

**BY-LAWS**  
**VIRGINIA MOOSE ASSOCIATION**

**ARTICLE I**

*NAME*

**The name of the Association shall be the "Virginia Moose Association, Inc." hereafter referred to as the Association, a Virginia non-profit corporation.**

**ARTICLE II**

*Objectives*

**The objectives of the Association are to bring together in closer fraternal cooperation the Lodges of the Loyal Order of the Moose and the Membership of such Lodges in the State of Virginia; to aid and promote the purpose of the Loyal Order of the Moose, to build the Membership strength of the Order; to exchange ideas and ideals which may be of benefit to the various Lodges and their Members; to promote interest in the work of Ritual Staffs and similar units; to encourage a broader interest in Lodge sports and family activities; to stimulate participation in Community Service programs; to adopt programs and projects for the betterment to Mooseheart and Moosehaven to include the building of the Endowment Fund for the support of these institutions; to foster closer relationship between Lodges in Virginia and Lodges in neighboring States, and to coordinate the programs and directives of Moose International, Inc. and the Supreme Lodge.**

**ARTICLE III**

*Authority*

**The Association at all times shall be amendable to and under the supervision of Moose International, Inc. and the Supreme Lodge, its Officers, its Executive Committee, the Supreme Council and be bound and governed by the Constitution of Moose International and the**

**Supreme Lodge and General Laws of the Supreme Lodge and the By-Laws of Moose International.**

**ARTICLE IV**

**Membership**

**Membership in the Association shall consist of all Lodges of the Loyal Order of the Moose in the State of Virginia that are in good standing in the Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of the Moose and the Virginia Moose Association.**

**ARTICLE V**

**Composition**

**Section 1. For convenience in carrying out the functions of the Association, Districts, comprised of geographically related Lodges, shall be established by the Board of Officers of the Association.**

**Section 2. The current composition of the Association is as follows:**

**EASTERN REGION**

**DISTRICT 1**

39 NORFOLK  
141 SUFFOLK  
464 SOUTH NORFOLK  
898 PORTSMOUTH  
1198 ARAGONA VILLAGE  
1940 CHESAPEAKE

**DISTRICT 2**

683 EXMORE  
757 WILLIAMSBURG  
886 GLOUCESTER  
1119 NEWPORT NEWS  
1514 HAMPTON  
1711 WARWICK  
2169 CHINCOTEAGUE

**DISTRICT 3**

917 CALLAO  
1267 COLONIAL BEACH  
2133 TAPPAHANNOCK-WARSAW  
2333 MONTROSS  
2401 MIDDLESEX  
2527 LANCASTER COUNTY

**NORTHERN REGION**

**DISTRICT 4**

583 WOODBRIDGE  
1076 FRANCONIA  
1315 ARLINGTON  
1348 CULPEPER  
1380 MANASSAS  
1655 FREDRICKSBURG  
1695 WARRENTON  
1896 VIENNA  
2165 DALE CITY  
2168 CENTREVILLE  
2215 STAFFORD  
2274 HERNDON

**DISTRICT 5**

403 STRASBURG  
575 WOODSTOCK  
829 FRONT ROYAL  
979 MT JACKSON  
1041 LEESBURG  
1283 WINCHESTER  
2139 BERRYVILLE  
2483 STEPHEN CITY

**DISTRICT 6**

1028 CHARLOTTESVILLE  
1309 WAYNESBORO  
1413 LURAY  
1635 STAUNTON  
1686 HARRISONBURG  
2065 LOUISA  
2104 BUCKINGHAM COUNTY  
2164 CROZET  
2172 VERONA  
2176 SHENANDOAH  
2198 ORANGE COUNTY  
2335 TIMBERVILLE

