

CONSTITUTION

NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL STATE AUXILIARY

ARTICLE I – NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the North Carolina Highway Patrol State Auxiliary.

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVE

Section 1. The North Carolina Highway Patrol State Auxiliary is organized exclusively as a charitable organization under the existing section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. To that end, the North Carolina Highway Patrol State Auxiliary lessens the burden of government and provides support to the families of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol through the following means:

- (a) Provide scholarships for higher education to members of the auxiliary or direct line descendants of members of the auxiliary.
- (b) Provide disaster relief funds to patrol families affected by fire, flood, wind, storm and other natural disasters.
- (c) Provide receptions at patrol graduations, memorial service, and other events.
- (d) Periodically provide the North Carolina Highway Patrol and/or its individual members with items that complement their state issued supplies.

Section 2. The North Carolina Highway Patrol State Auxiliary shall strive to aid and assist, promote fellowship and create a bond among the families of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol through the following means:

- (a) Provide assistance in establishing and organizing auxiliaries where none exist.
- (b) Provide an opportunity for auxiliary members to meet for planning, fellowship and enrichment activities.
- (c) Provide assistance to patrol families in time of bereavement and hardships.
- (d) Promote respect and appreciation through the support of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in the North Carolina Highway Patrol State Auxiliary shall be classified as active and honorary in accordance with the qualifications set forth in the Bylaws.

Section 2. The right to hold office or be nominated for office shall be confined to active members whose membership dues are current.

ARTICLE IV – ORGANIZATION

Section 1. In order to advance the objectives of the North Carolina Highway Patrol State Auxiliary, assistance will be provided in establishing auxiliaries in each district and/or county upon request.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The general officers of the State Auxiliary shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain and Historian.

Section 2. There shall be four elected Directors (communications, membership, publicity, sales).

Section 3. The Executive Board shall consist of the general officers, four directors, troop representatives, with the immediate past President serving as a non-voting member.

ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

Section 1. State meetings shall be held semi-annually during the spring and fall months at a time and place designated by the Troop hosting the meeting.

Section 2. Troop meetings shall be held before the Executive Board meetings at a time and place designated by the Troop Representative.

ARTICLE VII – QUORUM

Section 1. Those duly elected officers, directors, and troop representatives in attendance shall constitute a quorum at any Executive Board meeting.

Section 2. Those active members in attendance shall constitute a quorum at any state (general membership) meeting.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Each proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State Auxiliary shall be voted upon by the membership provided such amendment be presented to the Executive Board at the winter or summer Executive Board meeting for consideration at the spring or fall meeting.

Section 2. Adopting of any such amendment shall require a majority vote of the membership present at a state meeting provided a quorum is present.

ARTICLE IX – FUNDS

Section 1. Funds of the North Carolina Highway Patrol State Auxiliary shall be held in an approved banking institution as determined by the Executive Board.

Section 2. No funds of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, officer, or director or to any private person.

ARTICLE X – DISSOLUTION

Section 1. In the event of the dissolution of the North Carolina Highway Patrol State Auxiliary and/or its subordinate auxiliaries, the Executive Board shall, after payment of any and all liabilities or making provision for any and all liabilities, dispose of any remaining assets to an organization or organizations operating for substantially the same purposes as this auxiliary or to such organization or organizations operating exclusively for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for public purposes.

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