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SPIRIT LAKE TRIBE

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

PREAMBLE

We, the members of the Spirit Lake Tribe, to promote justice, ensure tranquility, encourage the general welfare, safeguard ours interests and secure the blessings of freedom and liberty for ourselves and for posterity, do hereby amend and revise our Tribal Constitution, reorganize our Tribal Council, and we do ordain and establish this Constitution and set of Bylaws as rules for its deliberation.

We, the members of the Spirit Lake Tribe, to promote justice, ensure tranquility, safeguard our interests and secure the blessings of the Creator for our religious liberties, do ordain and establish this Constitution and Bylaws as rules for its deliberation.

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Spirit Lake Tribe.

This Tribal membership shall be known as the Spirit Lake Tribe.

ARTICLE II – JURISDICTION

The jurisdiction of **the Spirit Lake Tribe** shall extend to all land on the Spirit Lake Reservation in the State of North Dakota and to such other lands as may be acquired by or on behalf of said tribe and added thereto under the laws of the United States.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership of the Spirit Lake Tribe shall consist of:

- (a) All persons of Indian blood whose names appear on the official Census Roll of the Tribe as of January 1, 1944
- (b) Any child of one-fourth or more degree Sioux Indian blood born to any member of the Spirit Lake Tribe may be admitted to membership by a majority vote of the Tribal Council.
- (c) Applications for membership shall be submitted by the applicant or his parent or guardian to a Committee on membership, which shall act on the same. The action of the Committee may be appealed by any tribal member to the Council.

Section 2. The Tribal Council shall have the power to promulgate ordinances, subject to approval of the Secretary of the Interior of his delegated representative covering present and future membership **with the Spirit Lake Tribe.**

ARTICLE IV – GOVERNING BODY

Section 1. The governing body of the Spirit Lake Tribe shall be the Tribal Council and shall consist of four district representatives and **three** officers.

Section 2. The tribe shall elect a Chairman, a Secretary, **and a Treasurer who** shall be elected by a popular vote regardless of district.

Section 3. **(a)** The Tribal Council shall have authority to regulate its own procedures, to appoint a Vice-Chairman to act in the absence of the Chairman, to appoint subordinate committees, delegates, boards, tribal officials and employees not otherwise provided for in this constitution and bylaws and to provide their tenure and duties; provided, that any delegation of authority

described in this constitution and bylaws shall be granted only by written resolution or ordinance and shall be withdrawn in the same manner.

(b) No individual council member, excluding the Tribal Chairman, has the legal authority outside of legal session of the Tribal Council to render a decision or take any action, provided; the Tribal Council has given authority in writing by resolution.

Section 4. The Tribe Council shall have the power to re-district the Spirit Lake Tribe Reservation and to apportion the representatives, subject to the vote of the tribal enrolled membership, whenever such action is deemed advisable by the Tribal Council.

ARTICLE V – ELECTIONS

Section 1.

- (1) All elections shall be by secret ballot and a majority vote of those who registered and voted shall govern.
- (2) All enrolled members of the Spirit Lake Tribe who are 18 years of age or older, on the day of election shall be eligible to vote in all elections.
- (3) Only those members who reside on the reservation and within one of the four districts retain the right to vote for all council positions, referendum issues and recall elections of any or all council positions.
- (4) Non-Resident voters are eligible to vote only for Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, referendums and recall of Chairman, and or Secretary, Treasurer.
- (5) Non-Resident voters may cast an absentee ballot by the deadline or report to Fort Totten District polling site the day of election.
- (6) Resident voters eligible to vote shall register in the district of such voter's residence at the time of election.

(7) Those members who reside on the reservation for at least one year and are at least 35 years of age, may be eligible to file a notice of intent to run for Tribal Council office on or before the third Tuesday of March.

(8) Those candidates filing an intent to run for Tribal Council shall:

Possess at least an associate degree and/or a combination of ten years or more of management, administrative, military (honorable discharge), or supervisory experience.

Candidate must be bondable.

Pass a drug test.

Pass a background check.

Be an enrolled member of the Spirit Lake Tribe and not have been enrolled in any other federally recognized tribe.