**WESTERN REGION**

**DISTRICT 7**

610 COVINGTON  
690 GLASGOW  
1683 CLIFTON FORGE  
1700 LEXINGTON  
2135 BLUE RIDGE  
2182 BUCHANAN

**DISTRICT 10**

715 LYNCHBURG  
968 FARMVILLE  
975 APPOMATTOX  
1433 ALTAVISTA  
1507 BROOKNEAL  
1897 BEDFORD  
1727 LYNCHBURG SOUTH  
2032 PINEY RIVER

**DISTRICT 11**

284 ROANOKE  
383 BASSETT  
1053 ROCKY MOUNT  
1121 VINTON  
1470 MONTGOMERY COUNTY  
2346 SMITH MOUNTAIN LAKE  
2573 SALEM

**DISTRICT 12**

394 WYTHEVILLE  
733 GALAX  
1338 PEARISBURG  
2087 PULASKI  
2300 FLOYD  
2360 DUBLIN

**DISTRICT 13**

198 TAZEWELL  
1004 SMYTH COUNTY  
1966 WASHINGTON COUNTY

**MID REGION**

**DISTRICT 8**

1084 BLACKSTONE  
1472 HOPEWELL  
1783 COLONIAL HEIGHTS

1872 SOUTH HILL  
1980 CHESTERFIELD  
1993 DINWIDDIE

**DISTRICT 9**

699 MANCHESTER  
1163 TUCKAHOE  
1714 RICHMOND LAKESIDE  
1840 POWHATAN  
1937 SANDSTON  
1947 RICHMOND EAST  
2099 ASHLAND  
2470 NEW KENT COUNTY  
2610 CAROLINE COUNTY  
2634 KING WILLIAM

**Section 3. The lodges to be included in the various Districts may be altered from time to time and new Districts established as determined by the Board of Officers.**

**Section 4. Each District within the Association shall, between annual Conventions of the Association, hold a minimum of four regular meetings with at least one meeting being held each quarter. The meetings of the Districts shall be conducted with an agenda furnished by the Association.**

**Section 5. The elected offices of the District, and the Governors and Administrators of the Lodges within the District, shall be Members of the District Executive Committee which shall meet at the call of the District President who shall preside.**

**ARTICLE VI**

**Authority**

**The Association at all times shall be subject to the Supreme Lodge, its officers, the Supreme Council, and the Executive Committee. These By-Laws, or any amendments hereto, shall be subject to approval of the General Governor, Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of the Moose.**

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Delegates**

**Section 1. Each Lodge in good standing with the Association shall be entitled to be represented in the meetings of the Association by voting delegates, which shall consist of the Governor and Administrator and one (1) additional delegate for each fifty (50) Members on the rolls, or a majority fraction thereof; provided that no one Lodge shall be entitled to a representation exceeding fifteen (15) delegates nor cast more than fifteen (15) votes. The fifteen (15) delegates shall be comprised of the elected Officers of the Lodge plus eligible Past Governors of the Lodge. In addition to voting "delegates" each Lodge may have in attendance non-voting attendees.**

**Section 2. Each delegate elected to represent his Lodge at a meeting of the Association, shall receive from his Lodge a certification of his election prepared by the Administrator, under the seal of the Lodge. Each delegate present for a vote of the Association shall be entitled to one vote, providing the total number of votes does not exceed the number entitled the Lodge, based on the dues which have been assessed by the Association and subject to the limitations contained in Section 1 of this Article.**

**Section 3. All Past Presidents of the Association, and all Members of the Board of Officers of the Association, who are Members of Lodges in good standing within the Association, shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a Delegate, and shall not be counted as part of the Lodge entitlement referred to in Section 2 of this Article.**

**Section 4. Any Regional Director and any Special Representative of the Membership Department, appointed to serve the Association, shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a Delegate, and shall not be counted as part of the Lodge entitlement referred to in Section 2 of this Article.**

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Quorum**

**Section 1. Any number to duly accredited Delegates, representing at least a majority of the Member Lodge in good standing, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any duly authorized session of the Association; provided, that the President, Vice-President, Prelate, or Junior Past President(in that order)be present to preside**

