



CONSTITUTION

Article I

Name

The association shall be called the Florida Pharmacy Association, hereinafter called the Association.

Article II

Object

The Association shall be to unite all persons interested in the profession of pharmacy in the State of Florida for the following purposes:

(a) To support and encourage higher standards of pharmaceutical education at all levels of the profession in order to attract qualified personnel into the profession of pharmacy.

(b) To encourage and maintain relations with all healthcare professions and governmental bodies and agencies to enhance the overall quality of healthcare.

(c) To ensure pharmacy is practiced by properly qualified pharmacists, to protect the welfare of the public.

(d) To serve, represent, and assist the Florida pharmacists to advance the profession and practice of pharmacy.

Article III

Membership

The Association shall have six types of membership: Regular, Associate, Student, Honorary, Pharmacy Technician, and Lifetime.

Section 1 - Regular Members. Regular members shall be those persons who otherwise qualify as members in good standing and who are licensed pharmacists, entitled to practice pharmacy.

Section 2 - Associate Members. Associate members shall be those persons who otherwise qualify as members in good standing, and are interested in pharmacy or are associated with a business or profession related to the pharmaceutical profession. Associate members shall submit an application for membership and shall comply with such requirements as may be established by the Association and its Bylaws.

Section 3 - Student Members. Student members shall be those persons who otherwise qualify as members in good standing and are students in good standing,

matriculated in a college or school of pharmacy or a Board of Pharmacy approved school or technician training program.

Section 4 - Honorary Members. The Association may elect to honorary membership any person interested in pharmacy or its related sciences, at any annual meeting or special meeting of the Association called for such purpose.

Section 5 - Pharmacy Technicians. Pharmacy Technician members shall be those persons who assist licensed professional pharmacists in performing their professional duties as defined in F.S. 465. Pharmacy Technician members shall submit an application for membership and shall comply with such requirements as may be established by the association and its bylaws.

Section 6 - Lifetime Members. Current Association Regular members receiving the Florida Board of Pharmacy 50-year certificate shall receive Lifetime membership in the Association.

Article IV

Officers

The officers of the Association shall be the President, the President-Elect, the Treasurer, the Executive Vice President, the Board of Directors Chairman, Speaker of the House of Delegates and Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Section 1 - President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association and shall perform all other duties that may be incident to that office.

Section 2 - President-Elect. The President-Elect shall perform all duties of the President in the absence or inability of the President to serve. The President-Elect shall be the official representative of the Association on the Board of Directors of the House of Delegates.

Section 3 - Treasurer. The Treasurer shall perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer.

Section 4 - Executive Vice President. The Executive Vice President shall be the executive officer of the Association and shall conduct and administer the affairs of the Association in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws and subject to the policies and directives of the Board of Directors.

Section 5 - Board of Directors Chairman. The Board of Directors Chairman shall be the Immediate Past President of the Association. This chairman shall chair all meetings of the Board of Directors and shall arrange the meeting and expedite all business to be transacted by this Board of Directors. The Chairman may select another member of the Board of Directors to serve in his/her absence or, if none is selected,

the President may chair a preliminary meeting to select a Board of Directors member to chair that meeting.

Section 6 - Speaker of the House of Delegates. The Speaker of the House of Delegates shall be the person elected by the House of Delegates to serve as the Speaker. The Speaker shall be the official representative of the House of Delegates on the Board of Directors.

Section 7 - Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates. The Vice-Speaker shall be the person elected by the House of Delegates to serve as Vice Speaker. The Vice-Speaker shall be installed as the Speaker in one year.

Section 8 - Qualification of Officers. No person shall be elected to any office in the Association unless such person is a member in good standing.

Section 9 - Inability to Serve. In the event of the death or inability of an officer to serve, the President will appoint a replacement with the approval of the Board of Directors to complete the term of the office, or until an election is held.

