

A. **Title:** Requested amendment to **Article XIII Section 1** of the Council and VMC bylaws.

B. **Rational:** In order to clarify the role of the Boards of Directors of each organization in the bylaw's amendment process.

C. **Current section wording:**

### **ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.** Amendments to these bylaws may be recommended to the Board of Director by any lifetime member in good standing by submitting a written proposal that includes:

- 1) a short title for reference
- 2) the rationale for the change
- 3) the current section wording
- 4) the proposed section wording.

The proposed change(s) will be submitted to the General Membership in advance of the meeting to be reviewed.

The proposal will then be read at the next General Membership Meeting as new business and adopted if approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present. Any member may request that consideration of the proposal be delayed for one meeting to allow for proper review and consideration. That request shall be granted, and the proposal will be considered at the next General Membership Meeting. Only one such delay may be granted for any proposal. Revising a proposal does not constitute a new proposal.

#### **D. Proposed section wording:**

### **ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.** Amendments to these bylaws may be recommended to the Board of Directors by way of the Secretary of the Board of Directors, by any individual member in good standing by submitting a written proposal that includes:

- 1) a short title for reference
- 2) the rationale for the change
- 3) the current section wording
- 4) the proposed section wording

The proposed amendment will be sent to the Board of Directors members prior to the meeting for review. The member making the proposed amendment will attend that portion of the Board meeting to respond to questions about the proposal.

The Board may make suggestions for modification of the amendment at which time the member may:

- 1) agree and make the recommended changes. The amendment with the changes will be presented to the membership for a vote.
- 2) disagree with the changes and the amendment, as is, will be presented to the membership for a vote.
- 3) rescind the proposed amendment.

After recording the Board of Directors' recommendation, the proposed change(s) will be submitted to the General Membership in advance of the meeting to be reviewed.

The proposal will then be read at the next General Membership Meeting as new business and adopted if approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present. Any member may request that consideration of the proposal be delayed for one meeting to allow for proper review and consideration. That request shall be granted, and the proposal will be considered at the next General Membership Meeting. Only one such delay may be granted for any proposal. Revising a proposal does not constitute a new proposal.