *organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986*
 21 *(26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

22 **§ 154509. Records and inspection**

23 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

24 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

25 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 26 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

27 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 28 *members entitled to vote.*

29 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 30 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 31 *at any reasonable time.*

32 **§ 154510. Service of process**

33 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 34 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 35 *ties.*

36 **§ 154511. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

37 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 38 *the scope of their authority.*

39 **§ 154512. Annual report**

40 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 41 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*

1 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
2 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

3 **CHAPTER 1547—NON COMMISSIONED OFFICERS ASSO-**
4 **CIATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INCOR-**
5 **PORATED**

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154708. Restrictions.

154709. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status.

154710. Records and inspection.

154711. Service of process.

154712. Liability for acts of officers and agents.

154713. Annual report.

6 **§154701. Definition**

7 For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and
8 the territories and possessions of the United States.

9 **§154702. Organization**

10 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—Non Commissioned Officers Association of the
11 United States of America, Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”),
12 a nonprofit corporation incorporated in Texas, is a federally chartered cor-
13 poration.

14 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—If the corporation does not comply with
15 any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.

16 **§154703. Purposes**

17 The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the bylaws and articles
18 of incorporation and include—

19 (1) upholding and defending the Constitution of the United States;

20 (2) promoting health, prosperity, and scholarship among its members
21 and their dependents and survivors through benevolent programs;

22 (3) assisting veterans and their dependents and survivors through a
23 service program established for that purpose;

24 (4) improving conditions for service members, veterans, and their de-
25 pendents and survivors; and

26 (5) fostering fraternal and social activities among its members in rec-
27 ognition that cooperative action is required for the furtherance of their
28 common interests.

1 **§ 154704. Membership**

2 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
 3 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
 4 *provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

5 (b) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—*The terms of membership may not discriminate*
 6 *on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, age, or national origin.*

7 **§ 154705. Governing body**

8 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 9 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

10 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
 11 *the articles of incorporation.*

12 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—*The requirements for serving as a director or of-*
 13 *ficer may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability,*
 14 *age, or national origin.*

15 **§ 154706. Powers**

16 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
 17 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

18 **§ 154707. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 19 **badges**

20 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the names “The Non Com-*
 21 *missioned Officers Association of the United States of America”, “Non Com-*
 22 *missioned Officers Association of the United States of America”, “Non Com-*
 23 *missioned Officers Association”, and “NCOA”, and seals, emblems, and*
 24 *badges the corporation adopts. This section does not affect any vested rights.*

25 **§ 154708. Restrictions**

26 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 27 *clare or pay a dividend.*

28 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
 29 *corporation may not inure of the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 30 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
 31 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
 32 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
 33 *the board of directors.*

34 (c) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 35 *or employee.*

36 (d) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—*The corpora-*
 37 *tion may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
 38 *States Government for any of its activities.*

39 **§ 154709. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

40 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 41 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

1 **§ 154710. Records and inspection**

2 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

3 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

4 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
5 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

6 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
7 *members entitled to vote.*

8 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
9 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
10 *at any reasonable time.*

11 **§ 154711. Service of process**

12 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
13 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
14 *ties.*

15 **§ 154712. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

16 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
17 *the scope of their authority.*

18 **§ 154713. Annual report**

19 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
20 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
21 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
22 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

23 **CHAPTER 1601—[RESERVED]**

24 **CHAPTER 1701—PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA**

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25 **§ 170101. Organization**

26 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Paralyzed Veterans of America (in this chapter,*
27 *the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

28 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
29 *tion has perpetual existence.*

30 **§ 170102. Purposes**

31 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

32 (1) *to preserve the great and basic truths and enduring principles on*
33 *which this Nation was founded;*

1 (2) to form a national association for the benefit of individuals who
2 have suffered injuries or diseases of the spinal cord;

3 (3) to acquaint the public with the needs and problems of paraplegics;

4 (4) to promote medical research in the several fields connected with
5 injuries and diseases of the spinal cord, including research in neuro-
6 surgery and orthopedics and in genitourinary and orthopedic appliances;
7 and

8 (5) to advocate and foster complete and effective reconditioning pro-
9 grams for paraplegics, including a thorough physical reconditioning pro-
10 gram, physiotherapy, competent walking instructions, adequate guidance
11 (both vocational and educational), academic and vocational education
12 (both in hospitals and in educational institutions), psychological orienta-
13 tion and readjustment to family and friends, and occupational therapy
14 (both functional and diversional).

15 **§ 170103. Membership**

16 An individual is eligible for membership in the corporation if the individ-
17 ual—

18 (1) is a citizen of the United States;

19 (2) was regularly enlisted, inducted, or commissioned, and was accept-
20 ed for or on active duty, in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force,
21 or Coast Guard of the United States or an ally of the United States;

22 (3)(A) was separated from service in the armed forces under condi-
23 tions other than dishonorable; or

24 (B) is on active duty or must continue to serve after the cessation of
25 hostilities; and

26 (4) has suffered a spinal cord injury or disease, whether or not service
27 connected in origin.

28 **§ 170104. Powers**

29 (a) SPECIFIC POWERS.—The corporation may—

30 (1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws;

31 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal, emblems, and badges;

32 (3) choose officers, representatives, and agents as necessary to carry
33 out the purposes of the corporation;

34 (4) make contracts;

35 (5) accept gifts, legacies, and devises that will further the purposes of
36 the corporation;

37 (6) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
38 to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

39 (7) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-
40 ligations by granting security interests in its property;

1 (8) *establish, regulate, and discontinue subordinate State and regional*
2 *organizations and local chapters or posts;*

3 (9) *establish and maintain offices to conduct the affairs of the corpora-*
4 *tion;*

5 (10) *publish a magazine, newspaper, and other publications;*

6 (11) *sue and be sued; and*

7 (12) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
8 *of the corporation.*

9 (b) *PRIVILEGES OF OTHER NATIONAL VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS.—Privi-*
10 *leges granted to other national veterans' organizations as a result of their*
11 *being incorporated by Congress are also granted to the corporation.*

12 **§ 170105. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
13 **badges**

14 *The corporation and its State and regional organizations and local chap-*
15 *ters or posts have the exclusive right to use the name "Paralyzed Veterans of*
16 *America" and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation lawfully adopts.*

17 **§ 170106. Restrictions**

18 (a) *PROFIT.—The corporation may not engage in business for profit.*

19 (b) *STOCK.—The corporation may not issue stock.*

20 (c) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation shall be nonpolitical and may*
21 *not provide financial aid to, or otherwise promote the candidacy of, an indi-*
22 *vidual seeking public office.*

23 (d) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
24 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
25 *officer, member, or employee during the life of the corporation or on its dis-*
26 *solution or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment*
27 *of reasonable compensation to an officer or employee or reimbursement for ac-*
28 *tual necessary expenses in amounts approved by the board of directors.*

29 (e) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
30 *member, or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making such a loan,*
31 *and officers who participate in making the loan, are jointly and severally lia-*
32 *ble to the corporation for the amount of the loan until it is repaid.*

33 **§ 170107. Headquarters and principal place of business**

34 *The headquarters and principal place of business of the corporation shall*
35 *be in the District of Columbia. However, the activities of the corporation are*
36 *not confined to the District of Columbia but may be conducted throughout the*
37 *States, territories, and possessions of the United States.*

38 **§ 170108. Records and inspection**

39 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

40 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

1 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, executive committee,*
 2 *and committees having any of the authority of its executive committee;*
 3 *and*

4 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 5 *members entitled to vote.*

6 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 7 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 8 *at any reasonable time.*

9 **§170109. Service of process**

10 *As a condition to the exercise of any power or privilege granted by this*
 11 *chapter, the corporation shall file, with the secretary of state or other des-*
 12 *ignated official of each State, territory, or possession of the United States in*
 13 *which an organization, chapter, or post is organized, the name and address*
 14 *of an agent in that State, territory, or possession on whom legal process or*
 15 *demands against the corporation may be served.*

16 **§170110. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

17 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 18 *the scope of their authority.*

19 **§170111. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 20 **uidation**

21 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 22 *after the discharge or satisfactory provision for discharge of all liabilities*
 23 *shall be transferred to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to be applied to the*
 24 *care and comfort of paralyzed veterans.*

25 **CHAPTER 1703—PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS**
 26 **ASSOCIATION**

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- 170313. *Annual report.*

27 **§170301. Definition**

28 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 29 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

1 **§ 170302. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Pearl Harbor Survivors Association (in this*
 3 *chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in Missouri,*
 4 *is a federally chartered corporation.*

5 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—*If the corporation does not comply with*
 6 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

7 **§ 170303. Purposes**

8 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-*
 9 *tion and include—*

10 (1) *upholding and defending the Constitution of the United States;*

11 (2) *collating, preserving, and encouraging the study of historical epi-*
 12 *sodes, chronicles, mementos, and events pertaining to “The Day of In-*
 13 *famy, 7 December 1941”, and in particular those memories and records*
 14 *of patriotic service performed by the heroic Pearl Harbor survivors and*
 15 *nonsurvivors;*

16 (3) *shielding from neglect the graves, past and future, of those who*
 17 *served at Pearl Harbor on that day;*

18 (4) *stimulating communities and political subdivisions into taking*
 19 *more interest in the affairs and future of the United States to keep our*
 20 *Nation alert;*

21 (5) *fighting unceasingly for our national security to protect the United*
 22 *States from enemies within and without our borders;*

23 (6) *preserving the American way of life and fostering the spirit and*
 24 *practice of Americanism; and*

25 (7) *instilling love of country and flag and promoting soundness of*
 26 *mind and body in the youth of our Nation.*

27 **§ 170304. Membership**

28 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the*
 29 *rights and privileges of members are as provided in the constitution and by-*
 30 *laws of the corporation.*

31 (b) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—*The terms of membership may not discriminate*
 32 *on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin.*

33 **§ 170305. Governing body**

34 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—*The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 35 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

36 (b) *OFFICERS.*—*The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
 37 *the articles of incorporation.*

38 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—*The requirements for holding office in the cor-*
 39 *poration may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, or na-*
 40 *tional origin.*

1 **§170306. Powers**

2 *The corporation has the powers provided in its bylaws and articles of in-*
 3 *corporation filed in the State in which it is incorporated, including the power*
 4 *to—*

5 *(1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 6 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

7 *(2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

8 *(3) adopt emblems and badges;*

9 *(4) establish, maintain, and regulate offices to conduct the affairs of*
 10 *the corporation;*

11 *(5) publish a magazine and other publications;*

12 *(6) charge and collect membership dues and subscription fees and re-*
 13 *ceive contributions or grants of money or property to be used to carry*
 14 *out the purposes of the corporation;*

15 *(7) accept gifts, legacies, and devises that will further the purposes of*
 16 *the corporation;*

17 *(8) promote the formation of auxiliaries, the membership requirements*
 18 *of which shall be as provided in the constitution and the bylaws of the*
 19 *corporation;*

20 *(9) sue and be sued; and*

21 *(10) do any other act necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes*
 22 *of the corporation.*

23 **§170307. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 24 **badges**

25 *The corporation and its regional districts and local branches have the ex-*
 26 *clusive right to use the name “Pearl Harbor Survivors Association” and seals,*
 27 *emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

28 **§170308. Restrictions**

29 *(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 30 *clare or pay a dividend.*

31 *(b) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
 32 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
 33 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

34 *(c) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 35 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 36 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter or*
 37 *on dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation. This subsection does not*
 38 *prevent the payment of compensation to an officer or reimbursement for ac-*
 39 *tual necessary expenses in amounts approved by the board of directors.*

40 *(d) LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 41 *or employee.*

1 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.*—The cor-
 2 poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United
 3 States Government for any of its activities.

4 **§ 170309. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

5 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 6 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

7 **§ 170310. Records and inspection**

8 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

9 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

10 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 11 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

12 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 13 *members entitled to vote.*

14 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
 15 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
 16 at any reasonable time.

17 **§ 170311. Service of process**

18 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 19 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 20 *ties.*

21 **§ 170312. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

22 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 23 *the scope of their authority.*

24 **§ 170313. Annual report**

25 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 26 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 27 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 28 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

29 **CHAPTER 1705—POLISH LEGION OF AMERICAN**
 30 **VETERANS, U.S.A.**

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170512. *Annual report.*

1 **§ 170501. Definition**

2 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 3 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

4 **§ 170502. Organization**

5 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A. (in*
 6 *this chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in Illi-*
 7 *nois, is a federally chartered corporation.*

8 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 9 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

10 **§ 170503. Purposes**

11 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-*
 12 *tion. The corporation shall function as a veterans’ and patriotic organization*
 13 *as authorized by the laws of each State in which it is incorporated.*

14 **§ 170504. Membership**

15 *(a) ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
 16 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
 17 *provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

18 *(b) NONDISCRIMINATION.—The terms of membership may not discriminate*
 19 *on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin.*

20 **§ 170505. Governing body**

21 *(a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 22 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

23 *(b) OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
 24 *the articles of incorporation.*

25 *(c) NONDISCRIMINATION.—The requirements for holding office in the cor-*
 26 *poration may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, or na-*
 27 *tional origin.*

28 **§ 170506. Powers**

29 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
 30 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

31 **§ 170507. Restrictions**

32 *(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 33 *clare or pay a dividend.*

34 *(b) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as*
 35 *such may not contribute to, support, or participate in any political activity*
 36 *or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.*

37 *(c) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 38 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 39 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
 40 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*

1 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
 2 *the board of directors.*

3 (d) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 4 *or employee.*

5 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORIZATION.—The cor-*
 6 *poration may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
 7 *States Government for any of its activities.*

8 **§ 170508. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

9 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 10 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

11 **§ 170509. Records and inspection**

12 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

13 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

14 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 15 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

16 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 17 *members entitled to vote.*

18 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 19 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 20 *at any reasonable time.*

21 **§ 170510. Service of process**

22 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 23 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 24 *ties.*

25 **§ 170511. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

26 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 27 *the scope of their authority.*

28 **§ 170512. Annual report**

29 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 30 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 31 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 32 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

33 **CHAPTER 1801—[RESERVED]**

34 **CHAPTER 1901—RESERVE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF**
 35 **THE UNITED STATES**

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1 **§ 190101. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Reserve Officers Association of the United States*
3 *(in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

4 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
5 *tion has perpetual existence.*

6 **§ 190102. Purposes**

7 *The purposes of the corporation are to support and promote the develop-*
8 *ment and execution of a military policy for the United States that will pro-*
9 *vide adequate national security.*

10 **§ 190103. Membership**

11 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Eligibility for membership in the corporation is as pro-*
12 *vided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

13 (b) *VOTING.*—*Each active member of a department or chapter has one vote*
14 *in the conduct of official business of that department or chapter.*

15 **§ 190104. Governing body**

16 (a) *NATIONAL CONVENTION.*—*The corporation shall hold an annual na-*
17 *tional convention. The national convention shall be composed of delegates*
18 *elected by the various departments.*

19 (b) *NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.*—(1) *The national executive com-*
20 *mittee is the governing body of the corporation.*

21 (2) *The national executive committee consists of the president, the last past*
22 *president, 3 vice presidents, 3 junior vice presidents, 3 national executive*
23 *committee members, and the executive director. Each of these individuals, ex-*
24 *cept the executive director, has one vote on each matter decided by the com-*
25 *mittee.*

26 (c) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a president, 3 vice*
27 *presidents, 3 junior vice presidents, 3 national executive committee members,*
28 *an executive director, a national treasurer, a judge advocate, a surgeon, a*
29 *chaplain, a historian, a public relations officer, and other officers as decided*
30 *at the national convention.*

