

**BYLAWS CHANGE REQUEST FROM MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

**Procedural clarification relative to Life Membership**

**Background and Rationale:** Recently, the Life Membership category was modified. The purpose of this bylaws change is to clarify procedures for processing requests regarding the Life Membership category.

**AS READ IN CURRENT BYLAWS:**

Section 4. Life Membership.

A Life Member is any individual member who has maintained membership in the Association for 35 years, or if such member is at the point of retirement, for 25 years. Life members shall have all the privileges of active members and shall be exempted from payment of all dues. Life Membership shall be granted by a majority vote of the House of Delegates.

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

A Life Member is any individual member who has maintained membership in the Association for 35 years, or if such member is at the point of retirement, for 25 years. Life members shall have all the privileges of active members and shall be exempted from payment of all dues. **Such individuals may be nominated or self-nominate via written request to the Executive Board for placement on the next HOD agenda.** Life Membership shall be granted by a majority vote of the House of Delegates.