Public Law 98-584
98th Congress

An Act

To recognize the organization known as the Women's Army Corps Veterans' Association.

Oct. 30, 1984
[H.R. 4966]

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

CHARTER

SECTION 1. The Women's Army Corps Veterans' Association, a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, is recognized as such and is granted a Federal charter.

Corporation.
36 USC 3101.

POWERS

SEC. 2. The Women's Army Corp Veterans' Association (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "corporation"), shall have only those powers granted to it through its bylaws and articles of incorporation filed in the States in which it is incorporated, and subject to the laws of such States.

36 USC 3102.

OBJECTS AND PURPOSES OF CORPORATION

SEC. 3. The objects and purposes of the corporation are those provided in its articles of incorporation and shall include a continuing commitment on a national basis to—

(1) promote the general welfare of all veterans, especially women veterans, who have served or are serving in the United States Army, the Army Reserve, and the Army National Guard;

(2) recognize outstanding women in college ROTC units throughout the United States; and

(3) provide services and support to patients in Veterans' Administration Hospitals throughout the United States.

36 USC 3103.

SERVICE OF PROCESS

SEC. 4. With respect to service of process, the corporation shall comply with the laws of the States in which it is incorporated and in which it carries on activities in furtherance of its corporate purposes.

36 USC 3104.

MEMBERSHIP

SEC. 5. Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members shall be as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

36 USC 3105.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SEC. 6. The board of directors of the corporation and the responsibilities thereof shall be as provided in the articles of incorporation of

36 USC 3106.

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the corporation and in conformity with the laws of the States in which it is incorporated.

OFFICERS

36 USC 3107.

SEC. 7. The officers of the corporation and the election of such officers shall be as provided in the articles of incorporation of the corporation and shall be in conformity with the laws of the States in which it is incorporated.

RESTRICTIONS ON CORPORATE POWERS

36 USC 3108.

SEC. 8. (a) No part of the income or assets of the corporation may inure to any member, officer, or director of the corporation or be distributed to any such individual during the life of this charter. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to the officers of the corporation or reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses in amounts approved by the board of directors.

(b) The corporation may not make any loan to any officer, director, or employee of the corporation.

(c) Neither the corporation nor any officer or director thereof may contribute to, support, or otherwise participate in any political activity or attempt in any manner to influence legislation.

(d) The corporation shall have no power to issue any shares of stock or to declare or pay any dividends.

(e) The corporation shall not claim the approval or authorization of the Federal Government for any of its activities.

LIABILITY

36 USC 3109.

SEC. 9. The corporation shall be liable for the acts of its officers and agents when acting within the scope of their authority.

BOOKS AND RECORDS; INSPECTION

36 USC 3110.

SEC. 10. The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of accounts and shall keep minutes of any proceeding of the corporation involving any of its members, the board of directors, or any committee having authority under the board of directors. The corporation shall keep at its principal office a record of the names and addresses of all members having the right to vote in any proceeding of the corporation. All books and records of such corporation may be inspected by any member having the right to vote in any corporation proceeding, or by any agent or attorney of such member, for any proper purpose at any reasonable time. Nothing in this section shall be construed to contravene any applicable State law.

AUDIT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

SEC. 11. The first section of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for audit of accounts of private corporations established under Federal law", approved August 30, 1964 (36 U.S.C. 1101), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"(64) Women's Army Corps Veterans' Association.".

ANNUAL REPORT

SEC. 12. The corporation shall report annually to the Congress concerning the activities of the corporation during the preceding fiscal year. Such annual report shall be submitted at the same time as the report of the audit of the corporation required by section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for audit of accounts of private corporations established under Federal law", approved August 30, 1964 (36 U.S.C. 1101). The report shall not be printed as a public document. 36 USC 3111.

RESERVATION OF RIGHT TO AMEND OR REPEAL CHARTER

SEC. 13. The right to amend or repeal this Act is expressly reserved to the Congress. Congress. 36 USC 3112.

DEFINITION OF "STATE"

SEC. 14. For purposes of this Act, the term "State" includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the territories and possessions of the United States. 36 USC 3113.

TAX-EXEMPT STATUS

SEC. 15. The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from taxation as provided in the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. If the corporation fails to maintain such status, the charter granted by this Act shall expire. 36 USC 3114.

TERMINATION

SEC. 16. If the corporation fails to comply with any of the restrictions or provisions of this Act, the charter granted by this Act shall expire. 36 USC 3115.

Approved October 30, 1984.

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