**Section 2. A majority of all votes cast shall decide all questions except those which involve amendment, alteration or addition to these By-Laws, or an appeal from decision of the Chair, either of which shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the duly accredited Delegates in attendance.**

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Elected Officers**

**The elected Officers of the Association shall consist of President, Vice-President, Prelate, Secretary, Treasurer, and one (1) District President from each District within the Association.**

## **ARTICLE X**

### **Board of Officers**

**Section 1. The Board of Officers of this Association shall be composed of the elected and appointed Officers and the Junior Past President who are Members of Lodge in good standing within the Association, and who are themselves in good standing within their respective Lodges. The State/Regional Director, Special Representative, Supreme Lodge Representatives and appointees, who are in good standing with their respective Lodge, and whose Lodge-if a Member Lodge of the Association-is in good standing with the Association, shall serve on the Board of Officers of the Association. Supreme Lodge representatives and Appointees shall include the following Supreme Lodge Officers(including but not limited to: Supreme Council Members, Executive Committee Members, Past Supreme Governors, Supreme Inner Guard, Supreme Outer Guard and Supreme Sergeant-at-Arms), Justices of the Supreme Forum, Deputy Supreme Governors, Membership Department Coordinators, Moose Legion Ambassadors, members of the following Boards of Committees: Mooseheart Board of Governors, Moosehaven Board of Governors, Endowment Fund Board, Community Service Board, Judiciary Committee, International Sports Committee, Membership Activities Committee and such other Boards or Committees created by the Supreme Lodge and so notified in writing to the Association by the General Governor.**

**Section 2. The Board of Officers, during the times that the Association is not in session, shall take general charge and supervision of the affairs of the Association and perform such duties as may be necessary and proper to protect the interests, promote the welfare and accomplish the**

objectives of the Association; it shall carefully and judiciously control the finances of the Association and prepare a budget for the disbursement of the Association funds. It shall have the authority to fix salary of the Secretary and shall have the right to authorize payment of all reasonable expenses incurred on behalf of the Association at each annual meeting a report, in writing, of all its accounts since the last annual meeting. It shall perform such other duties as may be imposed upon it by these By-Laws or by the Association.

**Section 3.** A majority shall constitute a quorum of the Board of Officers and the President and the Secretary of the Association, and shall be respectively, Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Officers.

**Section 4.** Except where prohibited by these By-Laws, the Board of Officers, between meetings of said Board, shall have the right, by recorded actions, to delegate its powers, except the power to appropriate the funds of the Association, to an Executive Committee consisting of the President, Vice President, Junior Past President, Prelate, Secretary, Treasurer, and State/Regional Director or Special Representatives, for the purpose of expediting the performance of functions otherwise performed by said Board of Officers.

**Section 5.** The Board of Officers, or the President, with the authority of the Executive Committee, may order an audit of any funds of the Association, including any special funds accounts, and the Chairman of any committee having a special fund account shall submit in writing a full accounting report at any time requested by the Board of Officers, or the President, and at least once a year to the Secretary, whether or not called for at the annual meeting.

**Section 6.** Each person who is or has been a director or officer of this corporation and who has acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in the best interest of the corporation and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful, shall be indemnified by the corporation against expenses including attorney fees necessarily incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement in any action or proceeding to which he is a party, alone or together with others, with reason of his being or having been a director or officer acting in a managerial capacity.

Each such person shall also be reimbursed by the Association for any amounts paid by such person in satisfaction of any judgement or settlement in connection with any such act, suit, or proceeding, unless such person shall be adjudged in such action, suit, or proceeding to be

liable for misconduct in the performance of his duties to the corporation.

The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to any rights to which such person may be entitled as a matter of law.

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **Term of Office**

**Section 1.** Each elected Officer, except the Secretary, shall be chosen for a term of one (1) year to begin at the adjournment of the annual meeting at which he is elected. The Secretary shall be elected for a term of three (3) years. Each officer shall serve until his successor has been duly elected and qualified.

