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## Historic Fire Station 62 is a Mar Vista Community Asset

A decade long citizens' campaign saved Historic Fire Station 62 from the wrecking ball.
Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 is a grass roots group of Mar Vista neighbors, community groups, business owners and other committed individuals, foundations, and non-profit organizations whose goal is to create Mar Vista's first community center.

The Bill Rosendahl Community Center at Historic Fire Station 62 will be designed to serve as a focal point for education, civic engagement, and cultural enrichment for residents of all ages
 in our richly diverse community.

## This Community Asset is Ready for its New Purpose

Historic Fire Station 62 sits at the corner of Centinela and Windward Avenues, attractively located in the heart of Mar Vista.
Historic 62 kept Westside neighborhoods safe and secure from the 1940s to 2007 when the new, larger and technologically-advanced Fire Station 62 on Venice Boulevard was dedicated.
It is ready for it's second life serving the greater Mar Vista Community.


Photo by Roy Persinko

## There is Much Work to be Done to Realize the Dream

Historic Fire Station 62 was subject to squatters, vandalism, and looting.

Shortly after the building was abandoned, vandals broke into the unsecured space and spray-painted walls, stole copper pipes and wiring, destroyed bathroom and shower fixtures, and otherwise left it a mess.

The building is now fenced, lighted and the windows are boarded, but it is still subject to periodic attempts to squat on the property and break into the building.
Through all this, your dedicated neighbors with the Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 have kept watch and worked to maintain the property.

Because underneath these cosmetic issues, the building is structurally sound and built to last.


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## This Community Asset has a Space for Everyone in Mar Vista

The Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 have commissioned a highly detailed scope of work for the physical renewal of the building, prepared by a firm specializing in disaster recovery construction.
We can already imagine that once restored the spaces will accommodate a wide range of community activities.

- The Fire Truck Bay will provide a ready made, large gathering space with natural light.
- The kitchen and dining room will enable cooking classes, catering and other events.
- The smaller locker room, bunk room, and offices will provide ample meeting and smaller activity stations for local organizations to gather.
- The surrounding grounds could provide space for movies, pickleball, picnics and gardens.


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## We Welcome Input and Ideas from our Vibrant Community

The Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 have been in continual conversation with our Mar Vista neighbors about how to re-activate the building to provide our diverse, and inclusive, community with meeting and activity spaces.
Groups who have expressed interest in partnering or using our space include:

- Mar Vista Community Council, CRASH Space, Girl Scouts, Community Emergency Response Teams, Ocean View Farms North Venice Little League, Mar Vista Historical Society
- Classes and activities include yoga, exercise and dance classes, after school programming, summer evening family movies, art exhibits, music and spoken word performances Workshops in 3D printing and limitless other possibilities.



## We are Grateful for the Support of Council District 11

From the beginning, City of Los Angeles Councilmember Bill Rosendahl pitched in to obtain use of the building and property for Mar Vista's first community center.

Support from CD 11 has never waivered.
Now Traci Park has backed the efforts of the community to revitalize this building in support of our community.

Community leaders formed a 501 (c) (3), Friends of Historic Fire Station 62, to raise charitable funds to re-purpose the Station.


## We are Seeking Funding to Support the Renovation and Revitalization

The renovation is estimated to cost more than $\$ 3$ million dollars.

We hope to raise up to $\$ 1$ million from our Mar Vista Community.
We are exploring partnerships with local organizations and foundations.
You can help by making a tax-deductible contribution to Friends of Historic Fire Station 62.


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## Together We Can Do This!


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## Articles of Incorporation

I

The name of the corporation is Friends of Historic Fire Station 62
II
A. This corporation is a nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for:
( ) public purposes.
or ( ) charitable purposes.
or ( $x$ ) public and charitable purposes.
B. The specific purpose of this corporation is to restore, revitalize and operate the Historic Mar Vista Fire Station 62 as a multipurpose community center for the general public.