Submit a non-refundable \$150.00 fee (background, drug test, election expenses) at the time of filing their intent to be a candidate for office.

Not hold any elective office of the Spirit Lake Tribe who has been convicted of a felony in any jurisdiction of the United States.

Not be eligible to file an intent to run for the Tribal Council office who has been removed by recall from any council office, removed by the Tribe Council, and/or resigned from council for any reasons, or to avert a recall procedure.

Not have any delinquent loans or outstanding debts to the Tribe.

(9) When only two candidates seek one Tribal Council office position, they shall advance to general election. When more than two candidates are running for one Tribal Council office position, a primary election shall be held on the third Tuesday of April. If the day on which the primary election shall be held falls on a holiday, the election shall be held on the next regular business day.

(10) A primary election shall be held on the third Tuesday of April to select two qualified candidates for each office to be filled at the General Election. If the day on which the Primary Election is to be held occurs on a holiday, the election shall be held on the next regular business day.

(11) If the Primary Election cannot be held, for just cause, the Tribal Council shall set the dates for the filing the notice of intent to run for office.

(12) The General Election shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May. If the day on which the General Election is to be held occurs on a holiday, the election shall be held on the next regular business day.

(13) If the General Election cannot be held for just cause, for any Tribal Council seat of office, as provided in the Constitution, the Tribal Council shall set the date for the General Election to provide for an appropriate amount of time in which to campaign for office but is not to exceed 14 days.

(14) The terms of office for each Tribal Council position will be four years.

(15) Primary and General Election voting for candidates per- district representative shall be exclusive to district members only.

(16) Primary and General Election voting for candidates for Secretary, Treasurer, and Chairman shall be reservation wide.

(17) The newly elected Tribal Council officers shall be sworn in on the third Tuesday of May, after certificate of their election have been certified.

Section 2. (a) The Reservation shall consist of four districts and shall have representation as follows:

Crowhill District	1 Representative
Fort Totten District	1 Representative
Mission District	1 Representative
Woodlake District	1 Representative

(b) The four districts are described as follows:

CROWHILL DISTRICT

All territory within the boundaries of the Reservation lying West of the North-South line dividing Township R66 W. and R65 W.

FORT TOTTEN DISTRICT

All territory within the confines of the Reservation boundary on the east by Road #3 known as the Sheyenne Road, the Ski Jump Road, State Highway #57, and Road #1 running North from State Highway #57, along the line between Township 152 N. Range 64 W., and bounded on the West by the North-South line dividing Township 152 N. and Township 153 N.

MISSION DISTRICT

All territory within the confines of the Reservation bounded on the east by Road #3 known as the Sheyenne Road, the Ski Jump Road, State Highway #57, along the line between Township 152 N., Range 65 W. and Township 152 N., Range 64 W. and bounded on the south by East-West line between Township 152 N. and Township 151 N.

WOODLAKE DISTRICT

All territory within the confines of the Reservation bounded on the West-East Road #6 known as the Sheyenne Road, and on the north by the East-West line between Township 152 N. and Township 151 N. (Entire Section 4 amended VII, effective April 16, 1976.)

ARTICLE VI – GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES

The Tribal Council of the Spirit Lake Tribe shall exercise the following powers, subject to any limitations imposed by this Constitution and Bylaws or the laws regulations of the Federal Government.

Section 1. The Tribal Council, or its authorized officers or delegates., on behalf of the Spirit Lake Tribe shall sole right and authority to represent the tribe and to negotiate with the Federal, State and local Governments and with private persons and to make decisions not contrary to this Constitution and Bylaws or with existing federal laws.

Section 2. To employ legal counsel, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, or his duly authorized representative, so long as such approval is required by federal law.

Section 3. To regulate and license where permitted by law, all business and professional activities conducted upon the Reservation, provided that any assessment upon non-members, trading or residing within the jurisdiction of the tribe, shall be subject to review of the Secretary of the Interior or his duly authorized representative, where required by law.

Section 4. To enact ordinances to regulate the conduct and domestic relations of the members of the tribe, or Indians from other tribes on the Reservation, subject to the review of the Secretary of the Interior or his duly authorized representative.

Section 5. To assess members to obtain funds with which to pay the expenses of any tribal activity.

