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Mr. John F. Seck, Adjutant
Detroit-East Side Chapter #60
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
19921 Moenart
Detroit, Michigan 48234

Dear Mr. Seck:

I am returning herewith a copy of your recently submitted Constitution and Bylaws approved by the National Judge Advocate on June 23, 1976.

We are furnishing the Department of Michigan a copy of your Constitution and Bylaws for their information and also a copy will be placed in the permanent files here at National Headquarters for our future use.

Sincerely,

DENVEL D. ADAMS
National Adjutant

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cc: Edward Werner, Adjutant
Department of Michigan

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
DETROIT EAST SIDE CHAPTER # 60
CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I (TITLE)

This Chapter shall be known as "DETROIT EAST SIDE CHAPTER #60, DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

ARTICLE II (MEETINGS)

Section 1. Regular meetings of the Chapter shall be held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday in each month, except, when changed by a majority vote of the Chapter membership present.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Commander or upon demand of five members, providing that the membership be notified in time to attend.

Section 3. All meetings shall start promptly at 8:00 P. M., unless authorized by special notice.

Section 4. Any member who shall conduct himself in a disorderly manner during a meeting under any circumstances, shall escorted from the meeting hall by the Seargent-at-Arms

ARTICLE III (MEMBERSHIP)

Any Man or Woman who was wounded, gassed, injured or disabled in the line of duty during time of war, while in the service of either the Military or Naval forces of the United States of America, and who has not been dishonorably discharged or separated from such service or who may still be in active service in the armed forces of the United States of America is eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans. Others who are disabled while serving with any of the armed forces of any Nations associated with the United States of America as Allies during any of its War Periods, who are American citizens and who are honorably discharged, are also eligible.

The Disabled American Veterans shall not have Honorary members.

ARTICLE IV (OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES)

Section 1. (a) The Elective Officers of this Chapter shall be a Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Chaplain, Treasurer, Adjutant and Assistant Adjutant.

(b) These Officers shall be elected for a period of ONE year, except, when elected to fill a vacancy occurring between annual elections, then, they shall be elected to serve the unexpired term of office. These Officers shall be permitted to succeed Themselves

(c) In the election of Officers, candidates must be members in good standing, must receive a majority of the votes cast and make their intentions known to the Chapter after each nominating session.

(d) A Seargent-at-Arms, and Officer-of the Day shall be appointed by the Commander.

(e) The Retiring Commander automatically becomes Executive Committeeman, unless He refuses the position. Then the membership shall elect a new Executive Committeeman.

(f) In the election of Delegates and/or Alternates to the National or State Conventions candidates must be members in good standing. The Commander shall automatically be a Delegate. Any challenge to a Delegate or Alternate shall be referred to the Advisory Board for action.

(g) In Chapter elections there shall be no form of voting by proxy or absentee ballot.

Section 2. (a) There shall be an Executive Board comprising of all elected Officers as provided in Article IV Section 1a

(b) There shall be a rotating Board of 5 elected Trustees,, one new member being elected each year for a Five year term. In the election for Trustees, names of all outgoing Officers shall automatically be placed in nomination.

(c) There shall be an Advisory Board consisting of the Executive Board, Board of Trustees and Executive Committeeman. The Advisory Board shall have charge of all property of the Chapter and approve all bills to be paid by this Chapter. The Advisory Board shall determine who shall audit the Chapters books at the close of each year. The Advisory Board shall meet on the 4th Thursday of each Month One hour prior to the regular Chapter meeting.

(d) There shall be formed a corporation to be known as the "DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, DETROIT EAST SIDE CHAPTER #60 MEMORIAL HOME INCORPORATED" whose purpose shall be, (1)To purchase, lease or other wise acquire and hold for the benefit and use of the Chapter, Land, Building and such property as may be necessary or usefull in the building and (2)To provide management, protection and maintenance of said property.

(e)The executive and administration of the Memorial Home Inc. shall be vested in a Board of Seven Directors. Six to be elected by the Chapter members and the seventh shall be the incumbent Commander. Two new Directors shall be elected annually for a term of Three Years. No person shall be elected or serve as a Director unless he is a member in good standing. Each Chapter member in good standing is entitled to vote at the annual election of the Board of Directors. Notice of Date, Place and Procedure for election of Directors shall conform with Article IV of this Constitution and By-Laws.

(f) The Board of Directors shall choose from among its seven members a President, Vice President, and Treasurer. The Chapter Adjutant shall act as Secretary and carry no votes or vote.