**Section 2.** Vacancies in any of the elected offices shall be filled by the Board of Officers for the unexpired term.

**Section 3.** The President, with the consent and approval of the Board of Officers, shall have the power to declare any office vacant except the office of Secretary, if in his opinion the occupant has failed to perform the duties of such office. The office of Secretary may be declared vacant providing that the majority of the Board of Officers vote that, in their opinion, the occupant has failed to perform the duties of the office.

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **Nomination and Election of Officers**

**Section 1.** The Nominating Committee of the Association shall consist of Members of the Board of Officers, four Past Presidents in order of juniority together with five (5) representatives appointed by the President who shall be Past Presidents or committeemen, and selected from five (5) Member Lodges in good standing with the Association.

**Section 2.** This committee shall place in nomination at least one candidate for each office to be filled. Names may be sent to the Nominating Committee which shall be given due consideration. Any eligible Member of the Association, who has submitted his name for a specific office, but not nominated by the Nominating Committee, shall have his name placed upon the ballot by filling a petition with the Secretary of the Association, prior to the beginning of the session at which the election is to held, containing the names and Lodge number of not less than ten (10) percent of the registered Delegates, attending the annual meeting. A Past President of the Association is ineligible to

serve in any elected office of the Association unless prior dispensation is obtained from the General Governor.

**Section 3.** The Treasurer may be selected from a rotating basis. The Treasurer may be selected from a Region starting with the Northern Region and rotating to West, Mid, East yearly.

**Section 4.** The nominee for President must be a Past Governor of the Order, served at least one year in an elected office of the Association, and may not have previously served as President of the Association.

**Section 5.** Each District shall hold a meeting at least two weeks before the date of the annual meeting for the purpose of selecting their recommendation for District President, and electing their Vice President, Prelate, Secretary and Treasurer of the District. The selection for President of the District shall be submitted to the Association Nominating Committee as a recommendation by the District.

**Section 6.** The Nominating Committee shall report to the annual meeting of the Association during its second day's session if the meeting lasts for three (3) days. If it shall not last for three (3) days then such report shall be made on the first day of the meeting.

**Section 7.** The election of officers shall be held during the final session of the annual meeting. In the event of a contested office, election shall take place by secret ballot.

**Section 8.** The Officers, elected and appointed, and Committee Chairmen shall be installed into office prior to the close of the annual meeting utilizing the ritual provided by the Ritual Department of Moose International.

**Section 9.** Ballots may be obtained by the Election Committee ONLY on the day before election from 12 noon to 4:00p.m. by the authorized delegates. Ballots may be returned to the Election Committee up to 4:00 p.m. on the day before election and between the hours of 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. on Election Day. No ballot will be accepted after 9 a.m. Once a ballot is cast it becomes the property of the Association and cannot be returned for any reason. Ballots will be sealed and counted after 9 a.m. on Election Day.

**Section 10.** The printing, circulating or distribution of any written or printed matter, resolutions, letters, tickets, sample ballots, or written communication through any electronic media (email, facsimile, etc) by a member or anyone acting on behalf of a member, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of a proposed

**candidate for any Association office, is hereby prohibited. For any violation of this section, the General Governor may suspend the offending member or members, and in his judgment, disqualify a candidate for office or void the election of any officer or officers actively or tacitly involved in such conduct and order a new election.**

## **ARTICLE XIII**

### **Meetings**

**Section 1. There shall be an annual meeting, hereafter called "convention" and a mid-year meeting hereafter called "mid-year conference" of the Association to be held at such place as has been determined by the Board of Officers. The convention of the Association shall be held during the months of July through October and the conference of the Association shall be held during the months of January through April of each year.**

**Section 2. With the consent of the General Governor, the Board of Officers may call other meetings of the Association when in its opinion the interests and welfare of the Association justify it.**

**Section 3. A registration fee, as determined by the Board of Officers, may be charged to those members attending a meeting of the Association.**