Section 6. To administer any funds within the control of the tribe. To make expenditures from available funds for tribal purposes, including salaries and expenses of tribal officials and employees. All expenditures of tribal funds under control of the Tribal Council shall be authorized by resolution duly enacted by the Tribal Council in legal session and the amounts so expended shall be a matter of public record to the members of the tribe at all reasonable times.

Section 7. To prepare annual budget requests for the advancement to the control of the tribe such money as now or may hereafter be deposited to the credit of the tribe in the United States Treasury or which may hereafter be appropriated for the use of the tribe.

Section 8. To deposit to the credit of the Spirit Lake Tribe all tribal funds, without limitation on the amount in any account, in any approved National or State Bank whose deposits are insured by an agency of the Federal Government; or with a bonded disbursing officer of the United States whenever the conditions prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior or his duly authorized representative in connection with such advances require the advance to be so deposited.

Section 9. To manage, lease or otherwise deal with tribal lands and tribal resources in accordance with existing Federal law.

Section 10. To engage in any business that will further the economic well-being of the members of the Spirit Lake Tribe.

Section 11. To enact ordinances to provide rules and regulations governing fishing, hunting, trapping on the Spirit Lake Reservation.

Section 12. To purchase and to otherwise acquire land and other property for or on behalf of the Spirit Lake Tribe. As authorized by law, to manage, lease, permit, sell, or otherwise deal with tribal lands, interest in lands, or other tribal assets.

(Amendment No. III, effective May 3, 1974.)

Section 13. The Tribal Council shall prepare and present to the members of the tribe a budget of any proposed expenditures of all tribal funds for the coming fiscal year. The Tribal Council shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

ARTICLE VII – FUTURE AND RESERVED POWERS

Section 1. The Tribal Council of the Spirit Lake Tribe may exercise such powers as may in the future be granted to the Council by members of the tribe or the

Secretary of the Interior or by any other duly authorized official or agency of the Federal Government.

ARTICLE VIII – MANNER OF REVIEW

Section 1. Any **constitutional amendment**, resolution or ordinance which by terms of this Constitution is subject to review by the Secretary of the Interior shall within ten days of its enactment be presented to the Superintendent of the Fort Totten Agency or the other authorized official who shall within ten days after its receipt by him, approve or disapprove. (As amended by Amendment VI, effective April 16, 1976.)

Section 2. If the Superintendent approves any **constitutional amendment**, resolution or ordinance, it shall thereupon become effective, but the Superintendent shall transmit the enactment bearing his endorsement to the Secretary of the Interior who may, within 90 days of the date of its enactment, rescind the resolution or ordinance for any cause by notifying the Spirit Lake Tribal Council of his veto.

Section 3. If the Superintendent disapproves any **constitutional amendment**, resolution or ordinance, he shall, within ten days after its receipt by him, advise the Tribal Council of his reasons thereof, and if these reasons appear to the Council insufficient it may, by majority vote of all members, refer the resolution or ordinance to the Secretary of the Interior, and if approved by him in writing, it shall become effective.

ARTICLE IX – REFERENDUM, REMOVAL AND RECALL

Section 1. **Referendum:** Upon receipt of a petition by **35 percent of a number equal to the registered voters who voted in the last general election**, or by an affirmative vote of four **voting** members of the Tribal Council, any **constitutional amendment**, enacted or proposed resolution or ordinance of the Tribal Council shall be submitted to a referendum of the eligible voters of the Spirit Lake Tribe. The majority of the votes cast in such a referendum shall be conclusive and binding on the Tribal Council. The Tribal Council shall call such a referendum and prescribe the manner of conducting the vote.