31 (2) *The national officers of the corporation shall be elected at the annual*
32 *national convention, except for the executive director, the national treasurer,*
33 *and the national public relations officer, who shall be appointed by the na-*
34 *tional executive committee.*

35 (3) *The elected officers shall hold office for one year or until their successors*
36 *have been elected and qualified.*

37 (d) *VACANCIES.*—(1) *Except for the positions of president and last past*
38 *president, a vacancy on the national executive committee shall be filled by*

1 *the existing members of the committee. An individual appointed by the com-*
 2 *mittee to fill a vacancy serves until the next national convention when the*
 3 *individual's successor shall be elected for the unexpired term, if any, caused*
 4 *by the vacancy.*

5 *(2) If the president is absent or the office of president is vacant, the na-*
 6 *tional vice president of the same service as the president shall act as presi-*
 7 *dent.*

8 **§ 190105. Powers**

9 *The corporation may—*

10 *(1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws;*

11 *(2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

12 *(3) adopt and alter emblems and badges;*

13 *(4) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
 14 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

15 *(5) publish a magazine, newspaper, and other publications;*

16 *(6) establish, regulate, and discontinue subordinate departmental sub-*
 17 *divisions and local chapters;*

18 *(7) sue and be sued; and*

19 *(8) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 20 *of the corporation.*

21 **§ 190106. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and** 22 **badges**

23 *The corporation and its subordinate departmental subdivisions and local*
 24 *chapters have the exclusive right to use the name “Reserve Officers Association*
 25 *of the United States” and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

26 **§ 190107. Restrictions**

27 *(a) PROFIT.—The corporation may not engage in business for profit.*

28 *(b) STOCK.—The corporation may not issue stock.*

29 *(c) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or an officer or member as*
 30 *such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate*
 31 *for public office.*

32 *(d) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 33 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, an officer*
 34 *or member except on dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation.*

35 *(e) LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to an officer*
 36 *or member of the national executive committee. Members of the national exec-*
 37 *utive committee who vote for or assent to making a loan or advance to an*
 38 *officer, and officers who participate in making the loan or advance, are joint-*
 39 *ly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan or ad-*
 40 *vance until it is repaid.*

1 **§ 190108. Headquarters**

2 *The headquarters of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.*

3 **§ 190109. Records and inspection**

4 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

5 *(1) correct and complete records of account;*

6 *(2) minutes of the proceedings of its national conventions, national ex-*
 7 *ecutive committee, and national council; and*

8 *(3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 9 *members entitled to vote.*

10 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 11 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 12 *at any reasonable time.*

13 **§ 190110. Service of process**

14 (a) *DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.*—*The corporation shall have a designated*
 15 *agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corpora-*
 16 *tion. Notice to or service on the agent is notice to or service on the corpora-*
 17 *tion.*

18 (b) *STATES, TERRITORIES, AND POSSESSIONS.*—*As a condition to the exer-*
 19 *cise of any power or privilege granted by this chapter, the corporation shall*
 20 *file, with the secretary of state or other designated official of each State, terri-*
 21 *tory, or possession of the United States in which a subordinate department*
 22 *or local chapter is organized, the name and address of an agent in that State,*
 23 *territory, or possession on whom legal process or demands against the cor-*
 24 *poration may be served.*

25 **§ 190111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

26 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 27 *the scope of their authority.*

28 **§ 190112. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 29 **uidation**

30 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 31 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be divided equally among the then*
 32 *active officers and members.*

33 **CHAPTER 1903—RETIRED ENLISTED ASSOCIATION,**
 34 **INCORPORATED**

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190313. *Annual report.*

1 **§ 190301. Definition**

2 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 3 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

4 **§ 190302. Organization**

5 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Retired Enlisted Association, Incorporated (in*
 6 *this chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in Col-*
 7 *orado, is a federally chartered corporation.*

8 *(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 9 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

10 **§ 190303. Purposes**

11 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-*
 12 *tion and bylaws and include—*

13 *(1) upholding and defending the Constitution of the United States;*

14 *(2) promoting health, prosperity, and scholarship among its members*
 15 *and their dependents and survivors through benevolent programs;*

16 *(3) assisting veterans and their dependents and survivors through a*
 17 *service program established for that purpose;*

18 *(4) improving conditions for retired enlisted service members, veterans,*
 19 *and their dependents and survivors; and*

20 *(5) fostering fraternal and social activities among its members in rec-*
 21 *ognition that cooperative action is required for the furtherance of their*
 22 *common interests.*

23 **§ 190304. Membership**

24 *(a) ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-*
 25 *bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as*
 26 *provided in the articles of incorporation and bylaws.*

27 *(b) NONDISCRIMINATION.—The terms of membership may not discriminate*
 28 *on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, age, or national origin.*

29 **§ 190305. Governing body**

30 *(a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities*
 31 *of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.*

32 *(b) OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in*
 33 *the articles of incorporation.*

34 *(c) NONDISCRIMINATION.—The requirements for serving as a director or of-*
 35 *ficer may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability,*
 36 *age, or national origin.*

1 **§ 190306. Powers**

2 *The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles*
 3 *of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.*

4 **§ 190307. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 5 **badges**

6 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the names “The Retired En-*
 7 *listed Association, Incorporated”, “The Retired Enlisted Association”, “Re-*
 8 *tired Enlisted Association”, and “TREA” and seals, emblems, and badges the*
 9 *corporation adopts. This section does not affect any vested rights.*

10 **§ 190308. Restrictions**

11 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 12 *clare or pay a dividend.*

13 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 14 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,*
 15 *officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This*
 16 *subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-*
 17 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
 18 *the board of directors.*

19 (c) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 20 *or employee.*

21 (d) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.—The corpora-*
 22 *tion may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
 23 *States Government for any of its activities.*

24 **§ 190309. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

25 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 26 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

27 **§ 190310. Records and inspection**

28 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

29 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

30 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 31 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

32 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 33 *members entitled to vote.*

34 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 35 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 36 *at any reasonable time.*

37 **§ 190311. Service of process**

38 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 39 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 40 *ties.*

1 **§ 190312. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

2 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 3 *the scope of their authority.*

4 **§ 190313. Annual report**

5 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 6 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 7 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 8 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

9 **CHAPTER 2001—SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FLORISTS AND**
 10 **ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURISTS**

Sec.

200101. *Organization.*

200102. *Purposes.*

200103. *Powers.*

200104. *Restrictions.*

200105. *Principal office.*

200106. *Nonapplication of audit requirements.*

11 **§ 200101. Organization**

12 *Society of American Florists and Ornamental Horticulturists (in this*
 13 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic in the District of*
 14 *Columbia.*

15 **§ 200102. Purposes**

16 *The purposes of the corporation are to educate members of the florist indus-*
 17 *try and the public, and to promote scientific development, in floriculture and*
 18 *horticulture.*

19 **§ 200103. Powers**

20 *The corporation may—*

21 *(1) adopt a constitution and bylaws for the management of its prop-*
 22 *erty and the regulation of its affairs; and*

23 *(2)(A) hold property, in the District of Columbia or elsewhere, nec-*
 24 *essary to carry out the purposes of the corporation, in an amount not*
 25 *to exceed \$1,000,000; and*

26 *(B) hold other property donated or bequeathed in any State or terri-*
 27 *tory of the United States.*

28 **§ 200104. Restrictions**

29 *(a) PROFIT.—The corporation may not operate for profit.*

30 *(b) USE OF EARNINGS.—Earnings generated by the corporation may be*
 31 *used only for the purposes provided in section 200102 of this title.*

32 *(c) USE OF PROPERTY.—Property held by the corporation, and the pro-*
 33 *ceeds from the property, may be used only for the purposes provided in section*
 34 *200102 of this title.*

35 *(d) PARKS IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—The corporation may not oc-*
 36 *cupy any park in the District of Columbia.*

1 **§200105. Principal office**

2 *The principal office of the corporation shall be located in the District of*
 3 *Columbia. However, annual meetings may be held wherever the corporation*
 4 *decides.*

5 **§200106. Nonapplication of audit requirements**

6 *The audit requirements of section 10101 of this title do not apply to the*
 7 *corporation.*

8 **CHAPTER 2003—SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE**
 9 **CIVIL WAR**

Sec.

200301. *Organization.*

200302. *Purposes.*

200303. *Membership.*

200304. *Governing body.*

200305. *Powers.*

200306. *Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges.*

200307. *Restrictions.*

200308. *Principal office.*

200309. *Records and inspection.*

200310. *Service of process.*

200311. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*

200312. *Annual report.*

200313. *Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation.*

10 **§200301. Organization**

11 *(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (in this*
 12 *chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.*

13 *(b) PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is de-*
 14 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

15 *(c) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 16 *tion has perpetual existence.*

17 **§200302. Purposes**

18 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

19 *(1) to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and*
 20 *of the men who saved the Union in 1861 to 1865;*

21 *(2) to assist in every practicable way in preserving, and making*
 22 *available for research, documents and records pertaining to the Grand*
 23 *Army of the Republic and its members;*

24 *(3) to cooperate in honoring all those who have served our country pa-*
 25 *triotically in any war;*

26 *(4) to teach patriotism, the duties of citizenship, the true history of*
 27 *our country, and the love and honor of our flag;*

28 *(5) to oppose every tendency or movement that would weaken loyalty*
 29 *to, destroy, or impair our constitutional Union; and*

30 *(6) to inculcate and broadly sustain the American principles of rep-*
 31 *resentative government, equal rights, and impartial justice for all.*

1 **§200303. Membership**

2 (a) *GENERAL.*—*Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for member-*
 3 *ship in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of classes*
 4 *of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

5 (b) *REQUIRED SERVICE.*—*Eligibility for membership in the corporation is*
 6 *limited to male blood relatives of an individual who—*

7 (1) *served at any time during the period from April 12, 1861, through*
 8 *April 9, 1865, as a soldier or sailor in—*

9 (A) *the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue-*
 10 *Cutter Service; or*

11 (B) *a State regiment that was called into active service and was*
 12 *subject to orders of United States general officers during that period;*
 13 *and*

14 (2) *was discharged honorably from, or died in, that service.*

15 **§200304. Governing body**

16 (a) *NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.*—(1) *The national encampment is the su-*
 17 *preme governing authority of the corporation.*

18 (2) *The national encampment is composed of officers and elected represent-*
 19 *atives from the States and other local subdivisions of the corporation as pro-*
 20 *vided in the constitution and bylaws. However, the form of government of the*
 21 *corporation must be representative of the membership at large and may not*
 22 *permit concentration of control in a limited number of members or in a self-*
 23 *perpetuating group not representative of the membership at large.*

24 (3) *The meetings of the national encampment may be held in the District*
 25 *of Columbia or in any State, territory, or possession of the United States.*

26 (b) *COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.*—(1) *During the intervals between the*
 27 *national encampments, the council of administration is the governing board*
 28 *of the corporation and is responsible for the general policies, program, and*
 29 *activities of the corporation.*

30 (2) *The council of administration shall consist of at least 7 members elected*
 31 *in the manner and for the term provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

32 (c) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a commander in*
 33 *chief, a senior vice commander in chief, a junior vice commander in chief,*
 34 *a secretary, a treasurer, and other officers as provided in the constitution and*
 35 *bylaws. One individual may hold the offices of secretary and treasurer.*

36 (2) *The manner of selection, term of office, and duties of the officers are*
 37 *as provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

38 **§200305. Powers**

39 *The corporation may—*

40 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
 41 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

1 **§200309. Records and inspection**

2 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

3 (1) correct and complete records of account; and

4 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its national encampments and coun-
5 cil of administration.

6 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may
7 inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-
8 able time.

9 **§200310. Service of process**

10 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
11 to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the
12 agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service
13 on the corporation.

14 **§200311. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

15 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
16 the scope of their authority.

17 **§200312. Annual report**

18 Not later than March 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a report
19 to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior fiscal year.
20 The report may consist of a report on the proceedings of the national encamp-
21 ment. The report may not be printed as a public document.

22 **§200313. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-
23 uidation**

24 On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining
25 after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the
26 council of administration, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws
27 of the corporation.

28 **CHAPTER 2101—THEODORE ROOSEVELT ASSOCIATION**

Sec.

210101. *Organization.*

210102. *Purposes.*

210103. *Membership.*

210104. *Governing body.*

210105. *Powers.*

210106. *Restrictions.*

210107. *Nonapplication of audit requirements.*

29 **§210101. Organization**

30 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—Theodore Roosevelt Association (in this chapter,
31 the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic in the District of Colum-
32 bia.

33 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-
34 tion has perpetual existence.

1 **§210102. Purposes**

2 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

3 *(1) to perpetuate the memory of Theodore Roosevelt for the benefit of*
 4 *the people of the United States and the world; and*

5 *(2) to solicit, receive, hold, and maintain funds, and to apply the*
 6 *principal of the funds and the income from those funds to the following*
 7 *objects, among others:*

8 *(A) the erection and maintenance of a suitable and adequate*
 9 *monumental memorial in the District of Columbia to the memory*
 10 *of Theodore Roosevelt.*

11 *(B) the acquisition, development, and maintenance of a public*
 12 *park in memory of Theodore Roosevelt in Oyster Bay, New York.*

13 *(C) the establishment and maintenance of an endowment fund to*
 14 *promote the development and application of the policies and ideals*
 15 *of Theodore Roosevelt for the benefit of the American people.*

16 *(D) the donation of real and personal property, including part*
 17 *or all of its endowment fund, to a public agency for the purpose*
 18 *of preserving in public ownership historically significant property*
 19 *associated with the life of Theodore Roosevelt.*

20 **§210103. Membership**

21 *Eligibility for membership in the corporation is as provided in regulations*
 22 *adopted by the board of trustees.*

23 **§210104. Governing body**

24 *(a) BOARD OF TRUSTEES.—A self-perpetuating board of trustees shall man-*
 25 *age and direct the property and affairs of the corporation.*

26 *(b) POWERS.—The board of trustees may adopt and amend a constitution,*
 27 *bylaws, and regulations for—*

28 *(1) the selection of successor trustees;*

29 *(2) the admission of members;*

30 *(3) the election of officers; and*

31 *(4) the conduct of the affairs of the corporation.*

32 **§210105. Powers**

33 *The corporation may—*

34 *(1) adopt a constitution, bylaws, and regulations;*

35 *(2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

36 *(3) acquire and own property necessary to carry out the purposes of*
 37 *the corporation;*

38 *(4) give and dedicate its property to public agencies and purposes;*

39 *(5) maintain offices, hold meetings, and conduct business affairs in the*
 40 *District of Columbia and in the States, territories, and possessions of the*
 41 *United States;*

- 1 (6) *sue and be sued within the jurisdiction of the United States; and*
 2 (7) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
 3 *of the corporation.*

4 **§210106. Restrictions**

- 5 (a) *EXCLUSIVELY EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.—The corporation shall be op-*
 6 *erated exclusively for educational purposes.*
 7 (b) *STOCKS AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 8 *clare or pay a dividend.*
 9 (c) *DISTRIBUTIONS OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
 10 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of any member or individual.*

11 **§210107. Nonapplication of audit requirements**

- 12 *The audit requirements of section 10101 of this title do not apply to the*
 13 *corporation.*

14 **CHAPTER 2103—369TH VETERANS’ ASSOCIATION**

Sec.