## **ARTICLE XIV**

### **Association Dues**

**Section 1. Each lodge of the Association shall remit to the Secretary on the last day of April of each year, a sum equivalent to \$2.00 per Member on the rolls of the Lodge, the computation to be based upon the certified quarterly reports of the Lodges within the Association submitted to the Supreme Secretary at Moose International, for the period ending October 31<sup>st</sup>; provided however, that in no case shall the payment of the Association dues for any one lodge exceed \$15,000, and shall remit \$1.00 per application to the Association for membership promotion.**

**Section 2. No Member Lodge delinquent in it's Association dues shall participate in meetings or activities of the Association. This expressly prohibits group or team entries such as Ritual Teams, bowling and other athletic team participation in any Association activities unless Association dues are paid for the current year, as covered in Section 1 of**

**this Article. This section shall not prohibit a Moose Member in good standing of a Lodge delinquent in its Association dues, from attending any and all meetings of the Association, provided he meets the requirements thereof, and he shall not be a qualified voting Delegate on issues before the meetings.**

## **ARTICLE XV**

### **Duties of Officers**

**Section 1. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association; he shall preside over all meetings of the Association, the Board of Officers and the Executive Committee and shall appoint officers and committees and call meetings of the Board of Officers and Executive Committee at such times as the business of the Association may require. He shall with the State/Regional Director/Special Representative supervise and correlate the activities and visitations of the District Presidents and shall have authority to visit the Lodges which are Members of the Association. He shall appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Inner and Outer Guards and Assistant Inner and Outer Guards as he may deem necessary.**

**Section 2. In absence of the President at a stated meeting of the Association or Board of Officers or Executive Committee, the Vice President, Prelate or the Junior Past President shall preside in that order.**

**Section 3. Each District President shall:**

- A. Visit Lodges in his District to continue for the purpose of encouraging and promoting progress in the development of fraternal programs.**
- B. Encourage each Lodge in his District to continue its affiliation with the Association and cooperate with the Secretary of the Association in the collection of dues.**
- C. Cooperate with the Association Officers in the collection of funds in connection with any program sponsored by the Association.**
- D. Encourage membership promotion in cooperation with the Membership Department of Moose International and the State/Regional Director/Special Representative.**
- E. Cooperate with the Association Ritual Chairman in encouraging the formation of Ritual staffs and to encourage perfection and efficiency by the Officers in their charges as well as the exemplifications of the ritual in all Lodge ceremonies.**

**F. Attend all Board of Officers meetings of the Association**  
**G. Cooperate with the Association chairmen in all authorized activity in his District.**

**H. Prepare a written report to be given at the meetings of the Association covering all phases of activities within his District.**  
**Section 4. The Secretary shall keep a true and correct record of all the proceedings of the Association, the Board of Officers and the Executive Committee, and promptly attend to all correspondence and perform all duties usually pertaining to the office of the Secretary. He shall give adequate surety bond in an amount to be fixed by the Board of Officers, the premium on which shall be paid from the treasury funds of Association, which checks shall then be countersigned by the Treasurer. He shall submit an annual report to the Association showing the condition thereof and of the Lodges within the jurisdiction of the Association so far as he is able to ascertain; he shall receive and account for all monies turned in to the Association and shall furnish the Treasurer with duplicate deposit slips showing all funds deposited to Association accounts, and shall perform such other duties as may be properly required of him. He shall receive such compensation for his services as may be determined by the Board of Officers.**

**Section 5. The Vice President shall assist the President in the conduct of business of the Association at the conferences and convention. He shall be responsible for guiding the District Presidents in their duties and shall be in charge of the reports of the District Presidents at the meetings of the Association. The Vice President shall be the major alternate to the President in making visitations and promoting the purpose and goals of the Association consistent with the purposes and goals of the Fraternity.**

**Section 6. The Treasurer shall, at all times, be kept informed by the Association Secretary, as to true financial status of the Association and shall perform such other duties as the Board of Officers may consider necessary to the Association. He shall assist the Secretary in the preparation of the annual budget and financial report and shall countersign all checks drawn on funds of the Association that are properly authorized.**

**Section 7. The Prelate shall open and close all meetings of the Association with appropriate prayer.**

**Section 8. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall execute the orders of the President during the sessions of the Association/and or Board of**

Officers, assist in preserving order, act as Marshal on public occasions and in parades, and in case of executive sessions shall, with such assistance as he may select, examine all present as to their qualifications to remain.