## III

The name and address in the State of California of this corporation's initial agent for service of process is:

| Name: | Rachel M. Swanger |
| :--- | :--- |
| Address: | 3604 Colonial Ave |
|  | Los Angeles, CALIFORNIA 90066-2711 |

## IV

A. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).
B. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

## V

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).


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Directors shall serve without compensation. However, they shall be allowed reimbursement of approved and budgeted expenses incurred in the performance of their regular duties as specified in Section 3 of this Article.

Directors may not be compensated for rendering services to the corporation in any capacity other than director unless such other compensation is reasonable and is allowable under the provisions of Section 6 of this Article. Any payments to directors shall be approved in advance in accordance with this corporation's conflict of interest policy, as set forth in Article 9 of these bylaws.

## SECTION 6. RESTRICTION REGARDING INTERESTED DIRECTORS

Notwithstanding any other provision of these bylaws, not more than forty-nine percent (49\%) of the persons serving on the board may be interested persons. For purposes of this Section, "interested persons" means either:
(a) Any person currently being compensated by the corporation for services rendered it within the previous twelve (12) months, whether as a full- or part-time officer or other employee, independent contractor, or otherwise, excluding any reasonable compensation paid to a director as director; or
(b) Any brother, sister, ancestor, descendant, spouse, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, or father-in-law of any such person.

## SECTION 7. PLACE OF MEETINGS

Meetings shall be held at the principal office of the corporation unless otherwise provided by the board.

Any meeting may be held by conference telephone, electronic video screen communication, or other remote communications equipment so long as all directors participating in the meeting are able to hear one another, each director is provided the means of participating in all matters before the board and it is possible to verify that all persons participating in the meeting are directors of the corporation.

## SECTION 8. ANNUAL MEETINGS

The annual meeting of the board of directors shall be held on the first Thursday of September at 7 pm . Directors shall be elected by the board of directors in accordance with this section. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes up to the number of directors to be elected shall be elected. Each director shall cast one vote for each available seat with voting being by ballot only.

## SECTION 9. SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special meetings of the board of directors may be called by the chairperson of the board, the president, the vice president, the secretary, or by any two directors, and such meetings shall be held at a place within the boundaries of Mar Vista.

## SECTION 10. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Regularly scheduled meetings of the board may be held without special notice. Special meetings of the board shall be held upon seven (7) days' notice. Such notices shall be addressed to each director at his or her address as shown on the books of the corporation.

## SECTION 11. CONTENTS OF NOTICE

Notice of meetings shall specify the place, day, and hour of the meeting. The purpose of any board meeting need not be specified in the notice.

## SECTION 12. WAIVER OF NOTICE AND CONSENT TO HOLDING MEETINGS

The transactions of any meeting of the board, however called and noticed or wherever held, are as valid as though the meeting had been duly held after proper call and notice, provided a quorum, as hereinafter defined, is present and provided that either before or after the meeting each director not present signs a waiver of notice, a consent to holding the meeting, or an approval of the minutes thereof. All such waivers, consents, or approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

## SECTION 13. QUORUM FOR MEETINGS

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the board of directors as long as a majority of them reside within the boundaries of Mar Vista and at least one representative from within 1500 feet is in attendance.

No business shall be considered by the board at any meeting at which a quorum is not present, and the only motion which the chair shall entertain at such a meeting is a motion to adjourn.

## SECTION 14. MAJORITY ACTION AS BOARD ACTION

Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present at a meeting duly held at which a quorum is present is the act of the board of directors, unless the articles of incorporation or bylaws of this corporation, or provisions of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law, particularly those provisions relating to appointment of committees (Section 5212), approval of contracts or transactions in which a director has a material financial interest (Section 5233), and indemnification of directors (Section 5238e), require a greater percentage or different voting rules for approval of a matter by the board.

## SECTION 15. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

Meetings of the board of directors shall be presided over by the chairperson of the board, or, if no such person has been so designated or, in his or her absence, the president of the corporation or, in his or her absence, by the vice president of the corporation or, in the absence of each of these persons, by a chairperson chosen by a majority of the directors present at the meeting. The secretary of the corporation shall act as secretary of all meetings of the board, provided that, in his or her absence, the presiding officer shall appoint another person to act as secretary of the meeting.

