Annual Election of Directors Administrative and Procedural Rules

Pursuant to the Association's Bylaws amended October 14, 2023, the Board of Directors has adopted these administrative and procedural rules for the Annual Election of Directors for the 2024 Annual Election.

Election

The Notice of Election including a Ballot is to be mailed to the Members on or before August 22, 2024 (to allow sufficient time for delivery on or before September 1, 2024) by United States Mail with proper postage affixed. Alternatively, the Notice of Election including instructions for accessing an electronic ballot shall be emailed on or before September 1, 2024 to Members who have requested to receive correspondence from the Association by electronic means. The Notice of Election shall be published in the Association's Newsletter for the September 2024 edition. The Notice of Election shall comply with the provision of Article III, Section 2 of the Bylaws.

- 2. For the 2024 election year, Members may cast their vote either (i) electronically, through a web portal designated by the Association for that purpose; or (ii) by paper ballot. The emailed Notice of Election shall contain: (i) instructions for accessing and casting an electronic ballot; and (ii) instructions on requesting a paper ballot and the return thereof. The postal mailed Notice of Election shall contain both: (i) a paper ballot and a self-addressed envelope for the return thereof; and (ii) instructions for accessing and casting an electronic ballot.
- 3. Members entitled to notice and eligible to vote shall be determined using the membership registry as of thirty (30) days prior to the date of mailing of the Notice of Election.
- 4. The commencement date for this year's election shall be September 1, 2024.
- 5. Voting shall remain open for 30 days after the commencement date; therefore, voting will be closed on October 1, 2024 at 11:59pm.
- 6. The paper ballot and the electronic ballot shall list the names of all nominated candidates and indicate how each candidate was nominated.
- 7. Any vote cast after October 1, 2024, shall not be counted. Paper Ballots returned to the address shown on the self-addressed envelope delivered with the Notice of Election or requested by a Member receiving the Notice of Election by email, which bear a US Postmark dated on or before October 1, 2024, and received on or before October 4, 2024, shall be counted. All other paper Ballots returned shall not be counted.
- 8. Once cast, a Member's vote may not be changed or withdrawn.

- 9. Cumulative voting shall not be permitted. Members shall not cast more than one (1) vote for each Board vacancy to be filled.
- 10. The candidates receiving the largest number of votes cast shall be elected to fill the positions.
- 11. In the event of a tie, a run-off to decide the tie vote shall be conducted at the Annual Meeting on October 12, 2024, by a ballot vote of the Members present in person, by proxy, or attending remotely.
- 12. In the event more than three (3) candidates seek election, the Board of Directors shall appoint the Association's attorney to audit the election process and voting and certify the election results to the Association. The election facilitator retained by the Association shall provide to the Association's attorney the results of the election together with such information as the Association's attorney shall deem necessary and appropriate to determine the prevailing Directors.
- 13. Following certification of the election results, the Association shall notify each candidate of the election results.