**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

**8 TH & I REUNION ASSOCIATION**

**Amended:**

8/10/90 05/18/13

6/13/92 07/16/16

8/10/95

11/06/98

05/01/04

08/04/05

07/24/10

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**PREAMBLE**

It being a well-established fact that a number of individuals laboring for the

accomplishments of the same purpose, and more likely to obtain the objects desired by

combining their efforts than by separate action, and by forming themselves into an organized

body will better protect their individual rights, promote their welfare and forward their

interest, as well as extend their sphere of usefulness, we do therefore form ourselves into an

association, under the name and for the objects hereinafter set forth and do hereby adopt the

following Constitution and By-Laws for its rules and guidance.

**ARTICLE I**

**Title**

This association, known as the "8TH & I REUNION ASSOCIATION", is an

organization having one body. Each and every member of the Association is subject to its

control and regulation.

**Logo**

The official logo for the 8th & I Reunion Association is Red round and Gold lettering. The logo is circular. The inscription “8th & I, Marine Barracks” is printed in a downward curve on the top and centered is the authorized USMC emblem from Marine Barracks 8th & I. The number “18” is to the left of the emblem and the number “01” is to the right of the emblem. Below the emblem is the inscription “Washington, D.C., Oldest Post in the Corps” printed in an upward curve. Curved to fit across the top and outside of the emblem are the words “REUNION ASSOCIATION.” Below the emblem will be curved accoutrements with the names of the units that are, and have been, part of the Marine Barracks 8th & I organization. The Official Logo is in development.

**ARTICLE II**

**Object**

This association is formed to preserve the memory and standards of those who served

at Marine Barracks 8th & I, Washington D.C., and to promote goodwill and

brotherhood between its members. "SEMPER FIDELIS"

**ARTICLE III**

**Powers**

This association shall have the power:

A. To enact all by-laws and adopt rules and regulations not inconsistent herewith:

B. To enact and adopt any and all such rules and regulations as may be required and

deemed necessary for the best interest and welfare of the association and its

individual members:

C. To approve, modify or reject any association by-laws or amendments thereto

which shall be submitted to this association for approval prior to adoption, which

approved shall be and is a condition to the amendment of any such by-laws:

D. To require and collect from the members, payment of such monies necessary for

the best interest for expenses of this association:

E. To take such action as may be deemed necessary consistent with and under these

by-laws.

**ARTICLE IV**

**Membership**

A. Any Marine who served at 8th & I, Washington, D.C. to include Camp David.

B. This association may expel any individual member of the association for a

violation of its rules, regulations or by-laws, hereof, and there upon said

member, ceases to be a member of the association.

C. Only individual members in good standing who are present shall be permitted to

vote for committee members.

D. An up to date roster of this association’s membership shall be made

available to its members upon request for association business only.

E. A membership roster will be provided to the members by the email coordinator on a periodic basis.

**Associate Membership**

A. Any family member of a Marine or deceased Marine who served at 8th & I, Washington

D.C.

B. Friends of members who wish to be associated with our Association, and are in

good standing.

**ARTICLE V**

**Committee Members**

**Section 1**

A. The governing and legislative powers and control of this association are vested in

the committee members, consisting of members of the association:

B. The committee members shall be elected at each reunion and shall serve for the

duration between reunions:

C. All committee members of the association individually and collectively shall

endeavor at all times to promote its welfare and extend its sphere of usefulness

during their term in this association.

D. Officers of the Association shall be limited to two (2) terms in office.

**Section 2**

A. The following is a list of officers and committee members and their duties in the

association:

B. The last page of this document lists current committee members.

**1. President**

A. To preside over the committee, and to set the agenda.

B. Enforce the strict observance of the constitution and by-laws of this

association;

C. Countersign all checks on the treasury for monies to be paid by this

association;

D. Call special meetings when, in his judgment they shall be necessary for

the best interest of this association:

E. Shall be able to facilitate contact with Marine Barracks command structure and coordination of reunion activities.

F. Appoints all committees.

G. Shall the President be prevented by illness or otherwise, from performing

his duties, the Vice President shall fulfill those duties, except for the signing of checks

and orders on the treasury.

H. Past association presidents shall sit as advisors on the board and retain the title Emeritus.

**2. Vice President**

A. Shall be an assistant to the President, conferring with the President and keeping informed on Association business.

B. Act as President in the absence of the President.

**3. Treasurer**

A. The Treasurer shall receive all money due this association from whatever

source available.

B. He shall be chief disbursing officer of all association funds.

C. He shall not pay or disburse any money without the appropriate

committee member signatures.

D. He shall keep all monies of the association in an authorized bank approved

by the finance committee and President.

E. He must keep and be able to provide and submit, in duplicate, such records

at all committee meetings or special meetings.

F. He shall be prepared to act as President in the event the President and Vice

President are unable to attend any meeting, regular or special.

**4. Recording Secretary**

A. Shall keep and have full charge of the minute books and general rule book.

B. Must keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the meeting.

C. Shall read or review the proceedings of the previous meeting:

D. Shall keep the committee informed of all other communications received

in the interest of the Association.

E. He shall be prepared to act as President in the event the President, Vice

President, and the Treasurer are unable to attend any meeting, regular

or special.

