

PERLEMBAGAAN BAGI

PERTUBUHAN INDUK

PERSATUAN DOKTOR VETERINAR HAIWAN KESAYANGAN MALAYSIA (MALAYSIAN SMALL ANIMAL VETERINARY ASSOCIATION)

ARTICLE 1 NAME

The name of the association shall be Persatuan Doktor Veterinar Haiwan Kesayangan Malaysia (Malaysian Small Animal Veterinary Association) abbreviated as MSAVA and herinafter referred to as the "Association".

ARTICLE 2 EMBLEM

The emblem of the Association shall be a serpent twinning the conventional staff of Aesculapius with the letter "V" superimposed against turquoise blue background and encircled by "Persatuan Doktor Veterinar Haiwan Kesayangan Malaysia" and "Malaysian Small Animal Veterinary Association". The emblem shall not be used by members or any person without the prior approval of the Council. The emblem must appear in the original colour and form that has been approved.

ARTICLE 3 PATRON

Any distinguished person may be invited to become patron of the Association upon recommendation of the Council and approval at the Annual General Meeting.

ARTICLE 4 PLACE OF BUSINESS

The registered place of business and postal address of the Association shall be at No: 113-B Jalan Aminuddin Baki, Taman Tun Dr Ismail, 6000 Kuala Lumpur or at such other place or places as may from time to time be decided on by the Council and its place of business shall not be changed without the prior approval of Registrar of Societies.

ARTICLE 5 INTERPRETATION

In this Constitution unless the context otherwise states:-

"Association" means Persatuan Doktor Veterinar Haiwan Kesayangan Malaysia (Malaysian Small Animal Veterinary Association).

"Council" means the Executive Council.

"Members" means all the Ordinary, Life, Associate, Corporate, Honorary, Fellow,

Student members and Veterinary Para-Professional members.

"Private Small Animal Clinic" means a clinic that provides a minimum of 40 hours of service per week and is manned by at 1 Private Small Animal Practitioner and 1 Clinic Assistant and is accredited by the Association.

"Private Small Animal Practitioner" means a person who possesses a valid Annual Practicing Certificate and practices fulltime in a Private Small Animal Clinic.

"Small Animal Practitioner" means a person who possesses a current and valid Annual Practicing Certificate and practices Small Animal Medicines and Surgery.

"Annual Practicing Certificate" means the certificate issued by the Registrar of Veterinary Surgeons pursuant to Section 17 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1974 authorizing the holder to practice veterinary medicine at such premises during the year for which the certificate is issued.

ARTICLE 6 **OBJECTIVES**

The objects of the Association shall be:

(a) To honour, promote and foster the interest and advancement of all those who are concerned with the practice of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery.

(b) To inculcate a stronger, meaningful and more active fellowship amongst the members.

(c) To uphold the dignity and ethics in the practice of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery and maintain high standards of professional conduct.

(d) To inform, liaise and educate the public with regards to matters pertaining to the welfare and well being of companion animal with special reference to preventive medicine and zoonotic disease control.

(e) To inform, educate and assist the Government, Local Councils and relevant authorities with matters pertaining to the practice of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery and disease control.

(f) To promote and foster Animal Health and Animal Welfare to work closely with all agencies and authorities committed to the care and welfare of animals.

(g) To carry out such consultative and investment activities as are necessary for generating sufficient income for the running of the Association.

(h) To protect, support, assist and represent the members of the Association while furthering the interest of the profession.

ARTICLE 7 **MEMBERSHIP**

The membership of the Association shall consist of Ordinary Members, Life Members, Associate Members, Corporate Members, Honorary Members, Fellow Members, Affiliate Members, Student Members and Veterinary para-professional Members.

- (a) Ordinary Membership shall be open to any Malaysian who is a Private Small Animal Practitioner.
- (b) Life Membership shall be open to active Ordinary Members who pay a lump sum of RM2,000.00 and who have been with the Association as Ordinary Member for 5 continuous years. The approval of Life Membership is at the discretion of the Council.
- (c) Associate Membership shall be open to Veterinarians who are interested in the Science of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery.
- (d) Corporate Membership shall be open to any locally incorporated organization recommended by the council involved in the development of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery and expresses interest in the objectives of the Association. Corporate members are entitled to nominate two representatives to the AGM without voting right.
- (e) Honorary Members shall be conferred to those persons who hold high positions in the Veterinary profession or related professions and have done an exemplary work by contributing to animal welfare and related science and shall be invited by the Council to be Honorary Members.
- (f) Fellow Members shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting on the recommendation of the Council for outstanding, distinguished and/or meritorious contribution of scientific knowledge to the field of Small Animal Veterinary profession and the Association. Fellows of the Association shall be entitled to use the abbreviation Fellows of (name of the association) after their names.
- (g) Affiliate Membership shall be open to any group of persons involved in the study and development of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery and expresses interest in the objectives of the Association. An Affiliate Member is entitled to nominate one representative to the AGM without voting right.
- (h) Student Membership shall be open to any Malaysian who, at the time of application, is a registered student pursuing a basic veterinary degree. He shall cease to become a student member upon graduation/termination of his studies.
- (i) Veterinary para-professional members shall be open to any individual who works as Veterinary Nurses or Veterinary Assistant/technician or even veterinary manager in MSAVA recognized Private Small Animal Practice/Hospital and have

the nursing or veterinary technician or veterinary assistant qualification from AIRC, Tafe College, Veterinary Institute of Kluang or any other institute that is recognized by the Malaysian Veterinary Council.