Section 9. The Inner Guard and Outer Guard shall take charge of the door during all sessions of the Association and shall permit only such persons to enter as are duly qualified representatives or as may be directed by the President or by the Association.

## **ARTICLE XVI**

### **Committees**

Section 1. The standing committees of the Association shall be as follows.

**Credentials Committee**

**By-Laws Committee**

**Rules and Order Committee**

**Public Relations Committee**

**Audit Committee**

**Resolutions Committee**

**Community Service Committee**

**Ritual Committee**

**Sports Committee**

**Membership Committee**

**Mooseheart/Moosehaven Endowment Fund  
Committee**

**Historical Committee**

**Moose Family Activities Committee**

**Government Relations**

And such other committees as may be deemed necessary by the Board of Officers and/ or Moose International.

Section 2. Except where otherwise provided, all committees shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Board of Officers at the conclusion of the convention or until their successors have been appointed. All other committees may be appointed at or before the convention at which the appointed President shall preside.

## **ARTICLE XVII**

### **Order of Business**

**The agenda for the conventions and conferences shall be established by Moose International and coordinates with the Association's Rules and Order Committee through the Regional Director/Special Representative, but in the event of no such action the order of business shall be as follows.**

- 1. Opening ceremony**
- 2. Roll call of Officers**
- 3. Report of Credentials Committee**
- 4. Appointment of necessary Committees**
- 5. Report of Officers**
- 6. Reports of Committees**
  - (a) Standing Committees**
  - (b) Special Committees**
- 7. Report of Nominating Committee**
- 8. Election of Officers**
- 9. Selection of place for next meeting**
- 10. Good of the Order**
- 11. Installation of Officers**
- 12. Adjournment**

## **ARTICLE XVIII**

### **Length of Meeting**

**The time devoted to the meetings of the Association shall be limited to three (3) days or six (6) sessions. The election of Officers for the ensuing year shall be held at the final session of the last day of the convention.**

## **ARTICLE XIX**

### **Honorary Past President**

**The Association may, at its convention, after recommendation by the Resolutions Committee, confer the title of Honorary Past President upon a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose.**

## **ARTICLE XX**

### **Adoption-Effect-Amendments**

**These By-Laws shall become effective when adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Association at its 1995 Convention and when approved by the General Governor of the Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of the Moose. The By-Laws go in effect September 1, 1995.**

**No amendment, alteration or addition to these By-Laws shall be made unless the same shall have been presented, in writing, to the By-Laws Committee, passed on by them and ratified by a two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast at a regular convention of the Association and become effective when approved by the General Governor.**

## **ARTICLE XXI**

### **Rules of Order**

**Except as may otherwise be provided, Robert Rules of Order shall govern all parliamentary proceedings of the Association.**

## CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that we are respectively President and Secretary of the Virginia Moose Association. We further certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing By-Laws of said Association and that they constitute a true and correct copy of the By-Laws adopted by the Virginia Moose Association by two-thirds (2/3) vote at its convention held at Richmond, Virginia on August 15, 1998, at which a quorum was present. We do further certify that the original copy of said By-Laws is on file with the Secretary of the Association.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names this 11th day of February, A.D. 1999.

Darwin L. Robinson Jr.  
President

Wesley J. Casalter  
Secretary

Association Seal

Attest:

Mateer S. Vreone, Jr.  
State Director

## CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am General Governor of the Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose. I do further certify that I have examined the foregoing laws of the Virginia Moose Association and find same are in accordance with the Constitution and General Laws of Moose International and the Supreme Lodge.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of Moose International this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 1999.