210301. *Definition.*
 210302. *Organization.*
 210303. *Purposes.*
 210304. *Membership.*
 210305. *Governing body.*
 210306. *Powers.*
 210307. *Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges.*
 210308. *Restrictions.*
 210309. *Duty to maintain tax-exempt status.*
 210310. *Records and inspection.*
 210311. *Service of process.*
 210312. *Liability for acts of officers and agents.*
 210313. *Annual report.*

15 **§210301. Definition**

- 16 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 17 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

18 **§210302. Organization**

- 19 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.—369th Veterans’ Association (in this chapter, the*
 20 *“corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in New York, is a feder-*
 21 *ally chartered corporation.*
 22 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with*
 23 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

24 **§210303. Purposes**

- 25 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorpo-*
 26 *ration and include—*
 27 (1) *promoting the principles of friendship and good will among its*
 28 *members;*
 29 (2) *engaging in social and civic activities that tend to enhance the*
 30 *welfare of its members and inculcate the true principles of good citizen-*
 31 *ship in its members; and*

1 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—The corporation
2 may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United States
3 Government for any of its activities.

4 **§210309. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

5 The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from
6 taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

7 **§210310. Records and inspection**

8 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

9 (1) correct and complete records of account;

10 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, the board of directors,
11 and committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

12 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
13 members entitled to vote.

14 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
15 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
16 at any reasonable time.

17 **§210311. Service of process**

18 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
19 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
20 ties.

21 **§210312. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

22 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
23 the scope of their authority.

24 **§210313. Annual report**

25 The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities
26 of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted
27 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
28 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

29 **CHAPTER 2201—UNITED SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS,**
30 **INCORPORATED**

Sec.

220101. Organization.

220102. Purposes.

220103. Membership.

220104. Governing body.

220105. Powers.

220106. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges.

220107. Assistance by Department of Defense.

220108. Restrictions.

220109. Duty to maintain corporate status.

220110. Principal office.

220111. Records and inspection.

220112. Service of process.

220113. Annual report.

220114. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation.

1 **§220101. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*United Service Organizations, Incorporated (in*
3 *this chapter, the “corporation”), is a federally chartered corporation.*

4 (b) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
5 *tion has perpetual existence.*

6 **§220102. Purposes**

7 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

8 (1) *to provide a voluntary civilian agency through which the people*
9 *of this Nation may, in peace or war, serve the religious, spiritual, social,*
10 *welfare, educational, and entertainment needs of men and women in the*
11 *armed forces, within or without the territorial limits of the United*
12 *States;*

13 (2) *to contribute to the maintenance of morale of men and women in*
14 *the armed forces;*

15 (3) *to solicit funds to maintain the organization and accomplish its*
16 *responsibility;*

17 (4) *to accept the cooperation of, and provide an organization and*
18 *means through which, the National Board of Young Men’s Christian As-*
19 *sociations, the National Board of Young Women’s Christian Associations,*
20 *the National Catholic Community Service, the Salvation Army, the Na-*
21 *tional Jewish Welfare Board, the Travelers Aid-International Social*
22 *Service of America, and other civilian agencies experienced in specialized*
23 *types of related work, which may be needed adequately to meet the par-*
24 *ticular needs of the members of the armed forces, may carry on their his-*
25 *toric work of serving the religious, spiritual, social, welfare, educational,*
26 *and entertainment needs of men and women in the armed forces and be*
27 *afforded an appropriate means of participation and financial assistance;*

28 (5) *to coordinate their programs; and*

29 (6) *other consonant purposes.*

30 **§220103. Membership**

31 *Except as provided in this chapter, the rights, privileges, and designation*
32 *of classes of members are as provided in the bylaws. The membership of the*
33 *corporation consists of—*

34 (1) *9 individuals designated by the President; and*

35 (2) *representatives of the civilian organizations listed in section*
36 *220102(4) of this title, and of the public at large, as provided in the by-*
37 *laws.*

38 **§220104. Governing body**

39 (a) *BOARD OF GOVERNORS.*—(1) *The board of governors is the governing*
40 *body of the corporation. The board is responsible for the general policies and*

1 *program of the corporation and for the control of the affairs and property*
 2 *of the corporation.*

3 (2) *The board shall be elected by the members of the corporation for the*
 4 *term and in the classes provided in the bylaws of the corporation. The board*
 5 *includes—*

6 (A) *6 members appointed by the President;*

7 (B) *the Secretary of State or the Secretary's designee; and*

8 (C) *representatives of the civilian organizations listed in section*
 9 *220102(4) of this title, and of the public at large, as provided in the by-*
 10 *laws.*

11 (3) *The corporation may have other governing bodies or committees as pro-*
 12 *vided in the bylaws.*

13 (b) *OFFICERS.—(1) The office of honorary chairman of the corporation*
 14 *shall be offered to the President. On acceptance, the honorary chairman shall*
 15 *be invited to preside at meetings of the corporation that the honorary chair-*
 16 *man deems appropriate and convenient.*

17 (2) *The corporation may have other officers as provided in the bylaws.*

18 **§220105. Powers**

19 *The corporation has all the powers necessary and proper to carry out the*
 20 *purposes stated in section 220102 of this title, including the power—*

21 (1) *to adopt and amend bylaws and regulations for the management*
 22 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

23 (2) *to adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

24 (3) *to adopt and alter emblems and marks;*

25 (4) *to establish and maintain offices to conduct the affairs of the cor-*
 26 *poration;*

27 (5) *to choose officers, representatives, and agents as the activities of*
 28 *the corporation require;*

29 (6) *to make contracts;*

30 (7) *to acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as nec-*
 31 *essary or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

32 (8) *to borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its*
 33 *obligations by granting security interests in its property;*

34 (9) *to publish a magazine, newspaper, and other publications;*

35 (10) *to establish, regulate, and terminate councils, organizations,*
 36 *chapters, or affiliates as needed to carry out the purposes stated in sec-*
 37 *tion 220102 of this title;*

38 (11) *to solicit funds;*

39 (12) *to sue and be sued; and*

40 (13) *to do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the pur-*
 41 *poses stated in section 220102 of this title.*

1 **§220106. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 2 **badges**

3 *The corporation and its councils, organizations, chapters, and affiliates*
 4 *have the exclusive right to use the names “United Service Organizations, In-*
 5 *corporated” and “USO” and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation*
 6 *adopts.*

7 **§220107. Assistance by Department of Defense**

8 *The Secretary of Defense may make the resources of the Department of De-*
 9 *fense available to the corporation to the extent compatible with the primary*
 10 *mission of the Department and in accordance with guidelines issued by the*
 11 *Secretary.*

12 **§220108. Restrictions**

13 (a) *PROFIT.*—*The corporation may not engage in business activity for prof-*
 14 *it unless the activity is substantially related to—*

15 (1) *the purposes stated in section 220102 of this title; or*

16 (2) *raising funds to accomplish those purposes.*

17 (b) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
 18 *clare or pay a dividend.*

19 (c) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation shall be nonpolitical and may*
 20 *not provide financial aid or assistance to, or otherwise promote the candidacy*
 21 *of, an individual seeking elective public office. A substantial part of the ac-*
 22 *tivities of the corporation may not involve carrying on propaganda or other-*
 23 *wise attempting to influence legislation.*

24 (d) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the*
 25 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of a governor, officer, member, or*
 26 *employee or be distributed to any person during the life of the corporation*
 27 *or on its dissolution or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the*
 28 *payment of reasonable compensation to an officer, employee, or other person*
 29 *or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by the*
 30 *board of governors.*

31 (e) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan to a governor, officer,*
 32 *member, or employee.*

33 **§220109. Duty to maintain corporate status**

34 *The corporation shall maintain its status as a corporation incorporated*
 35 *under the laws of New York, another State, or the District of Columbia.*

36 **§220110. Principal office**

37 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in New York, New York,*
 38 *or another place decided by the board of governors. However, the activities*
 39 *of the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is*
 40 *located but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and posses-*
 41 *sions of the United States and in foreign countries.*

1 **§220111. Records and inspection**

2 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

3 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

4 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of governors, and*
 5 *committees having any of the authority of its board of governors; and*

6 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 7 *members entitled to vote.*

8 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may*
 9 *inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-*
 10 *able time.*

11 **§220112. Service of process**

12 (a) *DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.*—*The corporation shall have a designated*
 13 *agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corpora-*
 14 *tion. Notice to or service on the agent, or mailed to the business address of*
 15 *the agent, is notice to or service on the corporation.*

16 (b) *STATES, TERRITORIES, AND POSSESSIONS.*—*The corporation shall file,*
 17 *with the secretary of state or other designated official of each State, territory,*
 18 *or possession of the United States in which the corporation or a council, orga-*
 19 *nization, chapter, or affiliate may have activities, the name and address of*
 20 *an agent in that State, territory, or possession on whom legal process or de-*
 21 *mands against the corporation may be served.*

22 **§220113. Annual report**

23 *The corporation shall make public an annual report on its activities for*
 24 *the prior calendar year.*

25 **§220114. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-**
 26 **uidation**

27 *On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining*
 28 *after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the*
 29 *board of governors, but in compliance with the bylaws. However, the assets*
 30 *of the corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable purposes and may*
 31 *not inure to the benefit of a private person except a fund, foundation, or orga-*
 32 *nization operated exclusively for charitable purposes.*

33 **CHAPTER 2203—UNITED STATES CAPITOL HISTORICAL**
 34 **SOCIETY**

Sec.

220301. *Organization.*

220302. *Purposes.*

220303. *Membership.*

220304. *Governing body.*

220305. *Powers.*

220306. *Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, insignia, marks, and words.*

220307. *Tax exemption.*

220308. *Restrictions.*

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1 **§220301. Organization**

2 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*United States Capitol Historical Society (in this*
3 *chapter, the “corporation”)* is a federally chartered corporation.

4 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION.*—*The corporation is declared to be incor-*
5 *porated in the District of Columbia.*

6 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
7 *tion has perpetual existence.*

8 **§220302. Purposes**

9 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

10 (1) *to encourage in the most comprehensive and enlightened manner*
11 *an understanding by the American people of the founding, growth, and*
12 *significance of the Capitol of the United States as the tangible symbol*
13 *of their representative form of government;*

14 (2) *to undertake research into the history of the Congress and the Cap-*
15 *itol and to promote discussion, publication, and dissemination of the re-*
16 *sults of this research;*

17 (3) *to foster and increase an informed patriotism among the citizens*
18 *in the study of this living memorial to the founders of this Nation and*
19 *the continuing thread of principles as exemplified by their successors;*
20 *and*

21 (4) *to cooperate with the standing committees of Congress, the Library*
22 *of Congress, the Architect of the Capitol, and relevant departments, agen-*
23 *cies, and instrumentalities of the executive branch of the United States*
24 *Government in carrying out the purposes of the corporation.*

25 **§220303. Membership**

26 *Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the cor-*
27 *poration and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the con-*
28 *stitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

29 **§220304. Governing body**

30 (a) *BOARD OF TRUSTEES.*—(1) *The board of trustees is the governing body*
31 *of the corporation. The board is responsible for the control of all funds and*
32 *affairs of the corporation.*

33 (2) *Exclusive of ex officio and honorary members, the board shall consist*
34 *of at least 12 but not more than 40 trustees, one of whom shall be elected*
35 *chairman. Trustees shall be elected by the board of trustees, for a term of 4*
36 *years. A trustee may not be reelected as a trustee within one year of the expi-*
37 *ration of the prior term, except by the unanimous vote of the trustees present*

1 *and voting. A trustee may be removed at any time, with or without cause,*
2 *by a two-thirds vote of the other trustees.*

3 *(3) The officers of the corporation are ex officio members of the board with*
4 *all the rights and privileges of trustees, including the right to vote.*

5 *(4) The board shall meet at least once a year in the Capitol of the United*
6 *States. The board may meet at other times as decided by the chairman. A*
7 *meeting may be held only at a time and place stated in the bylaws or on*
8 *30 days' written notice.*

9 *(b) OFFICERS.—(1) The officers of the corporation are a president, 5 vice*
10 *presidents, a treasurer, and a secretary. The president is the chief executive*
11 *officer.*

12 *(2) The officers shall be elected annually by the board of trustees and con-*
13 *tinue in office at the pleasure of the board.*

14 *(3) The duties of the officers are the usual duties pertaining to their offices*
15 *and any additional duties delegated by the board.*

16 *(4) Officers may be compensated for their services, and reimbursed for ac-*
17 *tual expenses, in amounts decided by the board.*

18 *(c) EMPLOYEES.—The board of trustees may employ an executive secretary*
19 *and other personnel needed to assist the board and the officers to carry out*
20 *the activities of the corporation. Employees serve at the pleasure of the board.*
21 *The board shall prescribe the compensation and duties of employees.*

22 **§220305. Powers**

23 *The corporation may—*

24 *(1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management*
25 *of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

26 *(2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

27 *(3) choose officers, managers, and agents as the activities of the cor-*
28 *poration require;*

29 *(4) make contracts;*

30 *(5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
31 *or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

32 *(6) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
33 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

34 *(7) produce, buy, and market commemorative medals, souvenirs, publi-*
35 *cations, pictures, and cinemas consistent with the purposes of the cor-*
36 *poration;*

37 *(8) charge and collect membership dues;*

38 *(9) conduct fund raising campaigns and accept contributions;*

39 *(10) sue and be sued; and*

40 *(11) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
41 *of the corporation.*

1 **§220306. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, insignia,**
2 **marks, and words**

3 *The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “United States*
4 *Capitol Historical Society” and seals, emblems, distinctive insignia, and de-*
5 *scriptive or designating marks, words, or phrases required to carry out the*
6 *duties and powers of the corporation. This section does not affect any vested*
7 *rights.*

8 **§220307. Tax exemption**

9 *Notwithstanding section 105 of title 4 of the United States Code or any*
10 *provision of the District of Columbia Code, the corporation is not required*
11 *to pay, collect, or account for any tax specified in those provisions in connec-*
12 *tion with activities conducted within, or on the grounds of, the United States*
13 *Capitol Building.*

14 **§220308. Restrictions**

15 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or de-*
16 *clare or pay a dividend.*

17 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the*
18 *corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a trustee,*
19 *officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolu-*
20 *tion or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of rea-*
21 *sonable compensation to an officer or employee or reimbursement for actual*
22 *expenses in amounts approved by the board of trustees.*

23 (c) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a trustee,*
24 *officer, or employee. Trustees who vote for or assent to making a loan or ad-*
25 *vance to a trustee, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in mak-*
26 *ing the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation*
27 *for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

28 **§220309. Duty to maintain corporate status**

29 *The corporation shall maintain its status as a corporation incorporated*
30 *under the laws of the District of Columbia or a State.*

31 **§220310. Principal office**

32 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia*
33 *or another place decided by the board of trustees. However, the activities of*
34 *the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is lo-*
35 *cated but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions*
36 *of the United States.*

37 **§220311. Records and inspection**

38 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

39 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

40 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of trustees, and*
41 *committees having any of the authority of its board of trustees; and*

1 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
2 members entitled to vote.

3 (b) *INSPECTION*.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
4 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
5 at any reasonable time.

6 **§220312. Service of process**

7 The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia
8 to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the
9 agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service
10 on the corporation.

11 **§220313. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

12 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within
13 the scope of their authority.

14 **§220314. Annual report and audit**

15 (a) *ANNUAL REPORT*.—The corporation shall submit an annual report to
16 each House of Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior
17 fiscal year. The report shall be submitted as soon as practical after the end
18 of each fiscal year.