Section 2. **Removal:** The Tribal Council shall enact an ordinance which shall prescribe regulations, charges and reasons for removal of a district representative or officer. The grounds for removal, right of petition, and other factors shall be carefully framed to protect the interests of the Spirit Lake Tribe. (Enacted 6/26/66 A05-67-1; 2/27/87 – A05-87-81)

Section 3. The Tribal Council by an affirmative vote of the majority shall appoint a replacement to fill any vacancy of a district representative (councilmen) or officer, caused by removal, death, **mental or physical incapacitation** or resignation, provided the term of the replacement shall not extend beyond the next regular election regardless of the length of the unexpired term. **If the unexpired term exceeds 12 months the Tribal Council shall call a special election and initiate procedures from the Election Ordinance to fill the vacancy.**

Section 4. **Recall:** The members of the Tribe shall have the power to recall any member of the Tribal Council. **To initiate a recall election, a recall petition signed by 60 percent equal to the number of the qualified registered voters who voted in the last general election of the Tribal Chairperson or in case of a councilmen 60 percent equal to the number of the district qualified registered voters who voted in the last district election, must be filed with the Tribal Secretary, or Treasurer, in his/her absence or in case of his/her involvement, to the executive secretary of the Tribal Chairperson. All documents of the petition must be properly recorded as to the date and person receiving the petition. A recall petition shall state the reasons, name and office of the person being recalled. The signatures on the petition shall be verified by the election committee in accordance with the Tribal Constitution and Election Ordinance.**

If a recall petition is duly filed and certified, a recall election shall be held within 7 business days of such certification. The Tribal Chairperson, or in his/her absence or in case of his/her involvement, the vice-chairperson shall call for a recall meeting of qualified resident voters at a location designated by the presiding official. If the Chairperson or Vice-chairperson fails to call such a meeting, it will then be the duty of the Tribal Court to call such a meeting. Notice of such a meeting shall be posted at least 5 days prior to the date of the meeting in three public places in the district or districts represented by the council members or member whose recall is sought.

Prior to vote of the people, the petitioners shall state their reason for the petition and the person or persons involved in the recall shall be given 15 minutes to present statements in their defense.

A majority vote of those present and voting shall be required to recall or reinstate any Tribal Council member recalled from office. Balloting in conjunction with the recall action shall be conducted in secret. Any recall meetings shall be open to the enrolled qualified voters of the Spirit Lake Tribe and the meeting place doors shall not be locked at any time during the meeting thereby protecting the civil rights of tribal members. If a tie vote should occur, the election committee will set a date to have a revote within 5 business days.

PROVIDED: That the member removed from office and the remaining term exceeds 12 months, a replacement election shall be held within 20 days and shall be in accordance with the Tribal Election Ordinance. Individuals must file intent to run 5 days following the recall meeting. The member or members recalled and removed shall not be eligible to run for Tribal Council office for specific election. The individuals filing their intent must qualify in accordance with the Constitution and the Election Ordinance. A complete background check and a drug test will be required of all candidates.

PROVIDED: If the remaining term is less than 12 months, the people present, and voting shall nominate and vote for the qualified candidate for the vacant office. However, the member or members removed shall not be eligible to be nominated nor file an intent to run for that vacancy. If there are more than 2 nominees, an election shall be held to reduce the nominees to 2 candidates. From the 2 candidates, the individual voted into vacant office shall have a full background check and drug tested prior to being sworn into office. The newly elected Tribal Council officers shall be sworn into office at the first meeting of the Tribal Council after certificates of their election have been certified.

After one recall petition and general meeting to consider the recall of a council member or members, no further recall petitions shall be filed against the same member or members of the Tribal Council within one year from filing of said petition. (As amended by Amendment No. 1, effective June 17, 1969.)

ARTICLE X – ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT

Section 1. This revised Constitution and Bylaws, when adopted by a majority vote of a number equal to or at least 35 percent of the qualified voters, who registered and voted in the last general election of the Spirit Lake Tribe, voting at a special election called and supervised by the Constitution Committee and the Superintendent or his delegated representative, shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior and shall be in force and effect from the date of approval.

Section 2. (a) This Constitution and Bylaws may be amended by a majority of the qualified voters of the Spirit Lake Tribe at an election called for that purpose: PROVIDED that a number equal to or at least 35 percent of the qualified resident voters, who registered and voted in the last general election of the tribe shall vote in such election but no amendment shall become effective until it shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior or his delegated representative.

(b) It shall be the duty of the Tribal Council to call such election on any proposed amendment upon receipt of a petition signed by 35 percent of the qualified resident voters, or a number equal to those who registered and voted in the last general election of the Tribe, or the Tribal Council may call such an election by an affirmative vote of the four members of the Tribal Council.