(g) The Memorial Home Inc. is authorized to make contracts for the purchase, lease or acquisition of land and building, provided the proposed contract shall have been approved at a special meeting by a majority of those present and further provided that at least a Seven day advance notice stating the purpose of the special meeting shall have been mailed to all Chapter Members.

(h) In the event we should propose to sell the Memorial Home or any Adjacent property the proposed sale shall have been approved at a Special Meeting by a 2/3rds vote membership and further provided that at least a Seven Day advance notice stating purpose of the Special Meeting shall have been mailed to all Chapter Members

(i)No expenditure in excess of \$100.00 may be made by the Board of Directors previously approved at a regular Chapter meeting by a majority vote of the Board of Directors shall submit to the Chapter a report of its receipts and expenditures at least once every Three Months.

(j) Any provision of the Articles of Incorporation and the Constitution and By-Laws of the Memorial Home Inc. which is in conflict with the Chapter, Department or National Constitution and By-Laws is absolutely null and void.

Section 3. (a) In every instance where an Officer or Officers are to be elected for a full term or to fill a vacancy, notice of Date and Place of election, and Office for which the election is to be held, shall be given every member of this Chapter by mail, addressed to his last known address, with sufficient postage prepaid. Such notices to be mailed not less than Five Days of such election. Any election of Officers held without giving such notice shall be absolutely void. No election of Officers shall be held at any other than the regular meeting place of the Chapter.

(b)The Chapter may by a 2/3rds vote declare vacant the position of any Officer who may absent himself from Four consecutive meetings, unless certified physically unable to attend, provided that such notice has been given the delinquent Officer of the intensions of the Chapter.

ARTICLE IV (OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES)

Section 4. The duties of the Commander shall be to preside at all meetings of the Chapter and Advisory Board, to enforce all laws and orders from proper authority, to appoint all Officers and Committees not otherwise provided for and such other duties as the Constitution and By-Laws require.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Sr. Vice Commander to assist the Commander in preserving order, to preside in the absence of the Commander and shall perform such other duties as the Constitution and By-Laws may require.

Section 6. The Jr. Vice Commander shall assist the Sr. Vice Commander in preserving order and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Constitution and By-Laws. In the absence of the Commander and Sr. Vice Commander, he shall preside over meetings. In case none of the Commanders are present, the Chapter shall appoint or elect a temporary Commander for that meeting.

Section 7. It shall be the duty of the Adjutant to keep a record of all meetings, to keep books and records in proper order on the business of the Chapter, to attend to all correspondence, keeping copies of all outgoing mail for filing, to keep an attendance record of all members, turn all money he may receive over to the Treasurer, and such other duties as may be required of him by the Commander. He shall also be Adjutant of the Advisory Board and Memorial Home Board.

Section 8. The Assistant Adjutant shall assist the Adjutant in his duties, and in the absence of the Adjutant, shall act as Adjutant.

Section 9. The Treasurer shall keep a strict account of all receipts and expenditures, of all cancelled checks and expenditures, of all cancelled checks and stubs and authorization of expenditures.

Section 10. The Chaplain shall perform such duties as may be required by the Ritual laws.

Section 11. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall have charge of the door, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Laws and Ritual.

Section 12. The Officer of the Day shall perform the duties prescribed by the Ritual.

ARTICLE V (FEES, DUES and FINANCES)

Section 1. Dues in this Chapter shall be Twelve Dollars (\$12.00) per year, subject to raise based on the State and National Dues System. July 1st to June 30th, year following will constitute a yearly period.

Section 2. All funds of this Chapter shall be placed in a State or Federal Bank in the name of "DETROIT EAST SIDE CHAPTER #60 DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS" by the Treasurer. All checks or orders payable to this Chapter shall be endorsed by the Treasurer and Commander or in either's absence or disability, by either the Treasurer or the Commander and the Adjutant. No money shall be paid out of this Bank Account except on due authorization signed by the Commander or Adjutant or in their absence by the next in authority. All checks or disbursements of money from this account shall be issued from an Official Checkbook, with checks properly numbered and recorded therein, and shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Commander or Adjutant.

Section 3. No moneys exceeding the sum of \$25.00 for the relief to any one individual shall be paid by this Chapter unless approved by the Advisory Board than by the Chapter.

Section 4. The Commander and Senior Vice Commander shall constitute a Committee having the power during the recess of this Chapter, to distribute from its funds any sum not to exceed \$15.00 for the relief of any worthy, distressed Comrade.