19 (b) *AUDIT*.—In addition to complying with the audit requirements of sec-
20 tion 10101 of this title, the corporation shall comply with section 451 of the
21 Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 (40 U.S.C. 193m–1).

22 **§220315. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liq-
23 uidation**

24 On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining
25 after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the
26 board of trustees, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the
27 corporation.

28 **CHAPTER 2205—UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE**

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1 (3) to exercise exclusive jurisdiction, directly or through constituent
2 members of committees, over—

3 (A) all matters pertaining to United States participation in the
4 Olympic Games and the Pan-American Games, including represen-
5 tation of the United States in the games; and

6 (B) the organization of the Olympic Games and the Pan-Amer-
7 ican Games when held in the United States;

8 (4) to obtain for the United States, directly or by delegation to the
9 appropriate national governing body, the most competent amateur rep-
10 resentation possible in each event of the Olympic Games and Pan-Amer-
11 ican Games;

12 (5) to promote and support amateur athletic activities involving the
13 United States and foreign nations;

14 (6) to promote and encourage physical fitness and public participa-
15 tion in amateur athletic activities;

16 (7) to assist organizations and persons concerned with sports in the
17 development of amateur athletic programs for amateur athletes;

18 (8) to provide swift resolution of conflicts and disputes involving ama-
19 teur athletes, national governing bodies, and amateur sports organiza-
20 tions, and protect the opportunity of any amateur athlete, coach, trainer,
21 manager, administrator, or official to participate in amateur athletic
22 competition;

23 (9) to foster the development of amateur athletic facilities for use by
24 amateur athletes and assist in making existing amateur athletic facilities
25 available for use by amateur athletes;

26 (10) to provide and coordinate technical information on physical
27 training, equipment design, coaching, and performance analysis;

28 (11) to encourage and support research, development, and dissemina-
29 tion of information in the areas of sports medicine and sports safety;

30 (12) to encourage and provide assistance to amateur athletic activities
31 for women;

32 (13) to encourage and provide assistance to amateur athletic programs
33 and competition for individuals with disabilities, including, where fea-
34 sible, the expansion of opportunities for meaningful participation by in-
35 dividuals with disabilities in programs of athletic competition for able-
36 bodied individuals; and

37 (14) to encourage and provide assistance to amateur athletes of racial
38 and ethnic minorities for the purpose of eliciting the participation of
39 those minorities in amateur athletic activities in which they are under-
40 represented.

1 **§220504. Membership**

2 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*Eligibility for membership in the corporation is as pro-*
3 *vided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.*

4 (b) *REQUIRED PROVISIONS FOR REPRESENTATION.*—*In its constitution*
5 *and bylaws, the corporation shall establish and maintain provisions with re-*
6 *spect to its governance and the conduct of its affairs for reasonable representa-*
7 *tion of—*

8 (1) *amateur sports organizations recognized as national governing*
9 *bodies under section 220521 of this title;*

10 (2) *amateur athletes who are actively engaged in amateur athletic*
11 *competition or who have represented the United States in international*
12 *amateur athletic competition within the preceding 10 years;*

13 (3) *amateur sports organizations that conduct a national program or*
14 *regular national amateur athletic competition in 2 or more sports that*
15 *are included on the program of the Olympic Games or the Pan-American*
16 *Games on a level of proficiency appropriate for the selection of amateur*
17 *athletes to represent the United States in international amateur athletic*
18 *competition; and*

19 (4) *individuals not affiliated or associated with any amateur sports*
20 *organization who, in the corporation's judgment, represent the interests*
21 *of the American public in the activities of the corporation.*

22 **§220505. Powers**

23 (a) *CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS.*—*The corporation shall adopt a constitu-*
24 *tion and bylaws. The corporation may amend its constitution only if the cor-*
25 *poration—*

26 (1) *publishes, in its principal publication, a notice of the proposed*
27 *amendment, including—*

28 (A) *the substantive terms of the amendment;*

29 (B) *the time and place of the corporation's regular meeting at*
30 *which adoption of the amendment is to be decided; and*

31 (C) *a provision informing interested persons that they may sub-*
32 *mit materials as authorized in clause (2) of this subsection; and*

33 (2) *gives all interested persons an opportunity to submit written com-*
34 *ments and information for at least 60 days after publication of notice*
35 *of the proposed amendment and before adoption of the amendment.*

36 (b) *GENERAL CORPORATE POWERS.*—*The corporation may—*

37 (1) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

38 (2) *establish and maintain offices to conduct the affairs of the corpora-*
39 *tion;*

40 (3) *make contracts;*

1 (4) *accept gifts, legacies, and devises in furtherance of its corporate*
2 *purposes;*

3 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary*
4 *to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

5 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its ob-*
6 *ligations by granting security interests in its property;*

7 (7) *publish a magazine, newspaper, and other publications consistent*
8 *with its corporate purposes;*

9 (8) *approve and revoke membership in the corporation;*

10 (9) *sue and be sued; and*

11 (10) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes*
12 *of the corporation.*

13 (c) *POWERS RELATED TO AMATEUR ATHLETICS AND THE OLYMPIC*
14 *GAMES.—The corporation may—*

15 (1) *serve as the coordinating body for amateur athletic activity in the*
16 *United States directly related to international amateur athletic competi-*
17 *tion;*

18 (2) *represent the United States as its national Olympic committee in*
19 *relations with the International Olympic Committee and the Pan-Amer-*
20 *ican Sports Organization;*

21 (3) *organize, finance, and control the representation of the United*
22 *States in the competitions and events of the Olympic Games and of the*
23 *Pan-American Games, and obtain, directly or by delegation to the ap-*
24 *propriate national governing body, amateur representation for those*
25 *games;*

26 (4) *recognize eligible amateur sports organizations as national govern-*
27 *ing bodies for any sport that is included on the program of the Olympic*
28 *Games or the Pan-American Games;*

29 (5) *facilitate, through orderly and effective administrative procedures,*
30 *the resolution of conflicts or disputes that involve any of its members and*
31 *any amateur athlete, coach, trainer, manager, administrator, official,*
32 *national governing body, or amateur sports organization and that arise*
33 *in connection with their eligibility for and participation in the Olympic*
34 *Games, the Pan-American world championship competition, or other*
35 *protected competition as defined in the constitution and bylaws of the*
36 *corporation; and*

37 (6) *provide financial assistance to any organization or association, ex-*
38 *cept a corporation organized for profit, in furtherance of the purposes*
39 *of the corporation.*

1 **§220506. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and**
 2 **badges**

3 (a) *EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF CORPORATION.*—*Except as provided in sub-*
 4 *section (d) of this section, the corporation has the exclusive right to use—*

5 (1) *the name “United States Olympic Committee”;*

6 (2) *the symbol of the International Olympic Committee, consisting of*
 7 *5 interlocking rings;*

8 (3) *the emblem of the corporation, consisting of an escutcheon having*
 9 *a blue chief and vertically extending red and white bars on the base with*
 10 *5 interlocking rings displayed on the chief; and*

11 (4) *the words “Olympic”, “Olympiad”, “Citius Altius Fortius”, or*
 12 *any combination of those words.*

13 (b) *CONTRIBUTORS AND SUPPLIERS.*—*The corporation may authorize con-*
 14 *tributors and suppliers of goods or services to use the trade name of the cor-*
 15 *poration or any trademark, symbol, insignia, or emblem of the International*
 16 *Olympic Committee or of the corporation to advertise that the contributions,*
 17 *goods, or services were donated or supplied to, or approved, selected, or used*
 18 *by, the corporation, the United States Olympic team, the Pan-American team,*
 19 *or team members.*

20 (c) *CIVIL ACTION FOR UNAUTHORIZED USE.*—*Except as provided in sub-*
 21 *section (d) of this section, the corporation may file a civil action against a*
 22 *person for the remedies provided in the Act of July 5, 1946 (15 U.S.C. 1051*
 23 *et seq.) (popularly known as the Trademark Act of 1946) if the person, with-*
 24 *out the consent of the corporation, uses for the purpose of trade, to induce*
 25 *the sale of any goods or services, or to promote any theatrical exhibition, ath-*
 26 *letic performance, or competition—*

27 (1) *the symbol described in subsection (a)(2) of this section;*

28 (2) *the emblem described in subsection (a)(3) of this section;*

29 (3) *the words described in subsection (a)(4) of this section, or any*
 30 *combination or simulation of those words tending to cause confusion or*
 31 *mistake, to deceive, or to falsely suggest a connection with the corpora-*
 32 *tion or any Olympic activity; or*

33 (4) *any trademark, trade name, sign, symbol, or insignia falsely rep-*
 34 *resenting association with, or authorization by, the International Olym-*
 35 *pic Committee or the corporation.*

36 (d) *PRE-EXISTING RIGHTS.*—(1) *A person who actually used the emblem*
 37 *described in subsection (a)(3) of this section, or the words or any combination*
 38 *of the words described in subsection (a)(4) of this section, for any lawful pur-*
 39 *pose before September 21, 1950, is not prohibited by this section from continu-*
 40 *ing the lawful use for the same purpose and for the same goods or services.*

1 (2) *A person who actually used, or whose assignor actually used, the words*
2 *or any combination of the words described in subsection (a)(4) of this section,*
3 *or a trademark, trade name, sign, symbol, or insignia described in subsection*
4 *(c)(4) of this section, for any lawful purpose before September 21, 1950, is*
5 *not prohibited by this section from continuing the lawful use for the same*
6 *purpose and for the same goods or services.*

7 **§220507. Restrictions**

8 (a) *PROFIT AND STOCK.*—*The corporation may not engage in business for*
9 *profit or issue stock.*

10 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation shall be nonpolitical and may*
11 *not promote the candidacy of an individual seeking public office.*

12 **§220508. Headquarters, principal office, and meetings**

13 *The corporation shall maintain its principal office and national head-*
14 *quarters in a place in the United States decided by the corporation. The cor-*
15 *poration may hold its annual and special meetings in the places decided by*
16 *the corporation.*

17 **§220509. Resolution of disputes**

18 *The corporation shall establish and maintain provisions in its constitution*
19 *and bylaws for the swift and equitable resolution of disputes involving any*
20 *of its members and relating to the opportunity of an amateur athlete, coach,*
21 *trainer, manager, administrator, or official to participate in the Olympic*
22 *Games, the Pan-American Games, world championship competition, or other*
23 *protected competition as defined in the constitution and bylaws of the cor-*
24 *poration.*

25 **§220510. Service of process**

26 *As a condition to the exercise of any power or privilege granted by this*
27 *chapter, the corporation shall file, with the secretary of state or other des-*
28 *ignated official of each State, the name and address of an agent in that State*
29 *on whom legal process or demands against the corporation may be served.*

30 **§220511. Annual report**

31 (a) *SUBMISSION TO PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS.*—*Not later than June 1*
32 *of each year, the corporation shall submit simultaneously to the President and*
33 *to each House of Congress a detailed report of its operations during the prior*
34 *calendar year, including—*

35 (1) *a complete statement of the corporation's receipts and expendi-*
36 *tures; and*

37 (2) *a comprehensive description of the activities and accomplishments*
38 *of the corporation during the prior year.*

39 (b) *AVAILABILITY TO PUBLIC.*—*The corporation shall make copies of the re-*
40 *port available to interested persons at a reasonable cost.*

SUBCHAPTER II—NATIONAL GOVERNING BODIES

§ 220521. Recognition of amateur sports organizations as national governing bodies

(a) *GENERAL AUTHORITY.*—For any sport that is included on the program of the Olympic Games or the Pan-American Games, the corporation may recognize as a national governing body an amateur sports organization that files an application and is eligible under section 220522 of this title. The corporation may recognize only one national governing body for each sport for which an application is made and approved.

(b) *PUBLIC HEARING.*—Before recognizing an organization as a national governing body, the corporation shall hold a public hearing on the application. The corporation shall publish notice of the time, place, and nature of the hearing. Publication shall be made in a regular issue of the corporation's principal publication at least 30 days, but not more than 60 days, before the date of the hearing.

(c) *RECOMMENDATION TO INTERNATIONAL SPORTS FEDERATION.*—Within 61 days after recognizing an organization as a national governing body, the corporation shall recommend and support in any appropriate manner the national governing body to the appropriate international sports federation as the representative of the United States for that sport.

(d) *REVIEW OF RECOGNITION.*—The corporation may review all matters related to the continued recognition of an organization as a national governing body and may take action it considers appropriate, including placing conditions on the continued recognition.

§ 220522. Eligibility requirements

An amateur sports organization is eligible to be recognized, or to continue to be recognized, as a national governing body only if it—

(1) is incorporated under the laws of a State of the United States or the District of Columbia as a not-for-profit corporation having as its purpose the advancement of amateur athletic competition;

(2) has the managerial and financial capability to plan and execute its obligations;

(3) submits—

(A) an application, in the form required by the corporation, for recognition as a national governing body;

(B) a copy of its corporate charter and bylaws; and

(C) any additional information considered necessary or appropriate by the corporation;

(4) agrees to submit, on demand by the corporation, to binding arbitration conducted in accordance with the commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association in any controversy involving—

1 (A) its recognition as a national governing body, as provided for
2 in section 220529 of this title; or

3 (B) the opportunity of any amateur athlete, coach, trainer, man-
4 ager, administrator, or official to participate in amateur athletic
5 competition, as provided for in the corporation's constitution and
6 bylaws;

7 (5) demonstrates that it is autonomous in the governance of its sport,
8 in that it—

9 (A) independently decides and controls all matters central to gov-
10 ernance;

11 (B) does not delegate decision-making and control of matters
12 central to governance; and

13 (C) is free from outside restraint;

14 (6) demonstrates that it is a member of no more than one inter-
15 national sports federation that governs a sport included on the program
16 of the Olympic Games or the Pan-American Games;

17 (7) demonstrates that its membership is open to any individual who
18 is an amateur athlete, coach, trainer, manager, administrator, or official
19 active in the sport for which recognition is sought, or any amateur sports
20 organization that conducts programs in the sport for which recognition
21 is sought, or both;

22 (8) provides an equal opportunity to amateur athletes, coaches, trainers,
23 managers, administrators, and officials to participate in amateur
24 athletic competition, without discrimination on the basis of race, color,
25 religion, sex, age, or national origin, and with fair notice and oppor-
26 tunity for a hearing to any amateur athlete, coach, trainer, manager,
27 administrator, or official before declaring the individual ineligible to
28 participate;

29 (9) is governed by a board of directors or other governing board whose
30 members are selected without regard to race, color, religion, national ori-
31 gin, or sex, except that, in sports where there are separate male and fe-
32 male programs, it provides for reasonable representation of both males
33 and females on the board of directors or other governing board;

34 (10) demonstrates that—

35 (A) its board of directors or other governing board includes
36 among its voting members—

37 (i) individuals who are actively engaged in amateur athletic
38 competition in the sport for which recognition is sought; or

39 (ii) individuals who, within the prior 10 years, have rep-
40 resented the United States in international amateur athletic
41 competition in the sport for which recognition is sought; and

1 (B) the individuals described in subclause (A) of this clause hold
2 at least 20 percent of the membership and voting power on the
3 board;

4 (11) provides for reasonable direct representation on its board of direc-
5 tors or other governing board for any amateur sports organization
6 that—

7 (A) conducts a national program or regular national amateur
8 athletic competition in the applicable sport on a level of proficiency
9 appropriate for the selection of amateur athletes to represent the
10 United States in international amateur athletic competition; and

11 (B) ensures that the representation reflects the nature, scope,
12 quality, and strength of the programs and competitions of the ama-
13 teur sports organization in relation to all other programs and com-
14 petitions in the sport in the United States;

15 (12) demonstrates that none of its officers are also officers of any other
16 amateur sports organization recognized as a national governing body;

17 (13) provides procedures for the prompt and equitable resolution of
18 grievances of its members;

19 (14) does not have eligibility criteria related to amateur status that
20 are more restrictive than those of the appropriate international sports
21 federation; and

22 (15) demonstrates, if the organization is seeking to be recognized as
23 a national governing body, that it is prepared to meet the obligations
24 imposed on a national governing body under sections 220524 and
25 220525 of this title.

