

International Association Legions of Honor Wayne Steele 2nd Lt. Commander Bylaw Committee Chair



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From: Wayne Steele, 2nd Lt. Commander, Bylaw Committee Chair

Subject: Proposed Bylaw Change

To: Russell Gray, Commander, International Association Legions of Honor David L. Smith, Adjutant, International Association Legions of Honor Tracy Coughlin, Judge Advocate, International Association Legions of Honor

**Purpose:** The purpose of this bylaw change is to rewrite Article V Section 4, Para 3, deleting paragraph 4 and moving the requirement for International Officers to join another Unit to Article II and adding a new section – International Officers.

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Bylaw Change Currently Reads:

## ARTICLE V

Section 4, Para: 3 In the event that an existing Unit of this Association be disbanded, or for any reason lose or surrender their Unit Charter, all members of such Unit who at that time hold Emeritus will have to join another credited unit to retain his Emeritus Status and voting rights in the International Association Legions of Honor. Any Elected International Officer who is a member of a Unit that may fall into the above category will be permitted to retain his office until such time as he becomes a dues paying Member or Associate Member of another Temple and a member of that Temple's Legion of Honor.

Section 4, Para 4 Such Elected Officers will have ninety (90) days to complete these requirements. A Past International Commander will automatically retain all rights and benefits as a Past International Commander and Emeritus Member regardless of the status of the Legion of Honor of which he is a member.

Change to Read:

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Section 4, Para: 3 In the event that an existing Unit of this Association be disbanded, or for any reason lose or surrender their Unit Charter, all members of such Unit who at that time hold Emeritus status will have to become a dues paying Member or Associate Member of another Temple and a member of that Temple's Legion of Honor Unit to retain his Emeritus Status and voting rights in the International Association Legions of Honor.

## **ARTICLE II**

Add **New Section: International Officer:** Any International Officer who is a member of a Unit that may be disbanded or lose their Charter will retain his office until such time as he becomes a dues paying Member or Associate Member of another Temple and a member of that Temple's Legion of Honor Unit. International Officers will have ninety (90) days to complete this requirement.