ARTICLE XI – CODE OF ETHICS

AUTHORITY:

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Spirit Lake Tribe, Article VI, Section 4, the Spirit Lake Tribal Council possesses authority to regulate the conduct and domestic relations of Tribal members or Indians from other Tribes within the Spirit Lake reservation. Further, pursuant to Article IV, Section 3 of the Constitution, Tribal Council possesses authority to regulate its own procedures.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Code of Ethics is to establish ethical standards for the Spirit Lake Tribal Council, its committees and boards. All those acting on behalf of the Spirit Lake Tribe possess a sacred trust to act in the highest ethical manner carrying out their duties in such a manner as to keep the best interests of the Tribe and its members in mind. Dakota values of honesty, integrity, respect, fairness, impartiality and generosity shall be among those values expected of elected or appointed officials in carrying out their duties. Those individuals elected and appointed by the Tribe shall not place their personal interests above that of the Tribe.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Members of the Tribal Council have an obligation to conduct business within guidelines that prohibit actual conflict of interest.

An actual conflict of interest occurs when a tribal official utilizes his or her position to influence a decision that may result in personal gain for that official because of Tribal business dealings.

No “presumption of guilt” is created by the mere existence of a relationship with outside firms. However, if Tribal official exercises influence designed to result in personal gain on transactions involving purchases, contracts or leases or loans an actual conflict of interest has been abused.

It is prohibited for a Tribal official and or family member, relative or close friend of a Tribal official to receive any special consideration, substantial gift or kickback because of any transaction or business dealings.

NEPOTISM:

Nepotism includes, but not limited to, employing, promoting and granting of special favors to an immediate family member or relative employed in any tribal program where the Director/Supervisor is a member of that same family.

IMPERMISSIBLE CONDUCT:

The following conduct by any elected official of the Spirit Lake Tribe, including any member of the Spirit Lake Council shall not be permitted and may be grounds for sanctions and/or removal from office.

CONDUCT:

1. Gross incompetence – Unable or unwilling to perform the duties of office.
2. Abandonment of office – Not attending three consecutive Tribal Council meetings as to which proper notice has been extended without good reason or moving out of the district that a council member has been elected from.
3. Excessive Absenteeism – Three days of unexcused absence in any thirty-day period.
4. Theft – Converting tribal property or monies without authorization through omission or misrepresentation of the facts.
5. Misuse of office – Unauthorized and significant personal use of tribal equipment, manpower and/or material.
6. Malfeasance – Criminal conduct committed while in office affecting Tribal property, personal and/or funds.
7. Misuse of authority – The exercise of authority or power against a tribal member in a burdensome, cruel or unjust manner.

CONVICTIONS: by court of competent jurisdiction

1. Conviction of a felony
2. Conviction of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude or dishonesty.
3. Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

TESTING: Substance abuse

Anyone refusing to submit to any testing of alcohol, drugs or any substance in accordance with the Law and Order Code section 3-7-149 and Tribal resolution A05-99-015, Drug and Substance Abuse Policy shall be cause for removal from office.

Legal Authority: District Representative (Councilmen)

Authority by Tribal Council members shall be exercised in accordance with the Spirit Lake Constitution and Bylaws. Council members possess

authority as tribal officials to vote during sessions of the Spirit Lake Tribal Council. Tribal Council members shall not exercise authority to direct Tribal actions other than as designated by Tribal Council action.

DEFINITION OF:

“Malfeasance” means the commission of an act that is positively unlawful. Any wrongful conduct which affects, interrupts, or interferes with the performance of official duty. An act for which there is no authority.

“Immediate Family”: For nepotism, father, mother, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, husband, wife, daughter, son.

“Frivolous”: A complaint against an official for an alleged ethical violation that is clearly false or lacking sufficient evidence.

REPORTING VIOLATIONS:

Any person who, in good faith, believes or has reason to believe that an elected or appointed official subject to this code has committed a violation of this code may report such act within one year from the date of the alleged violation directly to the office of the Tribal Council. Any report under this section shall include, but is not limited to, the following information:

- (i) The name of the person reporting the alleged violation and the name of the person whose alleged violation is in question.
- (ii) The nature of the alleged violation includes the date, time, place, persons involved and/or who may have knowledge pertinent to the alleged violation. The report must clearly state the provision(s) stated in the code.
- (iii) A sworn statement attesting that the information they have forwarded is true, accurate and complete to the best of their knowledge.