ARTICLE VI (QUORUM)

A quorum shall consist of Ten members in good standing, including the presence of Two (2) Elective Officers.

When a Chapter of the DAV, a thrift store or any type of approved continuing fund-raising project or business desiring to incorporate and use the name of the DAV or any name or symbols similar thereto in the corporate name, the proposed Articles of Incorporation shall be submitted to the respected State Department and National Executive Committee for approval and must contain the following provision.

" This Corporation recognizes the National Organization known as DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, incorporated by Act of Congress, and affirms its allegiance and subordination, to the said National Organization, its Constitution, By-Laws and all Rules, mandates and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto. Articles of Incorporation containing the name or symbols of the DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS shall first be approved by the respective Departments and the National Executive Committee prior to filing and complying with State Law. Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the assets remaining after the payment of its debts, shall be distributed as provided in Article VI, Section 6.5, Paragraphs 4 and 5 of the National By-Laws, which is as follows:

Paragraph 4: Upon revocation of the Charter of any Chapter or subordinate organization where no State Department exists, or upon any revocation of ant Charter of a State Department, all property and money and effects of said Department, Chapter or subordinate organization shall revert to the National Organization, there to be held in trust for a period of eighteen months. In the event the State Department, Chapter or subordinate organization charter is not reissued within the eighteen-month period, the said, property, money and effects shall become the absolute property of the National Organization.

Paragraph 5: Upon revocation of the Charter of a Chapter or other subordinate unit under the jurisdiction of a State Department, all property, money and effects of the Chapter or unit shall become the property of the Department.

ARTICLE VIII(AMENDMENTS)

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Chapter upon the vote of THREE/FORTHS of the members present, provided that the proposed amendment shall have been read at TWO previous meeting prior to final action.

Section 2. It is further provided that if the amendments effects the duties of any Chapter Officer, that Officer must be notified ONE WEEK in advance by the Adjutant.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every member, when he speaks, or offers a motion, shall be standing, shall address the Chair as " COMRADE COMMANDER ", state name, and when finished shall resume his seat. While speaking he shall confine himself to the question under debate.
2. Should two or more members arise at the same time, the Chair will determine which is entitled to the floor.
3. If a member, while speaking, shall be called to order, he shall cease speaking until the question of order is determined, then, if permitted he may proceed.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without permission from the Chair.
5. Debate of any question shall be limited to 5 minutes by any one member at a time. The ruling of the Chapter Commander, or presiding Officer, is final and binding on the Chapter, unless overruled by the Chapter, upon appeal from the decision of the Chair.
6. Any member desiring to leave the hall during the meeting will proceed to the Alter and receive recognition and permission to leave the hall from the Chair, as he passes out.

RULES OF ORDER

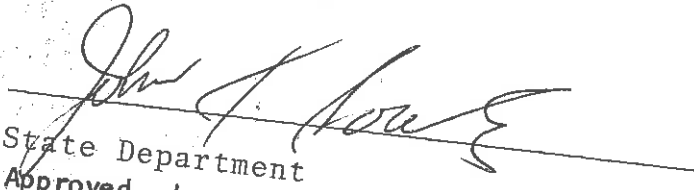
8. Visiting members shall be accorded all priviledges of the meeting, except voting or participating in any business.
09 ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER REVISED shall govern on all points of Parliamentary Law not covered by these Rules of Order, and a copy of ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER REVISED shall be on the Commanders desk at every meeting/

APPROVED BY THE MEMBERSHIP
SEPTEMBER 27, 1973

Signed



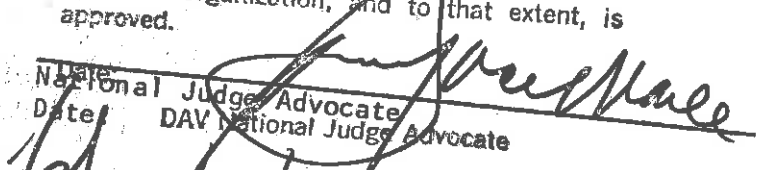
Albert J. Salvador
Commander, Chapter #60



State Department
Approved, June 7, 1976

John F. Seck
Adjutant, Chapter #60

I CERTIFY that the within constitution and/or by-laws does not conflict with those of the National Organization, and to that extent, is approved.



National Judge Advocate
Date: DAV National Judge Advocate

6/23/76