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AMENDMENTS
—OF THE—
ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT
—AND—
BY-LAWS
—OF THE—

Missouri
Woman's Relief Corps
Soldiers' Home
Association.

Incorporated 1894.

SAINT LOUIS:
SMITH BROS. & Co., Printers, 207 N. 17th St.
1894.

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STATE OF MISSOURI,



DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

I, Alexander A. Lesueur, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, hereby certify the annexed pages contain a full, true and complete copy of amendments of the articles of association or agreement, in writing, of

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS SOLDIERS' HOME,

with the several certificates thereon, filed May 22d, 1894, as the same appears on file, as the law directs, in this office.

In Testimony Whereof, I herunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri. Done at office, in the City of Jefferson, this 22d day of May A. D. 1894.

Seal.

A. A. LESUEUR,
Secretary of State.

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Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home.

Amend Article II, Object, so that the same reads as follows, to-wit :

ARTICLE II.
OBJECT.

The object of this Association shall be to provide a home or homes for disabled and destitute ex-union soldiers and sailors, residents of the State of Missouri, and their wives and dependent ones, and for ex-union army nurses.

Amend Article IV so that the same shall read as follows :

ARTICLE IV.
OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board of Directors shall consist of ten members, and of which number the officers

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above provided shall constitute four, ex-officio members. Six of the members of the Board of Directors must be members of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Missouri.

SEC. 2. An Advisory Board of ten members shall be appointed annually by the President of the Association from among the members of the corporation named the "Department of Missouri Grand Army of the Republic" such names to be suggested in the first instance by the Department Commander of that corporation.

Amend Article V so that the same shall read as follows, to-wit :

ARTICLE V. ELECTIONS.

The term of office of such directors as hold the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall be one year, and until their respective successors have been duly elected and qualified. The term of office of the remaining six directors shall be three years, and after this article goes into effect the said six directors shall by lot divide their number into three classes, the term of office of one class shall expire in one year, of another in two years and of the third in three years, and thereafter two of such directors shall be elected each year.

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All elections of directors shall take place by ballot at the annual meeting of the Association, and it may be held at any place in the State of Missouri, the time and place for the holding of which shall be determined by the by-laws, or the Board of Directors.

Amend Article VIII so that the same shall read as follows, to-wit :

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS.

Amendments to this Constitution may be made at an annual meeting of the Association, or at a special meeting called therefor, provided that a majority of the members present at said meeting vote therefor, and such amendments be thereafter first submitted to and approved by the Circuit Court of the City of St. Louis.

"FROM THE ORIGINAL" AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE I. NAME AND LOCATION.

The name of this Corporation shall be the "WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS SOLDIERS' HOME," and the principal office of the same shall be located in the City of St. Louis, Missouri.

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ARTICLE III.
MEMBERSHIP.

Any individual who favors the establish-
ment of such a home, may become a mem-
ber of this association upon complying with
the rules and by-laws that may be adopted
for their admission.

ARTICLE VI.
BY-LAWS.

The Association shall make such by-laws
as may seem necessary to accomplish the
purpose of its creation, and create such
committees and districts as may seem best
to further the interests of the Association.

ARTICLE VII.
PROPERTY.

This Association shall be authorized to
acquire real and personal property to the
value of one hundred thousand dollars for
the purpose of its creation, and shall be
privileged to accept such dues as may best
enable it to fully carry out the grand object
of this Association.

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STATE OF MISSOURI, }
City of St. Louis, } ss. *In the Circuit Court*
City of St. Louis,

APRIL TERM, 1894.
Monday, May 14th, 1894.

In the Matter
of (1265)
Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home. }

And now on this day come Hollen E.
Day, as President, Bell Seaman, as Secre-
tary and Agnes R. Russell, as Treasurer, of
the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home,
and submit to the Court a proposed amend-
ment of the charter of said Association,
together with a petition praying for a pro
forma decree thereon, in manner provided
by law, and it appearing to the Court that
said petition has remained on file in the
Clerk's office of this Court for at least three
days since the same was first presented to
the Court and the Court having duly ex-
amined said articles of agreement and being
duly advised in the premises, doth now
consider, adjudge and determine that such
proposed amendment and the purposes of
the Association as therein expressed come
properly within the purview of Article X of
Chapter 42 of the Revised Statutes of the
State of Missouri, 1889, entitled 'Benevo-
lent, Religious, Scientific, Fraternal, Bene-

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Official, Educational and Miscellaneous Associations," and are not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of the State of Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
City of St. Louis, } ss. I, Philip H. Zepp,
Clerk of the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis,
State aforesaid, Certify the above to be a
true copy of the order made in the matter
aforesaid, as fully as the same remains of
record in my office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set
my hand and affix the seal of said
Court, at office in the City of St.
Louis, this 16th day of May, 1894.

SEAL. PHILIP H. ZEPP,
Clerk.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
City of St. Louis, } ss. I, the undersigned,
Recorder of Deeds for said City and State,
do hereby certify that the foregoing instru-
ment of writing was filed for record in my
office on the twenty-first day of May, A. D.
1894, at 10:01 o'clock A. M., and is truly
recorded in book Corp. 14, Page 49.

