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ARTICLE II
MANAGEMENT

SECTION 3. All vacancies existing in the Executive Committee, or in any office of this Post, shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee. A person so appointed shall hold the office for the unexpired term of the Executive Committee member whom he/she succeeds. A vacancy shall exist on the Executive Committee when a member or Officer is absent from his/her post for a period of three (3) consecutive meetings. Before such action is taken the party involved shall be so notified in writing and delivered by the United States Postal Service.

SECTION 4. The Adjutant, Post Service Officer, Historian, Chaplain and Color Guard Commander shall be appointed by the Commander with the approval of 51% of the Executive Committee in attendance.

NEW: Revised SECTION 4

SECTION 4. The Adjutant, Post Service Officer, Historian, Chaplain and Color Guard Commander shall be appointed by the Commander with the approval of a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

RATIONALE: This harmonizes the “approval majority language” with SECTION 3.

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SECTION 7. The Post Executive Committee shall have the responsibility of helping to secure the Chairpersons, committee members and workers for all Post activities and programs. They shall also promote these activities or programs to successful conclusions.

NEW: Revised SECTION 7.

SECTION 7. The Post Executive Committee shall have the responsibility to maintain an atmosphere of proper decorum on the Post property. To this end, procedures and policies for conduct have been established and are posted in plain view on the property. In the lounge the bartender has the authority to enforce the established Lounge Rules. When an incident or behavior by a member or guest violates these polices, the Executive Committee shall review the circumstances and take appropriate action in a timely manner. Appropriate action by the Executive Committee may include a verbal reprimand; a reprimand in writing; or a suspension of the member in writing following a hearing of evidence from the involved parties and witnesses. The Executive Committee’s decision may be appealed in writing to the Post Commander within ten days. The Post Commander shall schedule an appeal hearing, after which a final decision of the Executive Committee will be rendered. Any action in writing shall be delivered through the United States Postal Service with delivery confirmation. The maximum suspension allowed is up to the remaining term of the current Executive Committee.

RATIONALE: Add language regarding disciplinary processes and remove committee language.

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ARTICLE IV
OFFICERS

SECTION 5. Nominations for Officers for the succeeding year shall be announced at the March membership meeting and the election of such officers shall be conducted at the April membership meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor prior to the election. The installation of officers shall be held either during the membership or special meeting in June. New Officers shall assume their offices on July 1.

NEW: Revised SECTION 5

SECTION 5. Nominations for Officers for the succeeding year shall be announced at the March membership meeting and the election of such officers shall be conducted at the April membership meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor prior to the election. The installation of officers shall be held before the annual Department convention. New Officers shall assume their offices immediately after installation.

RATIONALE: Incoming Officers should be installed and be in place in time to attend the Department Convention.

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VII
APPOINTMENTS

SECTION 1. The Post Commander, immediately upon taking office each year, may appoint the following standing committees: Americanism, Children and Youth, Economic, Finance, Foreign Relations, House, Legislative, Membership, Public Relations, Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Visiting or Veterans Affairs Volunteer Services and Building. Such standing committees shall consist of such members, and the chair thereof, as shall be designated by the Post Commander.

NEW: Revised SECTION 1

SECTION 1. The Post Commander, upon taking office each year, may appoint the following standing committees subject to approval of the Executive Committee: Americanism, Children and Youth, Economic, Finance, Foreign Relations, House, Legislative, Membership, Public Relations, Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Visiting or Veterans Affairs Volunteer Services and Building.

RATIONALE: Remove “immediately”, which is not reasonable and redundant language concerning committees.

ARTICLE IX
VOTING

SECTION 1. All votes taken at Executive Committee and Post meetings shall be by the membership gathered, absentee ballots are not allowed. Hours for voting for officers will be established to make available to all members.

NEW: Revised SECTIONS 1,2,3

ARTICLE IX
VOTING

SECTION 1. Executive Committee issues shall be passed by a majority vote of members present at a Committee meeting. The Post Commander may also request an electronic vote via telephone or electronic message. An electronic vote is valid only if a majority vote is received from a quorum of Committee members and the vote is ratified at the next Committee meeting.

SECTION 2. Post meeting issues shall be passed by a majority of the membership present, except for the annual election of officers.

SECTION 3. Officers shall be elected by a tally of votes of the membership present at the membership meeting and absentee ballots collected by the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will make ballots available for voting after nominations are closed. The Nominating Committee will ensure a secure process is established for the collection of absentee ballots. All absentee voting must take place at the Post. Hours will be established for absentee voting and for the day of the membership meeting. All ballots will be retained for thirty days after the election.

RATIONALE: Provide for Executive Committee electronic voting, absentee voting for officers and retention of ballots.