

## Resolution #4

### RESOLUTION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE February 26, 2022

**WHEREAS**, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary Bylaws state:

ARTICLE VIII – OFFICERS Section 813 states:

- Upon approval by the National President, the Auxiliary President may appoint an acting Treasurer when the Treasurer is unable to function for a period of time due to illness, death, resignation or extended vacations.
  - The request must be in writing to National President.

Section 813C states: The Department Treasurer shall:

- Receive and properly account for all money due and payable to the Department and National Headquarters, as the laws provide...
- Be the official accountable Officer of the Department
- In their care be placed securities, funds and the accountable property of the Department

**WHEREAS**, There is currently no specific bylaw which indicates that a Department can/should have a second person as a signatory on the Department Bank Account(s); and

**WHEREAS**, In the case of a Department Treasurer's inability to function for a period of time due to accident, illness, death, resignation or extended vacations; and

**WHEREAS**, If such an illness, death or other circumstance occurs and there is no second person on the Department Bank account(s), there can be the problem of not being able to access the Department Bank account(s) at all; and

**WHEREAS**, Every bank has different requirements and procedures in order to access the bank account(s) if the Treasurer is incapacitated due to accident, illness or death or extended vacations if there is no second signatory on the bank account(s).

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that Article VIII Section 813C is amended add the following language:

It is highly recommended that each Department add a second signatory to its Department bank account(s) for the sole purpose of being able to always access the Department account(s) should the Department Treasurer become incapacitated and unable to perform

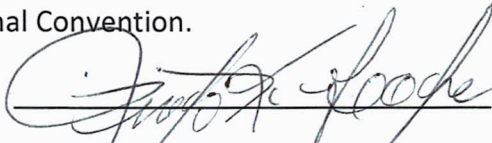
the required duties. This person can be the Current Department President, a Past Department Treasurer, Past Department President or whomever the Department deems to be the best person to have access to the Department Bank account(s) should the need arise.

This second person may NOT:

- Write any checks
- Perform the duties of the Treasurer in any way

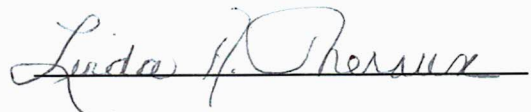
This second person is strictly a signatory to the Department Bank Account(s) in order for the funds to be accessed if needed and the elected Department Treasurer be unable to do so. Once the appointed and approved Acting Department Treasurer, as requested by the Department President and approved by the National President, is able, the Acting Department Treasurer will be added to the Department Bank Account(s) and then be able to write and sign checks and perform the duties as the Acting Department Treasurer until such time as a Department Treasurer is able to resume her/his duties or, if unable to resume duties, until a new Department Treasurer can be properly elected.

Submitted by the Department of New Hampshire Bylaws Committee members at the 2022 National Convention.



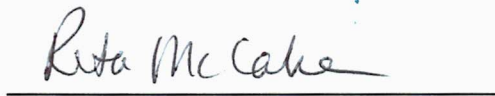
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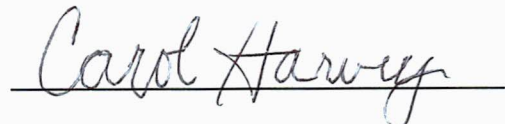
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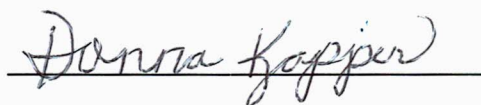
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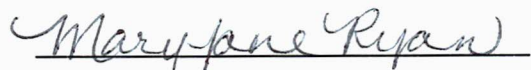
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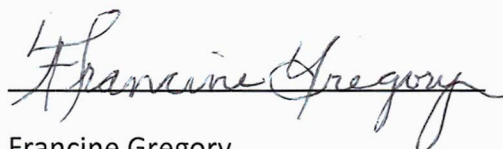
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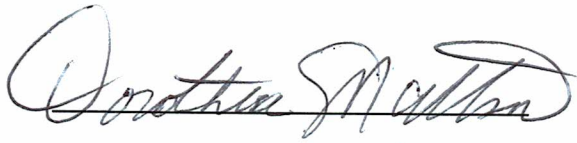
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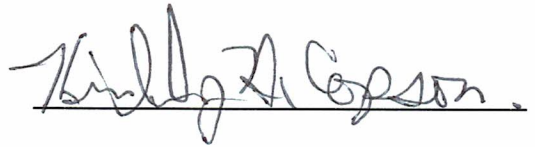


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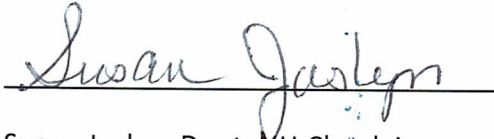
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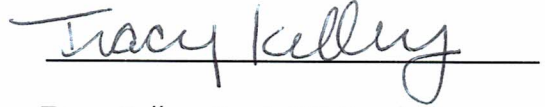
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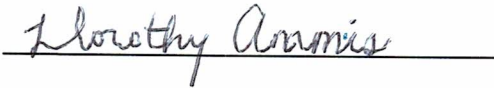
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