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# **Amendments of Articles of Incorporation.**

In accordance with the California Corporations Code, nonprofit corporation law, public benefit corporations, section 5812, proposed amendments to the Articles of Incorporation, may be approved by a majority vote of the board followed by a majority vote of a meeting of members.

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## Articles of Incorporation Proposal No. 1:

### Article V:

#### Current

#### ARTICLES V

There shall be no capital stock issued by this corporation. The members of this corporation shall consist of such persons as may be elected as such under provisions of the bylaws of this corporation, and shall be limited to male persons of the age of eighteen (18) years or over who are citizens of good repute in the community, who are the lineal descendants of an ancestor or ancestors who was at all times unfailing in his loyalty to and rendered active service in the cause of the American independence, either as an officer, soldier, seaman, marine, militiaman or minute man in the armed forces of the Continental Congress, or of any of the several Colonies or States or as signer of the Declaration of Independence, or as a member of the Committee of Safety or Correspondence, or as a member of any Continental Provincial, or Colonial Congress or Legislature, or as a recognized patriot who performed actual service by overt acts or resistance to the authority of Great Britain, provided, however, that no person advocating the overthrow of the Government of the United States by use of force or violence shall be eligible for membership in the Society.

Membership in this corporation shall not be transferable.

#### Proposed

#### ARTICLES V

There shall be no capital stock issued by this corporation. The members of this corporation shall consist of such persons as may be elected as such under provisions of the bylaws of this corporation, and shall be limited to male persons **of the age of eighteen (18) years or over** who are citizens of good repute in the community, who are the lineal descendants of an ancestor **or ancestors** who, **at the time of the last known service, demonstrated was at all times unfailing in his** loyalty to and rendered active service in the cause of the American independence either as an officer, soldier, seaman, marine, militiaman, or minute man in the armed forces of the Continental Congress, or of any of the several Colonies or States, or as signer of the Declaration of Independence, or as a member

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of the Committee of Safety or Correspondence, or as a member of any Continental Provincial, or Colonial Congress or Legislature, **as a foreign national of, but not limited to, France, Germany, Poland, Spain, Sweden, or Switzerland who rendered service in the cause of American Independence**, or as a recognized patriot who performed actual service by overt acts or resistance to the authority of Great Britain, provided, however, that no person advocating the overthrow of the Government of the United States by use of force or violence shall be eligible for membership in the Society.

## **Rationale**

To make the Articles consistent with Article III of the NSSAR Constitution, and with NSSAR genealogy policies.

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## Articles of Incorporation Proposal No. 2:

### ARTICLE XI:

#### Current

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An appointed Bylaws Committee shall prepare the language for any proposed amendment to the Bylaws. The chapters of this society shall be given notice of such proposed amendment at least 90 days prior to a meeting of the membership at which the amendment shall be put to vote. An affirmative vote of two-thirds of the chapters of this society present and eligible to vote, represented by the chapter president or his designated alternate, shall be required for approval.

#### Proposed

#### ARTICLE XI

An appointed Bylaws Committee shall prepare the language for any proposed amendment to the Bylaws. The chapters of this society shall be given notice of such proposed amendment at least ~~90~~ 30 days prior to a meeting of the membership at which the amendment shall be put to vote. An affirmative vote of two-thirds of the chapters of this society present and eligible to vote, represented by the chapter president or his designated alternate, shall be required for approval.

#### Rationale

This article was adopted at a time when communications were by postal mail. The lengthy period is no longer necessary.