Meetings shall be governed by Rosenberg's Rules of Order. Such rules may be revised from time to time, insofar as such rules are not inconsistent with or in conflict with these bylaws, with the articles of incorporation of this corporation, or with provisions of law.

## SECTION 16. ACTION BY UNANIMOUS WRITTEN CONSENT WITHOUT MEETING

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the board of directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. For the purposes of this Section only, "all members of the board" shall not include any "interested director" as defined in Section 5233 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board. Such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as the unanimous vote of the directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the board of directors without a meeting and that the bylaws of this corporation authorize the directors to so act, and such statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

## SECTION 17. VACANCIES

Vacancies on the board of directors shall exist (1) on the death, resignation, or removal of any director, and (2) whenever the number of authorized directors is increased.

Should a director be declared of unsound mind by a final order of the court, or convicted of a felony, or been found by a final order or judgment of any court to have breached any duty under Section 5230 and following of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law, he or she is no longer eligible to serve as a director and is automatically removed from office.

Directors may be removed without cause by a majority of the directors then in office.
Any director may resign effective upon giving written notice to the chairperson of the board or a his/her representative., the president, the secretary, or the board of directors, unless the notice specifies a later time for the effectiveness of such resignation. No director may resign if the corporation would then be left without a duly elected director or directors in charge of its affairs, except upon notice to the attorney general.

Vacancies on the board may be filled by approval of the board or, if the number of directors then in office is less than a quorum, by (1) the unanimous written consent of the directors then in office, (2) the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office at a meeting held pursuant to notice or waivers of notice complying with this Article of these bylaws, or (3) a sole remaining director. If this corporation has members, however, vacancies created by the removal of a director may be filled only by the approval of the members.

A person elected to fill a vacancy as provided by this Section shall hold office until the next annual election of the board of directors.

## SECTION 18. NONLIABILITY OF DIRECTORS

The directors shall not be personally liable for the debts, liabilities, or other obligations of the corporation.

## SECTION 19. INDEMNIFICATION BY CORPORATION OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AND OTHER AGENTS

To the extent that a person who is, or was, a director, officer, employee, or other agent of this corporation has been successful on the merits in defense of any civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative proceeding brought to procure a judgment against such person by reason of the fact that he or she is, or was, an agent of the corporation, or has been successful in defense of any claim, issue, or matter, therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such proceeding.

If such person either settles any such claim or sustains a judgment against him or her, then indemnification against expenses, judgments, fines, settlements, and other amounts reasonably incurred in connection with such proceedings shall be provided by this corporation but only to the extent allowed by, and in accordance with the requirements of, Section 5238 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law.

## SECTION 20. INSURANCE FOR CORPORATE AGENTS

The board of directors may adopt a resolution authorizing the purchase and maintenance of insurance on behalf of any agent of the corporation (including a director, officer, employee, or other agent of the corporation) against any liability other than for violating provisions of law relating to self-
dealing (Section 5233 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law) asserted against or incurred by the agent in such capacity or arising out of the agent's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify the agent against such liability under the provisions of Section 5238 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law.

## ARTICLE 4

## OFFICERS

## SECTION 1. NUMBER OF OFFICERS

The officers of the corporation shall be a president, a secretary, and a chief financial officer who shall be designated the treasurer. The corporation may also have, as determined by the board of directors, a chairperson of the board, one or more vice presidents, assistant secretaries, assistant treasurers, or other officers. Any number of offices may be held by the same person except that neither the secretary nor the treasurer may serve as the president or chairperson of the board.

## SECTION 2. QUALIFICATION, ELECTION, AND TERM OF OFFICE

Nomination: Any member of the Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 Board of Directors or the MVCC Board of Directors may place a name in nomination for consideration for a position on the Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 Board of Directors. Nominations must be submitted to the Nominating Committee at least one month prior to the date of the election.