WITNESS my hand and official seal on the
day and year aforesaid.
SEAL. WM. A. HOBBS,
Recorder.

Filed and copy issued May 22, 1894.

A. A. LESUEUR,
Secretary of State.

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BY-LAWS
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ARTICLE I.

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES.

SECTION 1. The annual dues shall be One Dollar.

SEC. 2. Any person who pays One Dollar towards the funds of this Association and whose name has been accepted by a vote of the majority of members present at any annual or special meeting of the corporation or by a majority of the Board of Directors at any of its meetings shall become a member and be entitled to vote in the Association for a period of one year after such payment. In case of failure to make such payment of One Dollar per annum thereafter, in advance, the right of such member to vote at the meetings shall be suspended until such payment be made, and in case of failure to pay such annual dues before the end of the year the name of such member shall be dropped from the list of members and such membership shall thereafter cease

without further action of the Association.

SEC. 3. Any person who pays the sum of \$25.00, or more, at one time to the funds of the Association and who is admitted to membership at any meeting thereof shall become a life member therein and be free from all further obligation to pay dues.

ARTICLE II.

MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

SEC. 1. The annual meetings of the same shall take place on the second day of the annual convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Missouri, at such place as may be determined by the constituted authorities of such department for such convention.

SEC. 2. Special meeting may be held as often as the same may be called by a majority of the Board of Directors, the object of which must be stated, and at such time and place as may be determined by those calling the same, notice thereof to be sent each member by the Secretary by postal card five days in advance of such meeting stating the object of such call. No other business excepting that stated as the object and the admission of members shall be transacted at said meetings.

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ARTICLE III.

MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SEC. 1. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held twice a year; one on the day when and at the place where the annual meeting of the Association takes place, and the other in the principal office of the corporation in St. Louis City on the first Monday of October in each year at nine o'clock A. M.

SEC. 2. Special meetings of the Board may be called by any three members of the same at such time and place as may be fixed by the call which must also state the object of such meeting. No other business shall be transacted at said special meetings than that stated in the call and the admission of new members.

ARTICLE IV.

QUORUM.

Twenty-five members shall constitute a quorum of the Association competent to transact any business for the same.

ARTICLE V.

OFFICERS, THEIR COMPENSATION, DUTIES AND POWERS.

SEC. 1. No officer shall receive any salary. Actual outlays only duly authorized and made in the doing of the business of the

Association shall be refunded to the officers after the bills therefor, specifying the details of the same, shall have been duly approved and signed by the Executive Committee or a majority of said Committee.

SEC. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of its Board of Directors, and shall appoint all committees raised by the Association or Board unless otherwise determined by the resolution providing for the appointment of such Committees. The President shall also be required to see that all laws and by-laws of the Association are enforced, and carry into effect all the lawful resolutions of the Association or Board of Directors. No check on the funds of the Association, shall be good until the same has been countersigned by the President.

SEC. 3. The Vice-President shall perform all the duties and be entrusted with all the powers of the President whenever the latter officer is unable to act.

SEC. 4. The Secretary shall discharge all the duties usually performed by that officer, give all notices required to be given, keep an alphabetical record of the membership, showing date of payment of dues and date of admission and place of residence.

SEC. 5. The Treasurer shall receive all the funds of the Association and deposit the same in the name of the corporation in some safe depository to be determined each year by the Board of Directors. Acknowledgement of receipt by the Treasurer to the contributors shall be made of all funds paid or donated, stating the name of collector. A report of the finances of the corporation shall be submitted by the Treasurer together with the corporation's bank-book duly balanced at each regular meeting of the Association and of the Board of Directors and as often in addition thereto as the same may be required by the Board. The Treasurer shall give bond with two or more satisfactory sureties in such sum as may be determined by the Board.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES.

SEC. 1. An Executive Committee of three members shall be annually elected by the Association, whose duty it shall be to devise, pass upon and approve ways and means for raising funds for the Association, to consider, decide and report upon all proposed assumption of obligations by the Association, and to examine into and to approve

or disapprove all bills for outlays for expenditures made by the officers and committees of the Association, the Committee being required to state its grounds of disapproval specifically, and each matter acted upon being subject to appeal from the decision of the committee to the Board of Directors.

SEC. 2. An Investment Committee composed of three members of the Association shall be elected at the annual meetings, and shall be required to consider and pass upon all Investment of the funds of the corporation, and its action shall only be carried out by the officers whenever its written recommendation receives the written approval of a majority of the Board of Directors.

SEC. 3. An Auditing Committee of three members shall be elected at the annual meetings, and such committee shall carefully audit the books and vouchers of the Treasurer on the day prior to the annual meeting and make a full report to the Association at such meeting.

SEC. 4. The State shall be divided by the Board of Directors into Districts conveniently located for through canvassing, and thereafter the Board shall appoint for each District a committee of three members who shall choose a District Chairman, Secretary

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and Treasurer from their number and then carry out the instructions of the Board in procuring members and raising funds for the corporation. Such Districts may be named or numbered by the Board for the purpose of keeping an account of their doings, and each committee shall keep a record of its proceedings.

ARTICLE VII.
AMENDMENTS.

These by-laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Association, providing the proposed amendment be submitted in writing and a majority of all members present at such meeting vote in favor of such amendment.

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