26 **§220523. Authority of national governing bodies**

27 (a) *AUTHORITY.*—For the sport that it governs, a national governing body
28 may—

29 (1) represent the United States in the appropriate international sports
30 federation;

31 (2) establish national goals and encourage the attainment of those
32 goals;

33 (3) serve as the coordinating body for amateur athletic activity in the
34 United States;

35 (4) exercise jurisdiction over international amateur athletic activities
36 and sanction international amateur athletic competition held in the
37 United States and sanction the sponsorship of international amateur
38 athletic competition held outside the United States;

39 (5) conduct amateur athletic competition, including national cham-
40 pionships, and international amateur athletic competition in the United
41 States, and establish procedures for determining eligibility standards for

1 participation in competition, except for amateur athletic competition
2 specified in section 220526 of this title;

3 (6) recommend to the corporation individuals and teams to represent
4 the United States in the Olympic Games and the Pan-American Games;
5 and

6 (7) designate individuals and teams to represent the United States in
7 international amateur athletic competition (other than the Olympic
8 Games and the Pan-American Games) and certify, in accordance with
9 applicable international rules, the amateur eligibility of those individ-
10 uals and teams.

11 (b) **REPLACEMENT OF NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY PURSUANT TO ARBI-**
12 **TRATION.**—A national governing body may not exercise any authority under
13 subsection (a) of this section for a particular sport after another amateur
14 sports organization has been declared (in accordance with binding arbitration
15 proceedings prescribed by the organic documents of the corporation) entitled
16 to replace that national governing body as the member of the corporation for
17 that sport.

18 **§220524. General duties of national governing bodies**

19 *For the sport that it governs, a national governing body shall—*

20 (1) develop interest and participation throughout the United States
21 and be responsible to the persons and amateur sports organizations it
22 represents;

23 (2) minimize, through coordination with other amateur sports organi-
24 zations, conflicts in the scheduling of all practices and competitions;

25 (3) keep amateur athletes informed of policy matters and reasonably
26 reflect the views of the athletes in its policy decisions;

27 (4) allow an amateur athlete to compete in any international amateur
28 athletic competition conducted by any amateur sports organization or
29 person, unless the national governing body establishes that its denial is
30 based on evidence that the organization or person conducting the com-
31 petition does not meet the requirements stated in section 220525 of this
32 title;

33 (5) provide equitable support and encouragement for participation by
34 women where separate programs for male and female athletes are con-
35 ducted on a national basis;

36 (6) encourage and support amateur athletic sports programs for indi-
37 viduals with disabilities and the participation of individuals with dis-
38 abilities in amateur athletic activity, including, where feasible, the ex-
39 pansion of opportunities for meaningful participation by individuals
40 with disabilities in programs of athletic competition for able-bodied indi-
41 viduals;

1 (7) provide and coordinate technical information on physical training,
2 equipment design, coaching, and performance analysis; and

3 (8) encourage and support research, development, and dissemination
4 of information in the areas of sports medicine and sports safety.

5 **§220525. Granting sanctions for amateur athletic competi-**
6 **tions**

7 (a) *PROMPT REVIEW AND DECISION.*—For the sport that it governs, a na-
8 tional governing body promptly shall—

9 (1) review a request by an amateur sports organization or person for
10 a sanction to hold an international amateur athletic competition in the
11 United States or to sponsor United States amateur athletes to compete
12 in international amateur athletic competition outside the United States;
13 and

14 (2) grant the sanction if—

15 (A) the national governing body does not decide by clear and con-
16 vincing evidence that holding or sponsoring an international ama-
17 teur athletic competition would be detrimental to the best interest
18 of the sport; and

19 (B) the requirements of subsection (b) of this section are met.

20 (b) *REQUIREMENTS.*—An amateur sports organization or person may be
21 granted a sanction under this section only if the organization or person meets
22 the following requirements:

23 (1) The organization or person must pay the national governing body
24 any required sanctioning fee, if the fee is reasonable and nondiscrim-
25 inatory.

26 (2) For a sanction to hold an international amateur athletic competi-
27 tion in the United States, the organization or person must—

28 (A) submit to the national governing body an audited or nota-
29 rized financial report of similar events, if any, conducted by the or-
30 ganization or person; and

31 (B) demonstrate that the requirements of paragraph (4) of this
32 subsection have been met.

33 (3) For a sanction to sponsor United States amateur athletes to com-
34 pete in international amateur athletic competition outside the United
35 States, the organization or person must—

36 (A) submit a report of the most recent trip to a foreign country,
37 if any, that the organization or person sponsored for the purpose
38 of having United States amateur athletes compete in international
39 amateur athletic competition; and

1 (B) submit a letter from the appropriate entity that will hold the
2 international amateur athletic competition certifying that the re-
3 quirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection have been met.

4 (4) The requirements referred to in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this sub-
5 section are that—

6 (A) appropriate measures have been taken to protect the amateur
7 status of athletes who will take part in the competition and to pro-
8 tect their eligibility to compete in amateur athletic competition;

9 (B) appropriate provision has been made for validation of any
10 records established during the competition;

11 (C) due regard has been given to any international amateur ath-
12 letic requirements specifically applicable to the competition;

13 (D) the competition will be conducted by qualified officials;

14 (E) proper medical supervision will be provided for athletes who
15 will participate in the competition; and

16 (F) proper safety precautions have been taken to protect the per-
17 sonal welfare of the athletes and spectators at the competition.

18 **§220526. Restricted amateur athletic competitions**

19 (a) *EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION.*—An amateur sports organization that con-
20 ducts amateur athletic competition shall have exclusive jurisdiction over that
21 competition if participation is restricted to a specific class of amateur ath-
22 letes, such as high school students, college students, members of the Armed
23 Forces, or similar groups or categories.

24 (b) *SANCTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION.*—An amateur sports or-
25 ganization under subsection (a) of this section shall obtain a sanction from
26 the appropriate national governing body if the organization wishes to—

27 (1) conduct international amateur athletic competition in the United
28 States; or

29 (2) sponsor international amateur athletic competition to be held out-
30 side the United States.

31 **§220527. Complaints against national governing bodies**

32 (a) *GENERAL.*—(1) An amateur sports organization or person that belongs
33 to or is eligible to belong to a national governing body may seek to compel
34 the national governing body to comply with sections 220522, 220524, and
35 220525 of this title by filing a written complaint with the corporation. A
36 copy of the complaint shall be served on the national governing body.

37 (2) The corporation shall establish procedures for the filing and disposition
38 of complaints under this section.

39 (b) *EXHAUSTION OF REMEDIES.*—(1) An organization or person may file
40 a complaint under subsection (a) of this section only after exhausting all
41 available remedies within the national governing body for correcting defi-

1 *ciencies, unless it can be shown by clear and convincing evidence that those*
2 *remedies would have resulted in unnecessary delay.*

3 *(2) Within 30 days after a complaint is filed, the corporation shall decide*
4 *whether the organization or person has exhausted all available remedies as*
5 *required by paragraph (1) of this subsection. If the corporation determines*
6 *that the remedies have not been exhausted, it may direct that the remedies*
7 *be pursued before the corporation considers the complaint further.*

8 *(c) HEARINGS.—If the corporation decides that all available remedies have*
9 *been exhausted as required by subsection (b)(1) of this section, it shall hold*
10 *a hearing, within 90 days after the complaint is filed, to receive testimony*
11 *to decide whether the national governing body is complying with sections*
12 *220522, 220524, and 220525 of this title.*

13 *(d) DISPOSITION OF COMPLAINT.—(1) If the corporation decides, as a re-*
14 *sult of the hearing, that the national governing body is complying with sec-*
15 *tions 220522, 220524, and 220525 of this title, it shall so notify the complain-*
16 *ant and the national governing body.*

17 *(2) If the corporation decides, as a result of the hearing, that the national*
18 *governing body is not complying with sections 220522, 220524, and 220525*
19 *of this title, it shall—*

20 *(A) place the national governing body on probation for a specified pe-*
21 *riod of time, not to exceed 180 days, which the corporation considers nec-*
22 *essary to enable the national governing body to comply with those sec-*
23 *tions; or*

24 *(B) revoke the recognition of the national governing body.*

25 *(3) If the corporation places a national governing body on probation under*
26 *paragraph (2) of this subsection, it may extend the probationary period if*
27 *the national governing body has proven by clear and convincing evidence*
28 *that, through no fault of its own, it needs additional time to comply with*
29 *sections 220522, 220524, and 220525 of this title. If, at the end of the period*
30 *allowed by the corporation, the national governing body has not complied*
31 *with those sections, the corporation shall revoke the recognition of the national*
32 *governing body.*

33 **§220528. Applications to replace an incumbent national gov-**
34 **erning body**

35 *(a) GENERAL.—An amateur sports organization may seek to replace an in-*
36 *cumbent as the national governing body for a particular sport by filing a*
37 *written application for recognition with the corporation.*

38 *(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROCEDURES.—The corporation shall establish*
39 *procedures for the filing and disposition of applications under this section.*
40 *If 2 or more organizations file applications for the same sport, the applica-*
41 *tions shall be considered in a single proceeding.*

1 (c) *FILING PROCEDURES.*—(1) *An application under this section must be*
2 *filed within one year after the final day of—*

3 (A) *any Olympic Games, for a sport in which competition is held in*
4 *the Olympic Games or both the Olympic and Pan-American Games; or*

5 (B) *any Pan-American Games, for a sport in which competition is*
6 *held in the Pan-American Games but not in the Olympic Games.*

7 (2) *The application shall be filed with the corporation by registered mail,*
8 *and a copy of the application shall be served on the national governing body.*
9 *The corporation shall inform the applicant that its application has been re-*
10 *ceived.*

11 (d) *HEARINGS.*—*Within 180 days after receipt of an application filed*
12 *under this section, the corporation shall conduct a formal hearing to deter-*
13 *mine the merits of the application. The corporation shall publish notice of*
14 *the time and place of the hearing in a regular issue of its principal publica-*
15 *tion at least 30 days, but not more than 60 days, before the date of the hear-*
16 *ing. In the hearing, the applicant and the national governing body shall be*
17 *given a reasonable opportunity to present evidence supporting their positions.*

18 (e) *STANDARDS FOR GRANTING APPLICATIONS.*—*In the hearing, the appli-*
19 *cant must establish by a preponderance of the evidence that—*

20 (1) *it meets the criteria for recognition as a national governing body*
21 *under section 220522 of this title; and*

22 (2)(A) *the national governing body does not meet the criteria of section*
23 *220522, 220524, or 220525 of this title; or*

24 (B) *the applicant more adequately meets the criteria of section 220522*
25 *of this title, is capable of more adequately meeting the criteria of sections*
26 *220524 and 220525 of this title, and provides or is capable of providing*
27 *a more effective national program of competition than the national gov-*
28 *erning body in the sport for which it seeks recognition.*

29 (f) *DISPOSITION OF APPLICATIONS.*—*Within 30 days after the close of the*
30 *hearing required by this section, the corporation shall—*

31 (1) *uphold the right of the national governing body to continue as the*
32 *national governing body for its sport;*

33 (2) *revoke the recognition of the national governing body and declare*
34 *a vacancy in the national governing body for that sport;*

35 (3) *revoke the recognition of the national governing body and recognize*
36 *the applicant as the national governing body; or*

37 (4) *place the national governing body on probation for a period not*
38 *exceeding 180 days, pending the compliance of the national governing*
39 *body, if the national governing body would have retained recognition ex-*
40 *cept for a minor deficiency in one of the requirements of section 220522,*
41 *220524, or 220525 of this title.*

1 (g) *REVOCATION OF RECOGNITION AFTER PROBATION.*—If the national
2 governing body does not comply with sections 220522, 220524, and 220525
3 of this title within the probationary period prescribed under subsection (f)(4)
4 of this section, the corporation shall revoke the recognition of the national gov-
5 erning body and either—

6 (1) recognize the applicant as the national governing body; or

7 (2) declare a vacancy in the national governing body for that sport.

8 **§220529. Arbitration of corporation determinations**

9 (a) *RIGHT TO REVIEW.*—A party aggrieved by a determination of the cor-
10 poration under section 220527 or 220528 of this title may obtain review by
11 any regional office of the American Arbitration Association.

12 (b) *PROCEDURE.*—(1) A demand for arbitration must be submitted within
13 30 days after the determination of the corporation.

14 (2) On receipt of a demand for arbitration, the Association shall serve no-
15 tice on the parties to the arbitration and on the corporation, and shall imme-
16 diately proceed with arbitration according to the commercial rules of the As-
17 sociation in effect at the time the demand is filed, except that—

18 (A) the arbitration panel shall consist of at least 3 arbitrators, unless
19 the parties to the proceeding agree to a lesser number;

20 (B) the arbitration hearing shall take place at a site selected by the
21 Association, unless the parties to the proceeding agree to the use of an-
22 other site; and

23 (C) the arbitration hearing shall be open to the public.

24 (3) A decision by the arbitrators shall be by majority vote unless the con-
25 currence of all arbitrators is expressly required by the contesting parties.

26 (4) Each party may be represented by counsel or by any other authorized
27 representative at the arbitration proceeding.

28 (5) The parties may offer any evidence they desire and shall produce any
29 additional evidence the arbitrators believe is necessary to an understanding
30 and determination of the dispute. The arbitrators shall be the sole judges of
31 the relevancy and materiality of the evidence offered. Conformity to legal rules
32 of evidence is not necessary.

33 (c) *SETTLEMENT.*—The arbitrators may settle a dispute arising under this
34 chapter before making a final award, if agreed to by the parties and achieved
35 in a manner not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws of the corpora-
36 tion.

37 (d) *BINDING NATURE OF DECISION.*—Final decision of the arbitrators is
38 binding on the parties if the award is not inconsistent with the constitution
39 and bylaws of the corporation.

1 (e) *REOPENING HEARINGS.*—(1) *At any time before a final decision is*
 2 *made, the hearings may be reopened by the arbitrators on their own motion*
 3 *or on the motion of a party.*

4 (2) *If the reopening is based on the motion of a party, and if the reopening*
 5 *would result in the arbitrators' decision being delayed beyond the specific pe-*
 6 *riod agreed to at the beginning of the arbitration proceedings, all parties to*
 7 *the decision must agree to reopen the hearings.*

8 **CHAPTER 2207—UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS**
 9 **OF WORLD WAR II**

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10 **§220701. Definition**

11 *For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and*
 12 *the territories and possessions of the United States.*

13 **§220702. Organization**

14 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*United States Submarine Veterans of World War*
 15 *II (in this chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated*
 16 *in New Jersey and Colorado, is a federally chartered corporation.*

17 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—*If the corporation does not comply with*
 18 *any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.*

19 **§220703. Purposes**

20 *The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-*
 21 *tion and include—*

22 (1) *preserving and promoting patriotism and loyalty to the United*
 23 *States of America;*

24 (2) *perpetuating and establishing memorials to the memory of ship-*
 25 *mates who served aboard United States submarines and gave their lives*
 26 *in submarine warfare during World War II;*

27 (3) *promoting the spirit and unity that existed among the United*
 28 *States Navy submarine crewmen during World War II;*

29 (4) *fostering general public awareness of life aboard submarines dur-*
 30 *ing World War II, through securing, restoring, and displaying the sub-*
 31 *marines that were in service at that time;*

32 (5) *sponsoring annual college scholarships; and*

1 (6) performing acts of charity as provided in the constitution and by-
2 laws of the corporation.