Review : The Nominating Committee will review all nominations to ensure their suitability for service. The Nominating Committee will consist of 3 members of the Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 Board of Directors as follows: one member of the MVCC Board of Directors; one member residing within a 1500 ft . radius of the station and one additional member.

Approval: The Nominating Committee will propose a ballot slate which shall contain at least one candidate for each open slot. This slate of candidates along with their short bios shall be submitted to the members of the Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 Board of Directors at least 1 week prior to the election.

The candidates receiving the highest number of votes up to the number of directors to be elected shall be elected. Each director shall cast one vote for each open position with voting being by written ballot only.

## SECTION 3. SUBORDINATE OFFICERS

The board of directors may appoint such other officers or agents as it may deem desirable, and such officers shall serve such terms, have such authority, and perform such duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the board of directors.

## SECTION 4. REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION

Any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by the board of directors, at any time. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the board of directors or to the president or secretary of the corporation. Any such resignation shall take effect at the date of receipt of such notice or at any later date specified therein, and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. The above provisions of this Section shall be superseded by any conflicting terms of a contract which has been approved or ratified by the board of directors relating to the employment of any officer of the corporation.

## SECTION 5. VACANCIES

Any vacancy caused by the death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise, of any officer shall be filled by the board of directors. In the event of a vacancy in any office other than that of president, such vacancy may be filled temporarily by appointment by the president until such time as the board shall fill the vacancy. Vacancies occurring in offices of officers appointed at the discretion of the board may or may not be filled as the board shall determine.

## SECTION 6. DUTIES OF PRESIDENT

The president shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall, subject to the control of the board of directors, supervise and control the affairs of the corporation and the activities of the officers. He or she shall perform all duties incident to his or her office and such other duties as may be required by law, by the articles of incorporation of this corporation, or by these bylaws, or which may be prescribed from time to time by the board of directors. Unless another person is specifically appointed as chairperson of the board of directors, he or she shall preside at all meetings of the board of directors. If applicable, the president shall preside at all meetings of the members. Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, by the articles of incorporation, or by these bylaws, he or she shall, in the name of the corporation, execute such deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, checks, or other instruments which may from time to time be authorized by the board of directors.

## SECTION 7. DUTIES OF VICE PRESIDENT

In the absence of the president, or in the event of his or her inability or refusal to act, the vice president shall perform all the duties of the president, and when so acting shall have all the powers of, and be subject to all the restrictions on, the president. The vice president shall have other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law, by the articles of incorporation, or by these bylaws, or as may be prescribed by the board of directors.

## SECTION 8. DUTIES OF SECRETARY

The secretary shall:
Certify and keep at the principal office of the corporation the original, or a copy of these bylaws as amended or otherwise altered to date.

Keep at the principal office of the corporation or at such other place as the board may determine, a book of minutes of all meetings of the directors, and, if applicable, meetings of committees of directors and of members, recording therein the time and place of holding, whether regular or special, how called, how notice thereof was given, the names of those present or represented at the meeting, and the proceedings thereof.

Ensure that the minutes of meetings of the corporation, any written consents approving action taken without a meeting, and any supporting documents pertaining to meetings, minutes, and consents shall be contemporaneously recorded in the corporate records of this corporation.
"Contemporaneously" in this context means that the minutes, consents, and supporting documents shall be recorded in the records of this corporation by the later of (1) the next meeting of the board, committee, membership, or other body for which the minutes, consents, or supporting documents are being recorded, or (2) sixty (60) days after the date of the meeting or written consent.

See that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws or as required by law.

Be custodian of the records and of the seal of the corporation and see that the seal is affixed to all duly executed documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is authorized by law or these bylaws.

Keep at the principal office of the corporation a Board of Directors book containing the name and address of each and any director and, in the case where any directorship has been terminated, the secretary shall record such fact in the book together with the date on which such directorship ceased.
Exhibit at all reasonable times to any director of the corporation, or to his or her agent or attorney, on request therefor, the bylaws, the Board of Directors book, and the minutes of the proceedings of the directors of the corporation.