David A. Chamber  
General Governor

APPROVED

FEB 25 1999

MOOSE INTERNATIONAL SEAL

GENERAL GOVERNOR



VIRGINIA MOOSE ASSOCIATION

POLICY

In accordance with Chapter 51 of the General Laws, it is the policy of the Virginia Moose Association that every lodge in the Association must timely and properly submit a "Lodge Moose of the Year" form in accordance with the instructions on the form.

Any lodge in the Association that does **not** properly and timely submit a "Lodge Moose of the Year" form will be placed in a "Not In Good Standing" status in the Association.

Any lodge that is placed in a "Not In Good Standing" status in the Association will remain in that status until the Association at its discretion determines and is convinced that the lodge will fully comply and properly participate in the Moose International "Moose of the Year" program.

The penalties for being "Not In Good Standing" are:

- (1) The lodge will not receive a Fellowship Degree form.
- (2) The lodge cannot vote on matters before the Association.
- (3) The lodge cannot participate in Association sporting events.
- (4) Other penalties as determined appropriate by the Association that are within the authority of the Association under the General Laws.

The effective date of this Policy is July 20, 2007.

Wallace F. McLamb  
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Chairman - By-Laws Committee  
Virginia Moose Association

OFFICIAL:

Wesley I. Crowder  
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Secretary  
Virginia Moose Association

ATTEST:

Mateer S. Grove, Jr.  
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Secretary  
Virginia Moose Association

ATTEST:

MATEER S. GROVE, JR.  
Regional Manager

APPROVED

JUL 26 2007

GENERAL GOVERNOR

# VIRGINIA MOOSE ASSOCIATION

July 2011

## Virginia Moose Association Policy

Reference: Section 51.2 of the General Laws  
Section 51.5 of the General Laws  
Section 46.5 of the General Laws

### Lodge Representative

In accordance with Chapter 51 of the General Laws, it is the policy of the Virginia Moose Association that the Lodge Governor and the Lodge Administrator are the Lodge Representatives for the purpose of representing the Lodge at all Association conventions, conferences, district meetings, workshops and training seminars as required by Section 51.5 of the General Laws.

Any Lodge in the Association that does not comply with this policy will be placed in a "Not in Good Standing" status in the Association.

Any lodge that is placed in a "Not in Good Standing" status in the Association will remain in that status until the Association at its discretion determines that the lodge will fully comply with this lodge representative policy and your lodge is represented at all required meetings.

The penalties for being "Not in Good Standing" are:

First Time Violation: Close Social Quarters for 7 consecutive days  
Second Time Violation: Close Social Quarter for 14 consecutive days  
Third Time Violation: The General Governor will determine the penalty

In addition to the above:

- (1) The Lodge will not receive a Fellowship Degree form
- (2) The Lodge cannot vote on matters before the Association
- (3) The Lodge cannot participate in the Association sporting events
- (4) Other penalties as determined appropriate by the Association that are within the authority of the Association under the General Laws

All requests to be excused as the Lodge Representative at Virginia Moose

## VIRGINIA MOOSE ASSOCIATION

Associations conventions, conferences, meetings and events shall be submitted with justification to **either the President of the Virginia Moose Association or the State Regional Manager. Both of which are granted authority to approve or not approve any request be be excused.**

In any instance where the Lodge Governor or the Lodge Administrator are properly excused as the Lodge Representatives; the Lodge shall select an Alternate Representative. The Alternate Representative selected by the Lodge shall be an elected officer of the current Lodge Board of Officers, **or when necessary, the lodge shall select any active member to serve as an alternate representative.**

Allowing some lodges to not comply with the requirements of Section 51.5 would be unfair to the lodges working hard each day to obey our laws and policies. Therefore, it is only fair and reasonable that penalties be incurred by those Lodges not in compliance with the General Laws.

This Policy replaces and supersedes the Virginia Moose Association Policy, Lodge Representative, dated July 2009.

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