**5. Sergeant-at-Arms**

A. Shall enforce order at all meetings, particularly as to those attending and

their right to attend:

B. He shall not permit any person to enter without being properly vouched

for and identified:

C. He shall require all committee members, or any member, to sign the

official record book prior to entering the meeting.

**6. Membership Secretary**

A. Shall be responsible for maintaining the name, address and phone list for

the Association.

B. Will be responsible for creating and keeping a mailing list. These

lists are for use in mailing out the Newsletter, or other mailing requirements.

C. Will keep an up to date list on both a computer disk and an appropriate backup, and a

printout list. This list will be forwarded to the president, vice president,

treasurer, and secretary at the end of each calendar year, if requested.

D. Will provide a member with a computer disk, or file, upon request. For non

computer members a hard copy may be provided. The fee for this list

will be set by the board.

E. Will keep receipts for necessary merchandise purchased to perform secretarial duties, and forward them to the treasurer for reimbursement.

**(4). Equipment**

A. 1 - USA flag with flag pole and 7” gold eagle emblem.

B. 1 - Association flag with flag pole and spear emblem.

C. 2 - rifles (on loan from Steve Holton)

D. 2 - white leather rifle slings.

E. 2 - chrome bayonets, with 2 white scabbards, and 2 white frogs.

F. 2 - white leather flag carrying harnesses.

G. 4 - white web belts with 4 gold USMC belt buckles.

H. 4 - pair of white gloves.

I. 16 - Association streamers: Color Guard, Drill Team, Body

Bearers,1st,2nd,3rd,4th Plts.,Barracks Detachment, Guard Section, H&S

Co., MCI Co., A Co., B Co., D&B, Deceased members, HDQTS. Co. J. 3 - Company Guideon’s with flag poles and spear heads.

K. 1 - Presidential Honor Guard Guideon.

L. 6 - flag pole holders.

M. 1 - Officer’s sword with scabbard and black rope.

**ARTICLE VI**

**Standing Committees**

A. Constitution and By-Laws, Consisting of at least three (3) members:

1. To review and introduce any revisions, changes and amendments to the

Constitution and By-Laws.

B. Financial, Consisting of at least five (5) members:

1. To oversee all monies and expenditures of this Association:

C. Fund Raising, Consisting of at least five (5) members:

1. To generate funds for the strict use of this Association:

D. Reunion, Consisting of at least five (5) members:

1. To conduct and oversee all business related to our Reunion.

E. Membership, Consisting of at least three (3) members

1. To locate and recruit members.

F. Historical, Consisting of at least three (3) members:

1. To collect and preserve all artifacts of the 8th & I Marine.

**ARTICLE VII**

**Meetings**

A. All meetings of the association shall be attended by the duly elected committee

members either physically or via electronic media.

B. It shall be the duty of the president of the Association to notify the committee

members of the time and place of each such meeting.

C. All meetings held by the Association shall be conducted in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

**ARTICLE VIII**

**Reunions**

Association reunions shall be held every three (3) years, at a time and place within the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area as selected by the committee.

**ARTICLE IX**

**Disorderly Persons** SECTION 1

Any delegate present at any meeting of this association who becomes obnoxious,

abusive or disorderly in his language or conduct may be ejected from any such meeting by

order of the President.

SECTION 2

Charges of improper conduct may be preferred against any member so offending.

**ARTICLE X**

**Voting Regulations**

A. Each committee member shall have one vote for the purpose of voting at

regular and/or special meetings:

B. A committee member must be present, as outlined above in this document, at regular and or special meetings to be eligible to cast their one vote.

**ARTICLE XI**

OBLIGATION OF THE PRESIDENT

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear before my fellow man that I

will honestly and fairly decide all questions which may arise in the association, so help me

God, and may he make me steadfast.

OBLIGATION OF THE OFFICERS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear before my fellow man that I

will not reveal to anyone who is not an active member of this association, any of the business

transacted by the same; and I do further swear, before my fellowman, that I will abide by the

By-Laws and Constitution of this association and all orders issued by the committee. I will

always vote and work for the best interests of the members of this association without regard

to politics, creed or nationality; and I pledge further that I shall, to the best of my ability,

carry out all of the duties of my office, prescribed in the By-Laws, or assigned by the

association, so help me God.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

(1) Roll call of Officers.

(2) Roll call of Delegates & Committee Members

(3) Reading of minutes of previous meeting.

(4) Communications and bills.

(5) Payment of bills.

(6) Report of Officers.

(7) Report of Committees.

(8) Unfinished business.

(9) New business.

(10) Good & Welfare.

(11) Adjournment.

**ASSOCIATION OFFICERS:**

President/Treasurer …………… Juan Escobar

Vice President ………………… James Sottile

Recording Secretary …………… Albert Myer-Pflug

Sergeant-at-Arms ……………… Brad Van Hazel

Membership Chairman ………… Kent Snyder

Membership Secretary …………. Kent Snyder

Color Sergeant ………………….. Vacant

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

Chairman………………………..Kent Snyder

Secretary…………….….………. Kent Snyder

Web-Master………………….….Corrina Wolf

E-Mail Coordinator………….….Albert Myer-Pflug

Historical Committee…………... Vacant