Article V

Board of Directors

Section 1 - Membership. There shall be a Board of Directors of which the Immediate Past President of the Association shall be chairman. The Board of Directors will consist of the following 19 members:

- The elected officers of the Association
 - Immediate Past-President, as chair
 - President
 - President-elect
 - Treasurer
 - Speaker of the House
 - Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates
- The Executive Vice-President of the Association, as secretary
- The President of FSHP
- Nine (9) elected directors who will serve staggered terms
- One (1) elected student director
- One (1) elected technician

Section 2 - Duties. The Board of Directors is the only body that can establish and implement policy for the Association. The Board of Directors shall approve the Executive Vice President, approve his salary and other terms of his appointment; the term of office; prescribe his duties and direct his activities where such duties and activities are not specifically provided in the Constitution or Bylaws. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for arranging and expediting business during meetings of

the Association. The Board of Directors shall expend the funds of the Association for such matters and things as, in the judgment of the Board of Directors, shall be for the betterment of pharmacy in the State of Florida and of value to the members of the Association, the profession of pharmacy, and the health and welfare of the citizens of the State of Florida. The Board of Directors shall audit charges against the Association. The Board of Directors shall, in their usual order of business, review the report of the President's Committee and approve or correct actions the President's Committee has taken on behalf of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall perform such other duties as are normally incident to such a committee. Any member of a Florida Pharmacy Association Council or Committee is not authorized to speak on behalf of the Association, either verbally or in writing, without the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 3 - Meetings. The Board of Directors shall meet at least twice a year at such times that one of the meetings must occur no more than eight months and no less than one month prior to the regular annual meeting of the Association. A meeting of the Board of Directors may be called by the chairman or by petition of one-fourth of its members at other times as Association business may demand. A quorum of the members of the Board of Directors, as defined in the Bylaws, must be present in order to transact any business. All meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to any Regular Member and the membership shall be informed of the meeting by the Executive Vice President in advance, when time permits; however, all members of this Board of Directors must be notified.

Section 4 - Voting. Only members of the Board of Directors shall be entitled to vote at a meeting of the Board of Directors. Any member of the Board of Directors may designate another member of the Florida Pharmacy Association to cast his vote by proxy as defined in the Bylaws.

Section 5 - Qualifications to Board of Directors. No person shall be appointed to the Board of Directors unless such person is a member in good standing.

Article VI

Meetings

Section 1 - Regular Meetings. There shall be an annual meeting of the Association at such time and place as the Board of Directors shall direct.

Section 2 - Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Association may be held from time to time as the business of the Association may require, upon written request of fifty (50) Regular Members of the Association. In the event of such a special meeting, the Executive Vice President shall mail written notice to each voting member no less than twenty-five (25) days prior to the date of such meeting. The notice shall state the time and place of such meeting and all the matters to be

brought before the Association at such special meeting unless deemed to be of an emergency nature by the Board of Directors.

Section 3 - Voting. At any regular or special meeting of the Association, all members in good standing in this Association shall be entitled to vote, except for Honorary Members.

Article VII

House of Delegates

There shall be established a House of Delegates as defined in the Bylaws of the Association.

Article VIII

President's Committee

There shall be established a President's Committee as defined in the Bylaws of the Association.

Article IX

The Florida Pharmacy foundation

There shall be established a foundation as defined in the Bylaws of the Association.

Article X

Florida Pharmacy Today Corporation

There shall be established a *Florida Pharmacy Today Corporation* as defined in the Bylaws of the Association.

Article XI

Bylaws

The Association may establish such Bylaws, not in conflict with this Constitution, as may be deemed necessary to direct and control the affairs of the Association.

Article XII

Amendments

This Constitution may be altered or amended provided that such proposal to alter or amend same shall be submitted to the Chair of the Organizational Affairs Council in writing. The proposed alteration or amendment to the Constitution shall be read at the annual meeting of the Association. Upon majority approval of the membership voting, the proposed amendment shall then be referred to the Board of Directors who shall cause the Executive Vice President to publish such proposed amendment in the Florida Pharmacy Today, which is placed in circulation at least thirty (30) days prior to the ballot being mailed to the membership. Upon the vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the voting members returning the ballot by the specified deadline, in favor of adoption of the amendment, it shall become a part of this Constitution.

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