

Navy League Of The United States



Bremerton-Olympic Peninsula Council

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME AND ADDRESS

Section 1

The name of the Council shall be The Navy League of the United States, Bremerton - Olympic Peninsula Council. This council obtained its charter on May 2, 1948, originally known as The Navy League of the United States, Bremerton Council.

Section 2

The principal office of the Council shall be located in the state of Washington, county of Kitsap, and city of Bremerton.

ARTICLE II - OBJECT AND PURPOSE

Section 1

This Council is organized and shall be operated exclusively for educational purposes including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations qualifying as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue law. In carrying out the foregoing purposes, the Council shall have the power to acquire and disseminate to citizens of the United States information concerning the condition of the naval forces and equipment of the United States and to increase interest and cooperation in all matters tending to improve maritime efficiency. The Council shall make no declaration of policy in contravention of the Policy of Navy League National Headquarters. In all matters of policy, the Council shall carry out the aims and purposes of the Navy League as established by the National Board of Directors.

Section 2

No part of the net earnings of the Council shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, Directors, Officers, or other private persons, except that the Council shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services actually rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes as stated in these Articles. No substantial part of the Council's activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Council shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Section 3

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Council shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law, or (b) by an organization,

contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERS AND DIRECTORS

Section 1

The Council shall have members. They shall be elected in the manner provided in accordance with the Bylaws.

Section 2

The Council shall have Directors. The number of Directors and their manner of selection shall be provided in the Bylaws.

Section 3

The names and addresses of the persons who are currently Directors of the Council are available on request.

ARTICLE IV - AMENDMENTS

Section 1

These Articles shall not be amended unless the amendment has been approved by the Board of Directors and subsequently confirmed by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a general meeting, in the call for which notice of the proposed amendment has been included.

ARTICLE V - DISSOLUTION

Section 1

In case of revocation of the Council Charter, or dissolution of the Council for any reason, the Council President shall cause to be transferred to the National Treasurer all funds remaining in the treasury of the Council at the time it ceased to exist, provided that the National Headquarters is in existence at that time and is then exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

In the event that the National Headquarters has ceased to exist at the time of the dissolution or is not then exempt, all remaining assets of the Council shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue law, or shall be distributed to the Federal Government, or to a state or local government, exclusively for public purposes.

Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction for the district in which the principal office of the Council is then located exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

These Articles have been adopted this 8th day of April, 1997 by vote of the Council and a copy placed in the minutes and records of the Navy League of the United States, Bremerton - Olympic Peninsula Council. A true, correct, and complete copy.