### BY LAWS STATE OF NEW YORK PROPOSALS BY STATE BYLAWS COMMITTEE AS DIRECTED BY COMMANDER PENNELLE & SR. VICE KELL

<u>WHEREAS</u> THE COUNTY COUNCILS were removed by Article XIII of the State of New York Bylaws (All councils were disbanded effective December 31, 2022.

WHEREAS THE DEPARTMENT HAS NO COUNTY COUNCILS

<u>THEREFORE, LET IT BE IT RESOLVED</u>, by the Department of New York, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States all references to County Councils in the Department of New York Bylaws be removed

Article VI SEC.1

<u>WHEREAS THE COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION IS OUT OF DATE</u> DUE TO New York having a Commander in Chief elected.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT ANY SEATED OR THE IMMEDIATED PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF BE CHIEF from the Department of New York be added to the Department of New York Council of Administration.

Article VII Sec 2

WHEREAS Districts have the right to bid on conventions.

WHEREAS Districts have the right to make money on the conventions

<u>THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED</u> that if a District would like to bid on a convention, they will receive the registration fee for delegates.

Article VII Sec 3

WHEREAS the cost of meals is getting very expensive.

WHEREAS the Department funds are being exhausted

<u>THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED</u> that the Department will commit to providing dinner tickets for the Commander and Auxiliary President and the elected and appointed officers up to a maximum of twenty-six (26) dais persons.

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Article VII Sec 4

**WHEREAS** the incoming Department Commander has many expenses.

<u>THERE FORE LET IT BE RESOLVED</u> The Department of New York shall not expend more than fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) for the Incoming Department Commander's reception.

Article VIII Sec 4

<u>WHEREAS</u> Article IX Section 1 of these Bylaws allows to follow Article V, Sec 521 of the Nationals Bylaws.

<u>THERE FORE LET IT BE RESOLVED</u> elimination of Article VIII Sec 4 is not required as this section of the National Bylaws allows for a roll call vote.

Article X Sec 2

WHEREAS the minimum of Post and member required to establish a District

<u>WHEREAS</u> the Department of New York has had experience with using the number of Posts and membership to form a District.

<u>THERE FORE LET IT BE RESOLVED</u> that 10 Posts and 300 members are required to form a new District

Article XI Sec 1

**WHEREAS** the dissolution of County Councils resulted in two new Districts

THERE FORE LET IT BE RESOLVED District 10 consist of Nassau

THERE FORE LET IT BE RESOLVED District 11 consist of Suffolk

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#### Article XIX Department Vehicles

WHEREAS this section of the by Laws requires rewriting

THERE FORE LET IT BE RESOLVED this Bylaw will address Department Vehicles

Sec 1 The purchase or lease of all Department Vehicles will be reviewed with the State Quartermaster and Council of Administration Members to determine if adequate funds exist to either purchase or lease replacement Vehicle(s).

#### All Department Vehicles shall be:

- A. Department vehicles will be 4wheel or all-wheel drive
- B. Department vehicles will be American Manufactured
- C. Department vehicles will seat a minimum of six adults
- D. A policy will be written covering the use of all Department vehicles