3 **§220704. Membership**

4 Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the cor-
5 poration and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the con-
6 stitution and bylaws of the corporation.

7 **§220705. Governing body**

8 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—The board of directors and the responsibilities
9 of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

10 (b) *OFFICERS.*—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in
11 the articles of incorporation.

12 **§220706. Powers**

13 The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles
14 of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.

15 **§220707. Restrictions**

16 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
17 clare or pay a dividend.

18 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
19 such may not contribute to, support, or otherwise participate in any political
20 activity or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.

21 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
22 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
23 officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This
24 subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-
25 ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by
26 the board of directors.

27 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
28 or employee.

29 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—The corporation
30 may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United States
31 Government for any of its activities.

32 **§220708. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

33 The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from
34 taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

35 **§220709. Records and inspection**

36 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

37 (1) correct and complete records of account;

38 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
39 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

40 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
41 members entitled to vote.

1 (6) to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and

2 (7) to preserve and defend the United States from all enemies.

3 **§230103. Membership**

4 An individual is eligible for membership in the corporation only if the in-
5 dividual served honorably as a member of the armed forces of the United
6 States—

7 (1) in a foreign war, insurrection, or expedition in service that—

8 (A) has been recognized as campaign–medal service; and

9 (B) is governed by the authorization of the award of a campaign
10 badge by the United States Government; or

11 (2) on the Korean peninsula or in its territorial waters for at least
12 30 consecutive days, or a total of 60 days, after June 30, 1949.

13 **§230104. Powers**

14 The corporation may—

15 (1) adopt and amend a constitution, bylaws, and regulations to carry
16 out the purposes of the corporation;

17 (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

18 (3) establish and maintain offices to conduct its activities;

19 (4) make contracts;

20 (5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary
21 and appropriate to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

22 (6) establish, regulate, and discontinue subordinate State and terri-
23 torial subdivisions and local chapters or posts;

24 (7) publish a magazine and other publications;

25 (8) sue and be sued; and

26 (9) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes
27 of the corporation.

28 **§230105. Exclusive right to name, seal, emblems, and badges**

29 The corporation has the exclusive right to use the name “Veterans of For-
30 eign Wars of the United States” and its corporate seal and to manufacture
31 and use emblems and badges the corporation adopts.

32 **§230106. Service of process**

33 As a condition to the exercise of any power or privilege granted by this
34 chapter, the corporation shall file, with the secretary of state or other des-
35 ignated official of each State, the name and address of an agent in that State
36 on whom legal process or demands against the corporation may be served.

37 **§230107. Annual report**

38 Not later than January 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a re-
39 port to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior fiscal
40 year. The report may not be printed as a public document.

1 **CHAPTER 2303—VETERANS OF WORLD WAR I OF THE**
 2 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED**

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3 **§230301. Organization**

4 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*Veterans of World War I of the United States of*
 5 *America, Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”), is a federally*
 6 *chartered corporation.*

7 (b) *PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.*—*The corporation is de-*
 8 *clared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.*

9 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 10 *tion has perpetual existence.*

11 **§230302. Purposes**

12 *The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, fraternal, historical, and edu-*
 13 *cational, in the service and for the benefit of veterans of World War I, and*
 14 *are—*

15 (1) *to provide for the veterans of World War I an organization for*
 16 *their mutual benefit, pleasure, and amusement which will afford them*
 17 *opportunities and means for personal contact with each other to keep*
 18 *alive friendships and memories of World War I and to venerate the mem-*
 19 *ory of their honored dead;*

20 (2) *to cooperate to the fullest extent and in a harmonious manner with*
 21 *all veterans’ organizations so that the best interests of all veterans of all*
 22 *wars in which the United States has participated, and the widows and*
 23 *orphans of deceased veterans of those wars, may best be served;*

24 (3) *to stimulate communities and political subdivisions into taking*
 25 *more interest in veterans of World War I, the widows and orphans of*
 26 *those deceased veterans, and the problems of those veterans and their wid-*
 27 *ows and orphans;*

28 (4) *to collate, preserve, and encourage the study of historical episodes,*
 29 *chronicles, mementos, and events pertaining to World War I;*

1 (5) to fight vigorously to uphold the Constitution and laws of the
2 United States as well as the individual States of the Union and to foster
3 the spirit and practice of true Americanism;

4 (6) to fight unceasingly for our national security to protect Americans
5 from enemies within our borders, as well as those from without, so that
6 our American way of life is preserved;

7 (7) to fight to the utmost all those alien forces, particularly forces such
8 as communism, whose objectives are to deny our very existence as a free
9 people; and

10 (8) to do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes
11 of the corporation.

12 **§230303. Membership**

13 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the
14 rights, privileges, and designation of classes of members are as provided in
15 the constitution and bylaws of the corporation. However, an individual who
16 did not serve honorably in the armed forces of the United States during the
17 period beginning April 6, 1917, and ending November 11, 1918, is not eligible
18 for all classes of membership.

19 (b) *VOTING.*—Each member of the corporation (except an associate or hon-
20 orary member) has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting
21 of the members of the corporation except the national convention.

22 **§230304. Governing body**

23 (a) *NATIONAL CONVENTION.*—(1) The national convention is the supreme
24 governing authority of the corporation.

25 (2) The national convention is composed of officers and elected representa-
26 tives from the States and other local subdivisions of the corporation as pro-
27 vided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation. However, the form
28 of government of the corporation must be representative of the membership at
29 large and may not permit concentration of control in a limited number of
30 members or in a self-perpetuating group not representative of the membership
31 at large. Each elected representative is entitled to one vote at the national
32 convention.

33 (3) The meetings of the national convention may be held in the District
34 of Columbia or in any State, territory, or possession of the United States.

35 (b) *BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION.*—(1) During the intervals between the na-
36 tional convention, the board of administration is the governing board of the
37 corporation and is responsible for the general policies, program, and activities
38 of the corporation.

39 (2) The board shall consist of at least 7 members elected in the manner
40 and for the term provided in the constitution and bylaws.

1 (c) *OFFICERS.*—(1) *The officers of the corporation are a national commander, a national senior vice commander, a national junior vice commander, a national quartermaster, a national adjutant, a national judge advocate, 9 regional vice commanders, and other officers as provided in the constitution and bylaws. One individual may hold the offices of national quartermaster and national adjutant.*

7 (2) *The titles, manner of selection, term of office, and duties of the officers are as provided in the constitution and bylaws.*

9 **§230305. Powers**

10 *The corporation may—*

11 (1) *adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs;*

12 (2) *adopt and alter a corporate seal;*

13 (3) *choose officers, managers, employees, and agents as the activities of the corporation require;*

14 (4) *make contracts;*

15 (5) *acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;*

16 (6) *borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its obligations by granting security interests in its property;*

17 (7) *sue and be sued; and*

18 (8) *do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of the corporation.*

19 **§230306. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges**

20 *The corporation and its subordinate divisions have the exclusive right to use the name “Veterans of World War I of the United States of America, Incorporated”. The corporation has the exclusive right to use, and to allow others to use, seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.*

21 **§230307. Restrictions**

22 (a) *STOCKS AND DIVIDENDS.*—*The corporation may not issue stock or declare or pay a dividend.*

23 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—*The corporation or an officer or agent as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate for public office.*

24 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—*The income or assets of the corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, an officer or member during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensation to an officer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by the board of administration of the corporation.*

1 (d) *LOANS.*—*The corporation may not make a loan or advance to an officer*
 2 *or employee. Members of the board of administration who vote for or assent*
 3 *to making a loan or advance to an officer or employee, and officers who par-*
 4 *ticipate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to*
 5 *the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.*

6 **§230308. Principal office**

7 *The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia*
 8 *or another place decided by the board of administration. However, the activi-*
 9 *ties of the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office*
 10 *is located but may be conducted in the District of Columbia and throughout*
 11 *the States, territories, and possessions of the United States.*

12 **§230309. Records and inspection**

13 (a) *RECORDS.*—*The corporation shall keep—*

14 (1) *correct and complete records of account; and*

15 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its national convention and board*
 16 *of administration.*

17 (b) *INSPECTION.*—*A member, or an agent or attorney of the member, may*
 18 *inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reason-*
 19 *able time.*

20 **§230310. Service of process**

21 *The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia*
 22 *to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the*
 23 *agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service*
 24 *on the corporation.*

25 **§230311. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

26 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 27 *the scope of their authority.*

28 **§230312. Annual report**

29 *Not later than March 1 of each year, the corporation shall submit a report*
 30 *to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior fiscal year.*
 31 *The report may consist of a report on the proceedings of the national conven-*
 32 *tion.*

33 **§230313. Termination of existence and distribution of assets**

34 (a) *AUTHORITY TO MAKE CONTINGENT PROVISIONS.*—*The national con-*
 35 *vention, by resolution, may declare that the corporate existence will terminate*
 36 *on the occurrence of a specified event and provide for the disposition of any*
 37 *property remaining after the discharge of all liabilities.*

38 (b) *PROCEDURE FOR CARRYING OUT CONTINGENT PROVISIONS.*—(1) *An*
 39 *authenticated copy of the national convention's resolution must be filed in the*
 40 *office of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.*

41 (2) *The court shall take jurisdiction when—*

1 (A) the declared event has occurred; and

2 (B) a petition is filed with the court reciting the relevant facts.

3 (3) On proof of the facts, the court shall enter an order vesting title and
4 ownership in accordance with the resolution of the national convention.

5 **CHAPTER 2305—VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, INC.**

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6 **§230501. Definition**

7 For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and
8 the territories and possessions of the United States.

9 **§230502. Organization**

10 (a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc. (in this chap-
11 ter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in New York, is
12 a federally chartered corporation.

13 (b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with
14 any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.

15 **§230503. Purposes**

16 The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-
17 tion, constitution, and bylaws and include a commitment—

18 (1) to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States;

19 (2) to foster improvement of the condition of Vietnam-era veterans;

20 (3) to promote the social welfare (including educational, economic, so-
21 cial, physical, and cultural improvement) of Vietnam-era veterans and
22 other veterans in the United States by encouraging their growth, develop-
23 ment, readjustment, self-respect, self-confidence, and usefulness;

24 (4) to improve conditions for Vietnam-era veterans and develop chan-
25 nels of communication to assist Vietnam-era veterans;

26 (5) to conduct and publish research, on a nonpartisan basis, pertain-
27 ing to—

28 (A) the relationship between Vietnam-era veterans and American
29 society;

30 (B) the Vietnam war experience;

1 (C) the role of the United States in securing peaceful coexistence
2 for the world community; and

3 (D) other matters that affect the educational, economic, social,
4 physical, or cultural welfare of Vietnam-era veterans, other veterans,
5 and their families;

6 (6) to assist disabled Vietnam-era veterans and other veterans in need
7 of assistance and the dependents and survivors of those veterans; and

8 (7) to consecrate the efforts of the members of the corporation, and
9 Vietnam-era veterans generally, to mutual helpfulness and service to
10 their country.

11 **§230504. Membership**

12 (a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for mem-
13 bership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as
14 provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

15 (b) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—The terms of membership may not discriminate
16 on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, age, or national origin.

17 **§230505. Governing body**

18 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—The board of directors and the responsibilities
19 of the board are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

20 (b) *OFFICERS.*—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in
21 the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

22 (c) *NONDISCRIMINATION.*—The requirements for serving as a director or of-
23 ficer may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability,
24 age, or national origin.

25 **§230506. Powers**

26 The corporation has only the powers provided in its articles of incorpora-
27 tion filed in the State of incorporation and in its constitution and bylaws.

28 **§230507. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and** 29 **badges**

30 The corporation has the exclusive right to use the names “The Vietnam Vet-
31 erans of America, Inc.,” “Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.,” and “Vietnam
32 Veterans of America”, and seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.
33 This section does not affect any vested rights.

34 **§230508. Restrictions**

35 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
36 clare or pay a dividend.

37 (b) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
38 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,
39 officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This
40 subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-

1 *ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by*
 2 *the board of directors.*

3 (c) *LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,*
 4 *or employee.*

5 (d) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.—The corpora-*
 6 *tion may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United*
 7 *States Government for any of its activities.*

8 **§230509. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

9 *The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from*
 10 *taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).*

11 **§230510. Records and inspection**

12 (a) *RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—*

13 (1) *correct and complete records of account;*

14 (2) *minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and*
 15 *committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and*

16 (3) *at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its*
 17 *members entitled to vote.*

18 (b) *INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the*
 19 *member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,*
 20 *at any reasonable time.*

21 **§230511. Service of process**

22 *The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each*
 23 *State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-*
 24 *ties.*

25 **§230512. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

26 *The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within*
 27 *the scope of their authority.*

28 **§230513. Annual report**

29 *The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities*
 30 *of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted*
 31 *at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this*
 32 *title. The report may not be printed as a public document.*

33 **CHAPTER 2401—WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS VETERANS'**
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1 **§240101. Definition**

2 For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and
3 the territories and possessions of the United States.

4 **§240102. Organization**

5 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—Women’s Army Corps Veterans’ Association (in
6 this chapter, the “corporation”), a nonprofit corporation incorporated in the
7 District of Columbia, is a federally chartered corporation.

8 (b) *EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.*—If the corporation does not comply with
9 any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.

10 **§240103. Purposes**

11 The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorpora-
12 tion and include a continuing commitment on a national basis—

13 (1) to promote the general welfare of all veterans, especially women
14 veterans, who have served or are serving in the United States Army, the
15 Army Reserve, and the Army National Guard;

16 (2) to recognize outstanding women in college ROTC units throughout
17 the United States; and

18 (3) to provide services and support to patients in medical facilities of
19 the Department of Veterans Affairs throughout the United States.

20 **§240104. Membership**

21 Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges
22 of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

23 **§240105. Governing body**

24 (a) *BOARD OF DIRECTORS.*—The board of directors and the responsibilities
25 of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

26 (b) *OFFICERS.*—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in
27 the articles of incorporation.

28 **§240106. Powers**

29 The corporation has only the powers provided in its bylaws and articles
30 of incorporation filed in each State in which it is incorporated.

31 **§240107. Restrictions**

32 (a) *STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.*—The corporation may not issue stock or de-
33 clare or pay a dividend.

34 (b) *POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.*—The corporation or a director or officer as
35 such may not contribute to, support, or otherwise participate in any political
36 activity or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.

37 (c) *DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.*—The income or assets of the
38 corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director,

1 officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This
 2 subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an of-
 3 ficer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by
 4 the board of directors.

5 (d) *LOANS.*—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer,
 6 or employee.

7 (e) *CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.*—The corporation
 8 may not claim the approval or the authority of the United States Government
 9 for any of its activities.

10 **§240108. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

11 The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from
 12 taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

13 **§240109. Records and inspection**

14 (a) *RECORDS.*—The corporation shall keep—

15 (1) correct and complete records of account;

16 (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and
 17 committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

18 (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its
 19 members entitled to vote.