In general, perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as may be required by law, by the articles of incorporation of this corporation, or by these bylaws, or which may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the board of directors.

## SECTION 9. DUTIES OF TREASURER

Subject to the provisions of these bylaws relating to the "Execution of Instruments, Deposits, and Funds," the treasurer shall:
Have charge and custody of, and be responsible for, all funds and securities of the corporation, and deposit all such funds in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected by the board of directors.

Receive, and give receipt for, monies due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever.

Disburse, or cause to be disbursed, the funds of the corporation as may be directed by the board of directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements.

Keep and maintain adequate and correct accounts of the corporation's properties and business transactions, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains, and losses.

Exhibit at all reasonable times the books of account and financial records to any director of the corporation, or to his or her agent or attorney, on request therefor.

Render to the president and directors, whenever requested, an account of any or all of his or her transactions as treasurer and of the financial condition of the corporation.

Prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify, or cause to be certified, the financial statements to be included in any required reports.

In general, perform all duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as may be required by law, by the articles of incorporation of the corporation, or by these bylaws, or which may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the board of directors.

## SECTION 10. COMPENSATION

Directors will constitute all officers of the Corporation and as such will serve without compensation.

The salaries of the officers, if any, shall be fixed from time to time by resolution of the board of directors, and no officer shall be prevented from receiving such salary by reason of the fact that he or she is also a director of the corporation, provided, however, that such compensation paid a director for serving as an officer of this corporation shall only be allowed if permitted under the provisions of Article 3, Section 6, of these bylaws. In all cases, any salaries received by officers of this corporation shall be reasonable and given in return for services actually rendered for the corporation which relate to the performance of the charitable or public purposes of this corporation. All officer salaries shall be approved in advance in accordance with this corporation's conflict of interest policy, as set forth in Article 9 of these bylaws.

## ARTICLE 5

## COMMITTEES

## SECTION 1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD

The board of directors may, by a majority vote of directors, designate two (2) or more of its members (who may also be serving as officers of this corporation) to constitute an executive committee of the board and delegate to such committee any of the powers and authority of the board in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, except with respect to:
(a) The approval of any action which, under law or the provisions of these bylaws, requires the approval of the members or of a majority of all of the members.
(b) The filling of vacancies on the board or on any committee that has the authority of the board.
(c) The fixing of compensation of the directors for serving on the board or on any committee.
(d) The amendment or repeal of bylaws or the adoption of new bylaws.
(e) The amendment or repeal or any resolution of the board which by its express terms is not so amendable or repealable.
(f) The appointment of committees of the board or the members thereof.
(g) The expenditure of corporate funds to support a nominee for director after there are more people nominated for director than can be elected.
(h) The approval of any transaction to which this corporation is a party and in which one or more of the directors has a material financial interest, except as expressly provided in Section 5233(d)(3) of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law.

By a majority vote of its members then in office, the board may at any time revoke or modify any or all of the authority so delegated, increase or decrease but not below two (2) the number of its members, and fill vacancies therein from the members of the board. The committee shall keep regular minutes of its proceedings, cause them to be filed with the corporate records, and report the same to the board from time to time as the board may require.

## SECTION 2. OTHER COMMITTEES

The corporation shall have such other committees as may from time to time be designated by resolution of the board of directors. Such other committees may consist of persons who are not also members of the board. These additional committees shall act in an advisory capacity only to the board and shall be clearly titled as "advisory" committees.

## SECTION 3. MEETINGS AND ACTION OF COMMITTEES

Meetings and action of committees shall be governed by, noticed, held, and taken in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws concerning meetings of the board of directors, with such changes in the context of such bylaw provisions as are necessary to substitute the committee and its members for the board of directors and its members, except that the time for regular meetings of committees may be fixed by resolution of the board of directors or by the committee. The time for special meetings of committees may also be fixed by the board of directors. The board of directors may also adopt rules and regulations pertaining to the conduct of meetings of committees to the extent that such rules and regulations are not inconsistent with the provisions of these bylaws.