FALSE ACCUSATION:

Reporting false or unsubstantiated violations may subject the person making the complaint to a civil suit brought by the official accused by the false accusation.

Ethics Review

The Tribal Council shall establish a review board to investigate any complaints or violations of the ethics code. The Board shall establish their own standardized process to review complaints.

Ethics Review Board Opinion

The Board shall have (15) days from the date the Tribal Council forwards the report to the review board to form and issue an opinion based on the report of the alleged violation. Upon a thorough investigation of the matter, the review Board shall submit a report and recommendations to the Tribal Council.

All final opinions by the Board may be available for public review by tribal members when requested by an appointed or elected official of the Tribe. Such reports will contain all information pertinent to the ethics violation as well as other findings and conclusions.

To advance the goals of free and good government, to provide ethical guidance to the Tribes officials, to improve the level and quality of public service and to protect, promote and strengthen the faith and confidence of the people of the Tribe in their government. Any violator of this code is subject to the following penalties, in addition to those identified in the Tribal Constitution and/or Law and Order Code.

- (i) Restitution of any improperly received benefits.
- (ii) Suspension from official duties without pay.
- (iii) Order by Council to seek professional counseling.
- (iv) Monetary fine reflecting the severity of the violation.
- (v) Tribal Council may initiate the Removal Ordinance.
- (vii) Remanded to federal authorities to face federal charges.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I – TRIBAL COUNCIL

Section 1. A regular monthly meeting of the governing body shall be set by the Tribal Council. The Chairman shall call all special meetings.

Section 2. A quorum shall consist of four members, three voting representatives and the Tribal Chairman. Physically present, and no business shall be conducted in the absence of a quorum.

Section 3. The Tribal Council shall install, maintain and audit a complete and detailed accounting system.

Section 4. All officers and employees of the council responsible for the safety of property and money shall be bonded in an amount sufficient to insure the tribe from loss.

ARTICLE II – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. CHAIRMAN: He or she shall preside at all meetings, regular and special. He or she shall vote only in the case of a tie. He or she shall see that all resolutions and ordinances of the Tribal Council are carried into effect. He or she should exercise general supervision of all other officers and employees and see that their respective duties are performed.

Section 2 (a) SECRETARY: He or she shall keep the minutes of the principal office of the Tribal Council of all meetings of the Tribal Council. He or she shall keep Tribal rolls, showing all changes therein as required by the Constitution or Ordinances duly approved by the Tribal Council. He or she shall attend to all correspondence, distribution or tribal information or other duties incidental to this office including the reproduction of minutes, resolutions and ordinances and see to their distribution within deadlines, if there be deadlines.

Section 2(b) Treasurer: He or she shall also keep and maintain adequate and correct accounts of the properties and business transactions of the Tribal Council. He or she shall care and custody of funds and valuables of the Tribal Council and deposit same in the name of and to the credit of the Spirit Lake Tribe with such depositories as the Tribal Council may direct and which are acceptable to the Area Director, disburse funds of the Tribal Council as may be ordered by the Tribal Council, taking proper signed invoices, vouches or other recordable data, render to the Tribal Council a monthly statement and report of all his or her transactions as Treasurer and render also an annual financial statement in the firm and with the detail required by the Tribal Council.

Section 3 Vice-Chairman: He or she shall preside at any meeting when the Chairman is absent. He or she shall vote only in the event of a tie. He or she vote as a representative shall be forfeited when he or she is acting Chairman. He or she shall ensure that all resolutions and ordinances of the Tribal Council are carried into effect. He or she should exercise general supervision of all other officers and employees and see that their respective duties are performed. Absent defined as follows: With Chairman and Councils' approval, the Vice-Chairman will preside and continue the meeting when the Chairman must be excused to attend another duty. The Chairman is physically unable to attend a meeting due to physical or mental incapacitation. The Chairman resigns, recalled or removed from office.

Section 4. Oath of office:

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