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Founder Region

Proposed Bylaws Amendments

Founder Region Proposed Bylaws Amendment 2023-2024

**ARTICLE I, Name and Territorial Limits
Section 1.2**

| CURRENT LANGUAGE | PROPOSED LANGUAGE |
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| <p>Section 1.2 The territorial limits of this Region are established by Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc. (SIA), a Federation designated by Soroptimist International (SI), and currently consists of these counties in California: Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, Solano, and Sonoma; the state of Hawaii and the United States Territories of Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Republic of Palau.</p> | <p>Section 1.2 The territorial limits of this Region are established by Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc. (SIA), a Federation designated by Soroptimist International (SI), and currently consists of these counties in California: Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, Solano, and Sonoma; the state of Hawaii; the United States Territory of Guam, the United States Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Republic of Palau.</p> |

Proposed by: The Founder Region Board of Directors.

Advantages: Corrects the name of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Disadvantages: None

Financial Impact: None

Rationale: To correct the language for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

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Article VIII, Committees

c. Program Committee

| CURRENT LANGUAGE | PROPOSED LANGUAGE |
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| <p>Section 8.1 Standing Committees. c. Program Committee. A committee of at least one (1) member from each district shall be appointed by the Region Governor to promote and administer Soroptimist programs in concert with the Region and Federation.</p> | <p>Section 8.1 Standing Committees. c. Program Committee i. The Region Governor-elect shall serve as the chair of the overall Program Committee and the chair of the Violet Richardson Committee. ii. Committees of at least one (1) member from each District, including a chair, shall be appointed by the Region Governor to promote and administer Soroptimist programs in concert with the Region and Federation. The Program Committee shall incorporate Live Your Dream, Dream It, Be It – Career Support for Girls, Violet Richardson, Soroptimist Celebrating Success and “S” Club.</p> |

Proposed by: The Founder Region Board of Directors

Advantages: Clarifies that the Region Governor-elect is the Program Chair, the chair of the Violet Richardson Committee and oversees the administration of the Live Your Dream, Soroptimist Celebrating Success Awards and the “S” Club Committees.

Disadvantages: None

Financial Impact: None

Rationale: Clarifies that the Region Governor-elect is the Program Chair.