## ARTICLE 6

EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS, DEPOSITS, AND FUNDS

## SECTION 1. EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS

The board of directors, except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, may by resolution authorize any officer or agent of the corporation to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Unless so authorized, no officer, agent, or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the corporation by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable monetarily for any purpose or in any amount.

## SECTION 2. CHECKS AND NOTES

Except as otherwise specifically determined by resolution of the board of directors, or as otherwise required by law, checks, drafts, promissory notes, orders for the payment of money, and other evidence of indebtedness of the corporation shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the president of the corporation.

## SECTION 3. DEPOSITS

All funds of the corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the board of directors may select.

## SECTION 4. GIFTS

The board of directors may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the charitable or public purposes of this corporation.

## ARTICLE 7

## CORPORATE RECORDS, REPORTS, AND SEAL

## SECTION 1. MAINTENANCE OF CORPORATE RECORDS

The corporation shall keep at its principal office in the State of California:
(a) Minutes of all meetings of directors, committees of the board, and, if this corporation has members, of all meetings of members, indicating the time and place of holding such meetings, whether regular or special, how called, the notice given, and the names of those present and the proceedings thereof;
(b) Adequate and correct books and records of account, including accounts of its properties and business transactions and accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains, and losses;
(c) A copy of the corporation's articles of incorporation and bylaws as amended to date, which shall be open to inspection by the members, if any, of the corporation at all reasonable times during office hours.

## SECTION 2. CORPORATE SEAL

The board of directors may adopt, use, and at will alter, a corporate seal. Such seal shall be kept at the principal office of the corporation. Failure to affix the seal to corporate instruments, however, shall not affect the validity of any such instrument.

## SECTION 3. DIRECTORS' INSPECTION RIGHTS

Every director shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect and copy all books, records, and documents of every kind and to inspect the physical properties of the corporation.

## SECTION 4. RIGHT TO COPY AND MAKE EXTRACTS

Any inspection under the provisions of this Article may be made in person or by agent or attorney and the right to inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts.

## SECTION 5 ANNUAL REPORT

The board shall cause an annual report to be furnished not later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the close of the corporation's fiscal year to all directors of the corporation and, if this corporation has members, to any member who requests it in writing, which report shall contain the following information in appropriate detail:
(a) The assets and liabilities, including the trust funds, of the corporation as of the end of the fiscal year;
(b) The principal changes in assets and liabilities, including trust funds, during the fiscal year;
(c) The revenue or receipts of the corporation, both unrestricted and restricted to particular purposes, for the fiscal year;
(d) The expenses or disbursements of the corporation, for both general and restricted purposes, during the fiscal year;
(e) Any information required by Section 7 of this Article.

The annual report shall be accompanied by any report thereon of independent accountants, or, if there is no such report, the certificate of an authorized officer of the corporation that such statements were prepared without audit from the books and records of the corporation.

## ARTICLE 8

## FISCAL YEAR

## SECTION 1. FISCAL YEAR OF THE CORPORATION

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the $1^{\text {st }}$ of January and end on the $31^{\text {st }}$ of December in each year.

## ARTICLE 9

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND COMPENSATION APPROVAL POLICIES

## SECTION 1. PURPOSE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

The purpose of this conflict of interest policy is to protect this tax-exempt corporation's interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the corporation or any "disqualified person" as defined in Section 4958(f)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code and as amplified by Section 53.4958-3 of the IRS Regulations and which might result in a possible "excess benefit transaction" as defined in Section 4958(c)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code and as amplified by Section 53.4958 of the IRS Regulations. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable organizations.

## SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

## (a) Interested Person.

Any director, principal officer, member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, or any other person who is a "disqualified person" as defined in Section 4958(f)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code and as amplified by Section 53.4958-3 of the IRS Regulations, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.
(b) Financial Interest.