20 (b) *INSPECTION.*—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the
 21 member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose,
 22 at any reasonable time.

23 **§240110. Service of process**

24 The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each
 25 State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activi-
 26 ties.

27 **§240111. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

28 The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers or agents acting within
 29 the scope of their authority.

30 **§240112. Annual report**

31 The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities
 32 of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted
 33 at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this
 34 title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

35 **CHAPTER 2501—[RESERVED]**

36 **CHAPTER 2601—[RESERVED]**

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38 **SUBTITLE III—TREATY OBLIGATION**

39 **ORGANIZATIONS**

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1 **CHAPTER 3001—THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS**

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2 **§300101. Organization**

3 (a) *FEDERAL CHARTER.*—*The American National Red Cross (in this chap-*
 4 *ter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic in the District of Co-*
 5 *lumbia.*

6 (b) *NAME.*—*The name of the corporation is “The American National Red*
 7 *Cross”.*

8 (c) *PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.*—*Except as otherwise provided, the corpora-*
 9 *tion has perpetual existence.*

10 **§300102. Purposes**

11 *The purposes of the corporation are—*

12 (1) *to provide volunteer aid in time of war to the sick and wounded*
 13 *of the armed forces, in accordance with the spirit and conditions of—*

14 (A) *the conference of Geneva of October, 1863;*

15 (B) *the treaties of the Red Cross, or the treaties of Geneva, August*
 16 *22, 1864, July 27, 1929, and August 12, 1949, to which the United*
 17 *States of America has given its adhesion; and*

18 (C) *any other treaty, convention, or protocol similar in purpose*
 19 *to which the United States of America has given or may give its*
 20 *adhesion;*

21 (2) *in carrying out the purposes described in clause (1) of this section,*
 22 *to perform all the duties devolved on a national society by each nation*
 23 *that has acceded to any of those treaties, conventions, or protocols;*

24 (3) *to act in matters of voluntary relief and in accordance with the*
 25 *military authorities as a medium of communication between the people*
 26 *of the United States and the armed forces of the United States and to*
 27 *act in those matters between similar national societies of governments of*
 28 *other countries through the International Committee of the Red Cross*
 29 *and the Government, the people, and the armed forces of the United*
 30 *States; and*

31 (4) *to carry out a system of national and international relief in time*
 32 *of peace, and to apply that system in mitigating the suffering caused by*

1 *pestilence, famine, fire, floods, and other great national calamities, and*
 2 *to devise and carry out measures for preventing those calamities.*

3 **§300103. Membership and chapters**

4 *(a) MEMBERSHIP.—Membership in the corporation is open to all the people*
 5 *of the United States and its territories and possessions, on payment of an*
 6 *amount specified in the bylaws.*

7 *(b) CHAPTERS.—(1) The chapters of the corporation are the local units of*
 8 *the corporation. The board of governors shall prescribe regulations related*
 9 *to—*

10 *(A) granting charters to the chapters and revoking those charters;*

11 *(B) the territorial jurisdiction of the chapters;*

12 *(C) the relationship of the chapters to the corporation; and*

13 *(D) compliance by the chapters with the policies and regulations of*
 14 *the corporation.*

15 *(2) The regulations shall require that each chapter adhere to the democratic*
 16 *principles of election specified in the bylaws in electing the governing body*
 17 *of the chapter and selecting delegates to the national convention of the cor-*
 18 *poration.*

19 **§300104. Board of governors**

20 *(a) BOARD OF GOVERNORS.—(1) The board of governors is the governing*
 21 *body of the corporation with all powers of governing and managing the cor-*
 22 *poration. The board has 50 members. The governors shall be appointed or*
 23 *elected in the following manner:*

24 *(A) The President shall appoint 8 governors, one of whom the Presi-*
 25 *dent shall designate to act as the principal officer of the corporation with*
 26 *the title and functions provided in the bylaws. The other governors ap-*
 27 *pointed by the President shall be officials of departments and agencies*
 28 *of the United States Government, whose positions and interests qualify*
 29 *them to contribute to carrying out the programs and purposes of the cor-*
 30 *poration. At least one, but not more than 3, of those officials shall be*
 31 *selected from the armed forces.*

32 *(B) The chapters shall elect 30 governors at the national convention*
 33 *under procedures for nomination and election that ensure equitable rep-*
 34 *resentation of all chapters, with regard to geographical considerations,*
 35 *the size of the chapters, and the size of the populations served by the*
 36 *chapters.*

37 *(C) The board shall elect 12 governors as members-at-large. Those gov-*
 38 *ernors shall be individuals who are representative of the national inter-*
 39 *ests that the corporation serves, and with which it is desirable that the*
 40 *corporation have close association.*

1 (2) *One-third of the members elected to the board shall be elected at each*
 2 *national convention, and take office at that time or as soon as practicable*
 3 *after the convention.*

4 (b) *TERM OF OFFICE AND VACANCIES.—(1) The term of office of each gov-*
 5 *ernor is 3 years. However, the term of office of a governor appointed by the*
 6 *President (except the principal officer of the corporation) expires if, before the*
 7 *end of the 3-year term, the governor retires from the official position held at*
 8 *the time of appointment as a governor.*

9 (2) *The President shall fill as soon as practicable a vacancy in the office*
 10 *of the principal officer of the corporation or in the position of another gov-*
 11 *ernor appointed by the President. The board shall make a temporary appoint-*
 12 *ment to fill a vacancy occurring in an elected position on the board. An indi-*
 13 *vidual appointed by the board to fill a vacancy serves until the next national*
 14 *convention.*

15 (c) *EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The board may—*

16 (1) *appoint, from its own members, an executive committee of at least*
 17 *11 individuals to exercise the powers of the board when the board is not*
 18 *in session; and*

19 (2) *appoint and remove, or provide for the appointment and removal*
 20 *of, officers and employees of the corporation, except the principal officer*
 21 *of the corporation.*

22 (d) *VOTING BY PROXY.—Voting by proxy is not allowed at any meeting*
 23 *of the board, at the national convention, or at any meeting of a chapter. How-*
 24 *ever, the board may allow the election of governors by proxy at the national*
 25 *convention if the board believes a national emergency makes attendance at the*
 26 *national convention impossible.*

27 **§300105. Powers**

28 (a) *GENERAL.—The corporation may—*

29 (1) *adopt bylaws and regulations;*

30 (2) *adopt, alter, and destroy a seal;*

31 (3) *own and dispose of property to carry out the purposes of the cor-*
 32 *poration;*

33 (4) *accept gifts, devises, and bequests of property to carry out the pur-*
 34 *poses of the corporation;*

35 (5) *sue and be sued in courts of law and equity, State or Federal,*
 36 *within the jurisdiction of the United States; and*

37 (6) *do any other act necessary to carry out this chapter and promote*
 38 *the purposes of the corporation.*

39 (b) *DESIGNATION.—The corporation is designated as the organization au-*
 40 *thorized to act in matters of relief under the treaties of Geneva, August 22,*
 41 *1864, July 27, 1929, and August 12, 1949.*

1 **§300106. Emblem, badge, and brassard**

2 (a) EMBLEM AND BADGE.—*In carrying out its purposes under this chap-*
 3 *ter, the corporation may have and use, as an emblem and badge, a Greek red*
 4 *cross on a white ground, as described in the treaties of Geneva, August 22,*
 5 *1864, July 27, 1929, and August 12, 1949, and adopted by the nations acced-*
 6 *ing to those treaties.*

7 (b) DELIVERY OF BRASSARD.—*In accordance with those treaties, the deliv-*
 8 *ery of the brassard allowed for individuals neutralized in time of war shall*
 9 *be left to military authority.*

10 **§300107. Annual meeting**

11 *The annual meeting of the corporation is the national convention of dele-*
 12 *gates of the chapters. The national convention shall be held annually on a*
 13 *date and at a place specified by the board of governors. In matters requiring*
 14 *a vote at the national convention, each chapter is entitled to at least one vote.*
 15 *The board shall determine on an equitable basis the number of votes that each*
 16 *chapter is entitled to cast, taking into consideration the size of the member-*
 17 *ship of the chapters and of the populations served by the chapters. The board*
 18 *shall review the allocation of votes at least every 5 years.*

19 **§300108. Buildings**

20 (a) OWNERSHIP.—*The United States Government shall retain ownership of*
 21 *the corporation's permanent headquarters, comprised of buildings erected on*
 22 *square 172 in the District of Columbia, including—*

23 (1) *the memorial building to commemorate the service and sacrifice*
 24 *of the women of the United States, North and South, during the Civil*
 25 *War, erected for the use of the corporation;*

26 (2) *the memorial building to commemorate the service and sacrifice*
 27 *of the patriotic women of the United States, its territories and posses-*
 28 *sions, and the District of Columbia during World War I, erected for the*
 29 *use of the corporation; and*

30 (3) *the permanent building erected for the use of the corporation in*
 31 *connection with its work in cooperation with the Government.*

32 (b) MAINTENANCE AND EXPENSES.—*Those buildings shall remain under*
 33 *the supervision of the Administrator of General Services. However, the cor-*
 34 *poration shall care for and maintain the buildings without expense to the*
 35 *Government.*

36 **§300109. Endowment fund**

37 *The endowment fund of the corporation shall be kept and invested under*
 38 *the management and control of a board of 9 trustees elected by the board of*
 39 *governors. The board of governors shall prescribe regulations on terms and*
 40 *tenure of office, accountability, and expenses of the board of trustees.*

1 **§300110. Annual report and audit**

2 (a) *SUBMISSION OF REPORT.*—As soon as practicable after July 1 of each
3 year, the corporation shall submit a report to the Secretary of Defense on the
4 activities of the corporation during the fiscal year ending June 30, including
5 a complete, itemized report of all receipts and expenditures.

6 (b) *AUDITING OF REPORT AND SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.*—The Secretary
7 shall audit the report and submit a copy of the audited report to Congress.

8 (c) *PAYMENT OF AUDIT EXPENSES.*—The corporation shall reimburse the
9 Secretary each year for auditing its accounts. The amount paid shall be de-
10 posited in the Treasury of the United States as a miscellaneous receipt.

11 **§300111. Reservation of right to amend or repeal**

12 Congress reserves the right to amend or repeal the provisions of this chap-
13 ter.

14 **SEC. 2. THE FLAG.**

15 (a) Chapter 1 of title 4, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
16 end the following new sections:

17 **“§4. Pledge of allegiance to the flag; manner of delivery**

18 “The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, ‘I pledge allegiance to the Flag of
19 the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one
20 Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.’, should be ren-
21 dered by standing at attention facing the flag with the right hand over the
22 heart. When not in uniform men should remove their headdress with their
23 right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart.
24 Persons in uniform should remain silent, face the flag, and render the mili-
25 tary salute.

26 **“§5. Display and use of flag by civilians; codification of**
27 **rules and customs; definition**

28 “The following codification of existing rules and customs pertaining to the
29 display and use of the flag of the United States of America is established for
30 the use of such civilians or civilian groups or organizations as may not be
31 required to conform with regulations promulgated by one or more executive
32 departments of the Government of the United States. The flag of the United
33 States for the purpose of this chapter shall be defined according to sections
34 1 and 2 of this title and Executive Order 10834 issued pursuant thereto.

35 **“§6. Time and occasions for display**

36 “(a) It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sun-
37 set on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs in the open. However, when a
38 patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed twenty-four hours a day
39 if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

40 “(b) The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

1 “(c) *The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclem-*
2 *ent, except when an all weather flag is displayed.*

3 “(d) *The flag should be displayed on all days, especially on New Year’s*
4 *Day, January 1; Inauguration Day, January 20; Lincoln’s Birthday, Feb-*
5 *ruary 12; Washington’s Birthday, third Monday in February; Easter Sunday*
6 *(variable); Mother’s Day, second Sunday in May; Armed Forces Day, third*
7 *Saturday in May; Memorial Day (half-staff until noon), the last Monday in*
8 *May; Flag Day, June 14; Independence Day, July 4; Labor Day, first Mon-*
9 *day in September; Constitution Day, September 17; Columbus Day, second*
10 *Monday in October; Navy Day, October 27; Veterans Day, November 11;*
11 *Thanksgiving Day, fourth Thursday in November; Christmas Day, December*
12 *25; and such other days as may be proclaimed by the President of the United*
13 *States; the birthdays of States (date of admission); and on State holidays.*

14 “(e) *The flag should be displayed daily on or near the main administration*
15 *building of every public institution.*

16 “(f) *The flag should be displayed in or near every polling place on election*
17 *days.*

18 “(g) *The flag should be displayed during school days in or near every*
19 *schoolhouse.*

20 **“§ 7. Position and manner of display**

21 *“The flag, when carried in a procession with another flag or flags, should*
22 *be either on the marching right; that is, the flag’s own right, or, if there is*
23 *a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.*

24 “(a) *The flag should not be displayed on a float in a parade except from*
25 *a staff, or as provided in subsection (i) of this section.*

26 “(b) *The flag should not be draped over the hood, top, sides, or back of a*
27 *vehicle or of a railroad train or a boat. When the flag is displayed on a mo-*
28 *torcar, the staff shall be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the right*
29 *fender.*

30 “(c) *No other flag or pennant should be placed above or, if on the same*
31 *level, to the right of the flag of the United States of America, except during*
32 *church services conducted by naval chaplains at sea, when the church pennant*
33 *may be flown above the flag during church services for the personnel of the*
34 *Navy. No person shall display the flag of the United Nations or any other*
35 *national or international flag equal, above, or in a position of superior prom-*
36 *inence or honor to, or in place of, the flag of the United States at any place*
37 *within the United States or any Territory or possession thereof: Provided,*
38 *That nothing in this section shall make unlawful the continuance of the prac-*
39 *tice heretofore followed of displaying the flag of the United Nations in a posi-*
40 *tion of superior prominence or honor, and other national flags in positions*

1 of equal prominence or honor, with that of the flag of the United States at
2 the headquarters of the United Nations.

3 “(d) The flag of the United States of America, when it is displayed with
4 another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, should be on the right, the
5 flag’s own right, and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag.

6 “(e) The flag of the United States of America should be at the center and
7 at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of States or localities
8 or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.

9 “(f) When flags of States, cities, or localities, or pennants of societies are
10 flown on the same halyard with the flag of the United States, the latter should
11 always be at the peak. When the flags are flown from adjacent staffs, the flag
12 of the United States should be hoisted first and lowered last. No such flag or
13 pennant may be placed above the flag of the United States or to the United
14 States flag’s right.

15 “(g) When flags of two or more nations are displayed, they are to be flown
16 from separate staffs of the same height. The flags should be of approximately
17 equal size. International usage forbids the display of the flag of one nation
18 above that of another nation in time of peace.

19 “(h) When the flag of the United States is displayed from a staff projecting
20 horizontally or at an angle from the window sill, balcony, or front of a build-
21 ing, the union of the flag should be placed at the peak of the staff unless the
22 flag is at half staff. When the flag is suspended over a sidewalk from a rope
23 extending from a house to a pole at the edge of the sidewalk, the flag should
24 be hoisted out, union first, from the building.

25 “(i) When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the
26 union should be uppermost and to the flag’s own right, that is, to the observ-
27 er’s left. When displayed in a window, the flag should be displayed in the
28 same way, with the union or blue field to the left of the observer in the street.

29 “(j) When the flag is displayed over the middle of the street, it should be
30 suspended vertically with the union to the north in an east and west street
31 or to the east in a north and south street.

32 “(k) When used on a speaker’s platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should
33 be displayed above and behind the speaker. When displayed from a staff in
34 a church or public auditorium, the flag of the United States of America
35 should hold the position of superior prominence, in advance of the audience,
36 and in the position of honor at the clergyman’s or speaker’s right as he faces
37 the audience. Any other flag so displayed should be placed on the left of the
38 clergyman or speaker or to the right of the audience.

39 “(l) The flag should form a distinctive feature of the ceremony of unveiling
40 a statue or monument, but it should never be used as the covering for the
41 statue or monument.

1 “(m) *The flag, when flown at half-staff, should be first hoisted to the peak*
2 *for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag should be*
3 *again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day. On Memorial Day*
4 *the flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon only, then raised to the*
5 *top of the staff. By order of the President, the flag shall be flown at half-staff*
6 *upon the death of principal figures of the United States Government and the*
7 *Governor of a State, territory, or possession, as a mark of respect to their*
8 *memory. In the event of the death of other officials or foreign dignitaries, the*
9 *flag is to be displayed at half-staff according to Presidential instructions or*
10 *orders, or in accordance with recognized customs or practices not inconsistent*
11 *with law. In the event of the death of a present or former official of the gov-*
12 *ernment of any State, territory, or possession of the United States, the Gov-*
13 *ernor of that State, territory, or possession may proclaim that the National*
14 *flag shall be flown at half-staff. The flag shall be flown at half-staff thirty*
15 *days from the death of the President or a former President; ten days from*
16 *the day of death of the Vice President, the Chief Justice or a retired Chief*
17 *Justice of the United States, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives;*
18 *from the day of death until interment of an Associate Justice of the Supreme*
19 *Court, a Secretary of an executive or military department, a former Vice*
20 *President, or the Governor of a State, territory, or possession; and on the day*
21 *of death and the following day for a Member of Congress. The flag shall be*
22 *flown at halfstaff on Peace Officers Memorial Day, unless that day is also*
23 *Armed Forces Day. As used in this subsection—*

24 “(1) *the term ‘half-staff’ means the position of the flag when it is one-*
25 *half the distance between the top and bottom of the staff;*

26 “(2) *the term ‘executive or military department’ means any agency*
27 *listed under sections 101 and 102 of title 5; and*

28 “(3) *the term ‘Member of Congress’ means a Senator, a Representative,*
29 *a Delegate, or the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico.*

30 “(n) *When the flag is used to cover a casket, it should be so placed that*
31 *the union is at the head and over the left shoulder. The flag should not be*
32 *lowered into the grave or allowed to touch the ground.*

33 “(o) *When the flag is suspended across a corridor or lobby in a building*
34 *with only one main entrance, it should be suspended vertically with the union*
35 *of the flag to the observer’s left upon entering. If the building has more than*
36 *one main entrance, the flag should be suspended vertically near the center of*
37 *the corridor or lobby with the union to the north, when entrances are to the*
38 *east and west or to the east when entrances are to the north and south. If*
39 *there are entrances in more than two directions, the union should be to the*
40 *east.*

1 **“§8. Respect for flag**

2 *“No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America;*
3 *the flag should not be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, State*
4 *flags, and organization or institutional flags are to be dipped as a mark of*
5 *honor.*

6 *“(a) The flag should never be displayed with the union down, except as a*
7 *signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.*

8 *“(b) The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground,*
9 *the floor, water, or merchandise.*

10 *“(c) The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft*
11 *and free.*

12 *“(d) The flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding, or drapery.*
13 *It should never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed*
14 *to fall free. Bunting of blue, white, and red, always arranged with the blue*
15 *above, the white in the middle, and the red below, should be used for covering*
16 *a speaker’s desk, draping the front of the platform, and for decoration in gen-*
17 *eral.*

18 *“(e) The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such*
19 *a manner as to permit it to be easily torn, soiled, or damaged in any way.*

20 *“(f) The flag should never be used as a covering for a ceiling.*

21 *“(g) The flag should never have placed upon it, nor on any part of it, nor*
22 *attached to it any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture, or*
23 *drawing of any nature.*

24 *“(h) The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding,*
25 *carrying, or delivering anything.*

26 *“(i) The flag should never be used for advertising purposes in any manner*
27 *whatsoever. It should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions or hand-*
28 *kerchiefs and the like, printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkins or*
29 *boxes or anything that is designed for temporary use and discard. Advertising*
30 *signs should not be fastened to a staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.*

31 *“(j) No part of the flag should ever be used as a costume or athletic uni-*
32 *form. However, a flag patch may be affixed to the uniform of military person-*
33 *nel, firemen, policemen, and members of patriotic organizations. The flag rep-*
34 *resents a living country and is itself considered a living thing. Therefore, the*
35 *lapel flag pin being a replica, should be worn on the left lapel near the heart.*

36 *“(k) The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting*
37 *emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by*
38 *burning.*

39 **“§9. Conduct during hoisting, lowering or passing of flag**

40 *“During the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the flag or when the flag is*
41 *passing in a parade or in review, all persons present except those in uniform*

1 *should face the flag and stand at attention with the right hand over the heart.*
 2 *Those present in uniform should render the military salute. When not in uni-*
 3 *form, men should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it*
 4 *at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Aliens should stand at at-*
 5 *tention. The salute to the flag in a moving column should be rendered at the*
 6 *moment the flag passes.*

7 **“§ 10. Modification of rules and customs by President**

8 *“Any rule or custom pertaining to the display of the flag of the United*
 9 *States of America, set forth herein, may be altered, modified, or repealed, or*
 10 *additional rules with respect thereto may be prescribed, by the Commander*
 11 *in Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, whenever he deems it to*
 12 *be appropriate or desirable; and any such alteration or additional rule shall*
 13 *be set forth in a proclamation.”.*

14 *(b) The analysis of chapter 1 of title 4, United States Code, is amended*
 15 *by adding at the end the following new items:*

- 16 *“4. Pledge of allegiance to the flag; manner of delivery.*
- 17 *“5. Display and use of flag by civilians; codification of rules and customs; definition.*
- 18 *“6. Time and occasions for display.*
- 19 *“7. Position and manner of display.*
- 20 *“8. Respect for flag.*
- 21 *“9. Conduct during hoisting, lowering or passing of flag.*
- 22 *“10. Modification of rules and customs by President.”.*

23 **SEC. 3. CONFORMING PROVISIONS.**

24 *Section 1332 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking “the*
 25 *United Spanish War Veterans,”.*

26 **SEC. 4. CONFORMING CROSS-REFERENCES.**

27 *(a) TITLE 10.—Title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:*

28 *(1) In section 2249b, strike “the provisions of section 3 of the Joint*
 29 *Resolution of June 22, 1942 (56 Stat. 378, chapter 435; 36 U.S.C. 175),*
 30 *and any modification of such provisions under section 8 of that Joint*
 31 *Resolution (36 U.S.C. 178)” and substitute “section 7 of title 4 and any*
 32 *modification of section 7 under section 10 of title 4”.*

33 *(2) Section 2543 is amended as follows:*

34 *(A) In subsection (e)(1), strike “subsection (b)(2) of the first sec-*
 35 *tion of the Presidential Inaugural Ceremonies Act (36 U.S.C. 721)”*
 36 *and substitute “section 501 of title 36”.*

37 *(B) In subsection (e)(2), strike “the proviso in section 9 of the*
 38 *Presidential Inaugural Ceremonies Act (36 U.S.C. 729)” and sub-*
 39 *stitute “section 507 of title 36”.*

40 *(3) In section 9441(b), strike “section 2 of the Act of July 1, 1946 (36*
 41 *U.S.C. 202)” and substitute “section 40302 of title 36”.*

42 *(b) TITLE 18.—Section 2320(d) of title 18, United States Code, is amended*
 43 *as follows:*

1 (1) In clause (1)(B), strike “section 110 of the Olympic Charter Act”
2 and substitute “section 220706 of title 36”.

3 (2) In clause (2), insert “and” after the semicolon.

4 (3) In clause (3), strike “; and” and substitute a period.

5 (4) Strike clause (4).

6 **SEC. 5. LEGISLATIVE PURPOSE AND CONSTRUCTION.**

7 (a) *NO SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE.*—Sections 1 and 2 of this Act restate, with-
8 out substantive change, laws enacted before August 16, 1997, that were re-
9 placed by those sections. Those sections may not be construed as making a
10 substantive change in the laws replaced. Laws enacted after August 15, 1997,
11 that are inconsistent with this Act supersede this Act to the extent of the in-
12 consistency.

13 (b) *REFERENCES.*—A reference to a law replaced by section 1 or 2 of this
14 Act, including a reference in a regulation, order, or other law, is deemed to
15 refer to the corresponding provision enacted by this Act.

16 (c) *CONTINUING EFFECT.*—An order, rule, or regulation in effect under a
17 law replaced by section 1 or 2 of this Act continues in effect under the cor-
18 responding provision enacted by this Act until repealed, amended, or super-
19 seded.

20 (d) *ACTIONS AND OFFENSES UNDER PRIOR LAW.*—An action taken or an
21 offense committed under a law replaced by section 1 or 2 of this Act is deemed
22 to have been taken or committed under the corresponding provision enacted
23 by this Act.

24 (e) *INFERENCES.*—An inference of a legislative construction is not to be
25 drawn by reason of the location in the United States Code of a provision en-
26 acted by this Act or by reason of a caption or catch line of the provision.

27 (f) *SEVERABILITY.*—If a provision enacted by this Act is held invalid, all
28 valid provisions that are severable from the invalid provision remain in effect.
29 If a provision enacted by this Act is held invalid in any of its applications,
30 the provision remains valid for all valid applications that are severable from
31 any of the invalid applications.

32 **SEC. 6. REPEALS.**

33 (a) *INFERENCES OF REPEAL.*—The repeal of a law by this Act may not
34 be construed as a legislative inference that the provision was or was not in
35 effect before its repeal.

36 (b) *REPEALER SCHEDULE.*—The laws specified in the following schedule
37 are repealed, except for rights and duties that matured, penalties that were
38 incurred, and proceedings that were begun before the date of enactment of this
39 Act:

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1901 Mar. 3	860		31	1438	36	3501-3504
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1910 June 30	3929		34	804	36	5301-5311
1910 June 23	372	2	36	604	36	9
1912 Dec. 10	1		37	647	36	5
1913 Jan. 30	21		37	654	36	4901, 4901 note, 4902-4910
1914 May 8	Pub. R. 25		38	770	36	141, 142
1915 May 27	101		38	383	36	254, 254 note
1916 Mar. 3	89		38	955	36	18a
1917 Apr. 17	77		39	51	36	4201-4206
1917 June 15	148		39	227	36	21-29
1917 Feb. 27	137		39	946	36	6
1919 Sept. 16	59		41	284	36	41-51
1920 May 29	214	(1st complete par. on p. 659)	41	659	36	7
1921 May 31	216		41	691	36	4701-4707
1922 Mar. 3	131		41	1354	36	5
1923 Apr. 6	121		42	490	36	3502
1923 Mar. 3	228		42	1441	36	61-66
1924 Mar. 4	283		42	1509	36	121, 123b, 123-125, 127, 128, 131, 132, 138-138c
1924 Apr. 2	81	1 (2d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	43	35	36	122, 133
1925 June 7	292	1 (provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	43	522	36	122, 133
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	369		43	665	36	15
1925 Feb. 6	142		43	808	36	20d
1926 Feb. 24	303		43	966	36	91-105
1926 Feb. 5	11		44	4	36	18a
1927 Apr. 22	171	1 (2d-last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	44	307	36	122, 133-135
1927 May 5	246		44	403	36	14
1927 Feb. 11	104	1 (provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	44	1071	36	122, 133-137
1928 May 16	580	1 (provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	45	575	36	122, 134, 135
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Apr. 19	42	46	66	36	13
1931 Feb. 23	201	1 (1st, 2d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	46	230, 231	36	122, 134, 135
1932 Mar. 3	281	1 (1st, 2d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	46	1356	36	122, 134, 135
1932 June 17	436 .....	.....	46	1508	36	170
June 30	268 .....	.....	47	320	36	90a-90k
1933 Mar. 3	330	1 (1st, 2d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	47	454	36	122, 134, 135
May 20	214 .....	.....	47	1544	36	16
June 16	36 .....	.....	48	73	36	145
1934 Apr. 30	101	1 (1st, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	48	285	36	122, 135
June 7	184 .....	.....	48	657	36	146
1935 Feb. 2	425 .....	.....	48	925	36	3502, 3504
June 28	3	1 (1st, 3d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	49	7	36	121a, 122, 135
July 5	323	1, 2	49	426	36	491, 491 note
Aug. 12	373 .....	.....	49	457	36	3301-3310
1936 Mar. 19	508	1 (par. under heading "Memorial to Personnel of American Expeditionary Forces").	49	594	36	491 note
May 28	156	1 (1st, 3d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	49	1169	36	121a, 122, 135
June 15	471 .....	.....	49	1390	36	111-120
June 23	546 .....	.....	49	1501	36	139-139b
1937 June 14	736 .....	.....	49	1895	36	147, 148
June 28	336 .....	.....	50	257	36	5305-5308
Aug. 4	396	1 (1st, 3d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	50	331	36	121a, 122, 135
Aug. 16	564 .....	.....	50	558	36	57-59
Aug. 25	666 .....	.....	50	668	36	149
1938 Mar. 28	762 .....	.....	50	798	36	3201, 3201 note, 3202-3209
May 23	56 .....	.....	52	148	36	150
June 29	259	1 (1st, 3d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	52	412	36	121a, 122, 135
1939 Mar. 16	796 .....	.....	52	1226	36	5401, 5402
May 11	11	1 (1st, 3d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	53	525	36	121a, 122, 135
1940 Apr. 18	123 .....	.....	53	739	36	151
June 6	107	1 (1st, 3d, last provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	54	113	36	121a, 122, 135
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Oct. 10	730	54	960	36	149 note
1941 Apr. 5	840	54	1093	36	151a
1942 June 22	40	1 (provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	55	95	36	121a, 122, 135
June 27	435 .....	.....	56	377	36	171-178
July 15	450	1 (provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	56	395	36	121a, 122, 135
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June 26	145	101 (provisos in par. under heading “American Battle Monuments Commission”).	57	171	36	121a, 122, 135
1944						
June 27	286	101 (provisos in par. under heading “American Battle Monuments Commission”).	58	363	36	121a, 122, 135
1945						
May 3	106	101 (provisos in par. under heading “American Battle Monuments Commission”).	59	107	36	121a, 122, 135
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Dec. 28	607	59	668	36	172
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May 8	50	61	80	36	1 note, 1a, 2, 3, 4a, 5, 9
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May 11	182	64	158	36	169g
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Aug. 30	823	1–13, 15–21	64	563, 566	36	271–283, 285–291
Sept. 6	896	101 (last proviso in par. under heading “American Battle Monuments Commission”).	64	699	36	122
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July 30	255	65	130	36	18a
Aug. 17	328	65	192	36	36
Aug. 31	376	101 (provisos in 1st par. under heading “American Battle Monuments Commission”).	65	269	36	122
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June 29	226	(provisos in pars. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	69	194	36	121b, 122, 122a
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Aug. 9 1956	658		69	589	36	426
Mar. 29	102		70	60	36	4707
June 13	385	(provisos in par. under heading "American Battle Monuments Commission").	70	278	36	121b, 122, 122a
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