A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:
(1) an ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the corporation has a transaction or arrangement,
(2) a compensation arrangement with the corporation or with any entity or individual with which the corporation has a transaction or arrangement, or
(3) a potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the corporation is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Section 3, paragraph b, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

## SECTION 3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST AVOIDANCE PRODEDURES

(a) Duty to Disclose.

In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.
(b) Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists.

After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.
(c) Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest.

An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.

The chairperson of the governing board or committee shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.

After exercising due diligence, the governing board or committee shall determine whether the corporation can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.

If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the governing board or committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the corporation's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination, it shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement.

## (d) Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy.

If the governing board or committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.

If, after hearing the member's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

## SECTION 4. RECORDS OF BOARD AND BOARD COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

The minutes of meetings of the governing board and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain:
(a) The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the governing board's or committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.
(b) The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

## SECTION 5. COMPENSATION APPROVAL POLICIES

A voting member of the governing board who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the corporation for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.

A voting member of any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the corporation for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.

No voting member of the governing board or any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the corporation, either individually or collectively, is prohibited from providing information to any committee regarding compensation.

When approving compensation for directors, officers and employees, contractors, and any other compensation contract or arrangement, in addition to complying with the conflict of interest requirements and policies contained in the preceding and following sections of this article as well as the preceding paragraphs of this section of this article, the board or a duly constituted compensation committee of the board shall also comply with the following additional requirements and procedures:
(a) the terms of compensation shall be approved by the board or compensation committee prior to the first payment of compensation.
(b) all members of the board or compensation committee who approve compensation arrangements must not have a conflict of interest with respect to the compensation arrangement as specified in IRS Regulation Section 53.4958-6(c)(iii), which generally requires that each board member or committee member approving a compensation arrangement between this organization and a "disqualified person" (as defined in Section 4958(f)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code and as amplified by Section 53.4958-3 of the IRS Regulations):

1. is not the person who is the subject of compensation arrangement, or a family member of such person;
2. is not in an employment relationship subject to the direction or control of the person who is the subject of compensation arrangement
3. does not receive compensation or other payments subject to approval by the person who is the subject of compensation arrangement
4. has no material financial interest affected by the compensation arrangement; and
5. does not approve a transaction providing economic benefits to the person who is the subject of the compensation arrangement, who in turn has approved or will approve a transaction providing benefits to the board or committee member.
(c) the board or compensation committee shall obtain and rely upon appropriate data as to comparability prior to approving the terms of compensation. Appropriate data may include the following:
6. compensation levels paid by similarly situated organizations, both taxable and tax-exempt, for functionally comparable positions. "Similarly situated" organizations are those of a similar size and purpose and with similar resources
7. the availability of similar services in the geographic area of this organization
8. current compensation surveys compiled by independent firms
9. actual written offers from similar institutions competing for the services of the person who is the subject of the compensation arrangement.

As allowed by IRS Regulation 4958-6, if this organization has average annual gross receipts (including contributions) for its three prior tax years of less than $\$ 1$ million, the board or compensation committee will have obtained and relied upon appropriate data as to comparability if it obtains and relies upon data on compensation paid by three comparable organizations in the same or similar communities for similar services.
(d) the terms of compensation and the basis for approving them shall be recorded in written minutes of the meeting of the board or compensation committee that approved the compensation. Such documentation shall include:

1. the terms of the compensation arrangement and the date it was approved
2. the members of the board or compensation committee who were present during debate on the transaction, those who voted on it, and the votes cast by each board or committee member
3. the comparability data obtained and relied upon and how the data was obtained.
4. If the board or compensation committee determines that reasonable compensation for a specific position in this organization or for providing services under any other compensation arrangement with this organization is higher or lower than the range of comparability data obtained, the board or committee shall record in the minutes of the meeting the basis for its determination.
5. If the board or committee makes adjustments to comparability data due to geographic area or other specific conditions, these adjustments and the reasons for them shall be recorded in the minutes of the board or committee meeting.
6. Any actions taken with respect to determining if a board or committee member had a conflict of interest with respect to the compensation arrangement, and if so, actions taken to make sure the member with the conflict of interest did not affect or participate in the approval of the transaction (for example, a notation in the records that after a finding of conflict of interest by a member, the member with the conflict of interest was asked to, and did, leave the meeting prior to a discussion of the compensation arrangement and a taking of the votes to approve the arrangement).
7. The minutes of board or committee meetings at which compensation arrangements are approved must be prepared before the later of the date of the next board or committee meeting or 60 days after the final actions of the board or committee are taken with respect to the approval of the compensation arrangements. The minutes must be reviewed and approved by the board and committee as reasonable, accurate, and complete within a reasonable period thereafter, normally prior to or at the next board or committee meeting following final action on the arrangement by the board or committee.

## SECTION 6. ANNUAL STATEMENTS

Each director, principal officer, and member of a committee with governing board delegated powers shall annually sign a statement which affirms such person:
(a) has received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy,
(b) has read and understands the policy,
(c) has agreed to comply with the policy, and
(d) understands the corporation is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

## SECTION 7. PERIODIC REVIEWS

To ensure the corporation operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects:
(a) Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information, and the result of arm's-length bargaining.
(b) Whether partnerships, joint ventures, and arrangements with management organizations conform to the corporation's written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further charitable purposes, and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit, or in an excess benefit transaction.

## SECTION 8. USE OF OUTSIDE EXPERTS

When conducting the periodic reviews as provided for in Section 7, the corporation may, but need not, use outside advisors. If outside experts are used, their use shall not relieve the governing board of its responsibility for ensuring periodic reviews are conducted.

## ARTICLE 10

## AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

## SECTION 1. AMENDMENT

Subject to any provision of law applicable to the amendment of bylaws of public benefit nonprofit corporations, these bylaws, or any of them, may be altered, amended, or repealed and new bylaws adopted by approval of a super majority of the board of directors.

## ARTICLE 11

## AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

## SECTION 1. CERTAIN AMENDMENTS

Notwithstanding the above sections of this Article, this corporation shall not amend its articles of incorporation to alter any statement which appears in the original articles of incorporation of the names and addresses of the first directors of this corporation, nor the name and address of its initial agent, except to correct an error in such statement or to delete such statement after the corporation
has filed a "Statement by a Domestic Nonprofit Corporation" pursuant to Section 6210 of the California Nonprofit Corporation Law.

## ARTICLE 12 <br> PROHIBITION AGAINST SHARING CORPORATE PROFITS AND ASSETS

## SECTION 1. PROHIBITION AGAINST SHARING CORPORATE PROFITS AND ASSETS

No director, officer, employee, or other person connected with this corporation, or any private individual, shall receive at any time any of the net earnings or pecuniary profit from the operations of the corporation, provided, however, that this provision shall not prevent payment to any such person of reasonable compensation for services performed for the corporation in effecting any of its public or charitable purposes, provided that such compensation is otherwise permitted by these bylaws and is fixed by resolution of the board of directors; and no such person or persons shall be entitled to share in the distribution of, and shall not receive, any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation.

## WRITTEN CONSENT OF DIRECTORS ADOPTING BYLAWS

We, the undersigned, are all of the persons acting as the initial directors of

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a California nonprofit corporation, and, pursuant to the authority granted to the directors by these bylaws to take action by unanimous written consent without a meeting, consent to, and hereby do, adopt the foregoing bylaws, consisting of 17 pages, as the bylaws of this corporation.

Dated: $\qquad$
$\qquad$ , Director, President
Albert Olson
$\qquad$ , Director, Treasurer
Rachel M. Swanger
$\qquad$
Robert H. Bridges
$\qquad$ , Director
Sharon Commins
$\qquad$ , Director
Judith Deutsch

## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the bylaws of the corporation named in the title thereto and that such bylaws were duly adopted by the board of directors of said corporation on the date set forth below.

Dated: $\qquad$
$\qquad$ , Secretary