(j) The members who are accepted as Ordinary or Life members before the amendment, shall be allowed to maintain their membership status.

ARTICLE 8 APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

(1) Application for membership shall be made in writing, letter or electronic mail, to the Honorary Secretary in the prescribed form. The application shall be subject to the approval and acceptance of the Council. The Council reserves the right to reject an application without assigning any reason therefor.

(2) Upon acceptance of the application, the member concerned shall be informed of his election in writing, letter or electronic mail, and he shall pay the entrance fee and the annual subscription within four (4) weeks of the date of the notice of election to membership. In default of payment of the entrance fee and the annual subscription, the election shall lapse and a fresh application for membership shall be submitted.

ARTICLE 9 MEMBERSHIP FEE

(1) The membership fees shall be as follows:

(a) Ordinary and Associate Members shall pay a one-time entrance fee of RM50.00

(b) Ordinary Members shall pay an annual subscription of RM200.00.

(c) Life Members shall pay a one-time lump sum subscription of RM2,000.00.

(d) Associate Members shall pay an annual subscription of RM200.00.

(e) Student Members shall pay an annual subscription of RM50.00.

(f) Para-professional Members shall pay an annual subscription of RM50.00.

(g) Affiliate members shall pay an annual subscription of an amount equivalent to RM2.00 per member of such group.

(h) Corporate Members shall pay an annual subscription of RM5,000.00.

(2) Honorary and Fellow Members are exempted from paying any entrance fee or subscription. An Ordinary Member or Associate Member who leaves the country for

a period of more than twelve (12) months shall be exempted from payment of subscription if the Council is so notified in advance, in writing, letter or electronic mail.

(3) All subscriptions shall become due on the 1st day of July of each year and shall be payable to the Honorary Treasurer by the 30th day of September of that year. Any member who is two (2) years in arrears of his subscription shall be notified in writing through a registered letter by the Honorary Treasurer and should his subscription remain unpaid by the end of the second financial year, he shall be suspended and shall not enjoy the privileges of membership until all arrears are paid in full. Any member who does not rectify his suspension shall be deemed to have terminated his membership.

(4) Special subscriptions or levies for particular purposes may be raised from Members by resolution at the Council meeting subject to such decision being approved by members at a general meeting of the Association. If any Member fails to pay such subscriptions within such period as may be resolved, the amount due shall be treated in the same way as arrears of subscription.

(5) The Council shall be at liberty to regulate and to vary from time to time subscriptions payable by the members as the council may think fair and reasonable subject to such decision being approved by the members at a general meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE 10 PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERSHIP

(1) All Ordinary Members who are not in arrears with their subscription and all Life Members shall be entitled to attend and vote at any general meeting, hold office if qualified, and enjoy all the benefits and privileges accorded by the Association.

(2) Associate, Corporate, Honorary, Fellow, Student and Affiliate Members shall be entitled to all the benefits and privileges of Ordinary Members except that they shall not be eligible to vote or hold office. They cannot propose or second, but can speak at any general meeting.

ARTICLE 11 TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP

A Membership shall be terminated or suspended in the following circumstances:

- (a) if he gives his resignation in writing to that effect;
- (b) if he does not pay his subscription when it is due;
- (c) if he convicted of a serious crime, criminal breach of trust or an offence

which in the opinion of the Council renders him unfit to associate with members of the Association;

(d) on his death or being of unsound mind;

(e) if he has been declared a bankrupt; or

(f) if his membership is terminated as a result of disciplinary action

(g) if he cease to hold a valid Annual Practicing Certificate.

(h) Provided that the Council shall restore him to membership if his bankruptcy is annulled or his conviction is set aside, as the case may be. The Council shall use their discretion when warranted in certain circumstances to avoid termination or suspension of membership.

ARTICLE 12 **DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS**

(1) Any member who fails to comply with the Constitution or acts in a manner so as to bring disrepute upon the Association may on the decision of the Disciplinary Committee, be reprimanded, fined, expelled or suspended for a period of time as the Committee deems fit.

(2) The conduct of a Member complained of shall be investigated and inquired into by the Disciplinary Committee and the member shall be given full opportunity to defend himself at the inquiry.

(3) Any member expelled or suspended pursuant to Article 12(1) may, within fourteen

(14) days of the decision being communicated to him in writing, appeal in writing to the Council against the said decision.

(4) The Council shall consider the appeal and decide either to confirm the decision of the Disciplinary Committee or to make such other decision as it deems fit.

(5) Any member whose expulsion is not rescinded by the Council may with the support

of at least 50 Ordinary Members in writing, have the right to require the Council to convene an extraordinary general meeting and the Council shall within fourteen (14) days of receipt of such requisition convene such meeting. The convened

meeting shall be called to order only if 50% of the persons who requisitioned the meeting are present at the meeting.

(6) If the majority of the Members at the meeting disapprove the expulsion, it shall be rescinded but the majority of the Members at the meeting may substitute the expulsion with a period of suspension.

ARTICLE 13 **RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP**

(1) Any Member whose membership has been terminated on the grounds of non-payment of subscription shall be readmitted to membership only after he has settled all outstanding dues prior to his termination.

(2) Those whose membership have been terminated under Article 11 (c), (e) and (f) can reapply to the Council for membership by new application only after a period of five (5) years.

ARTICLE 14 **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP OR SIG**

(1) Groups of members of the Association or Special Interest Group is group of members with distinct professional, social or common interest that provides a focus point for members of like interest to meet up, network, share knowledge and provide mutual support.

(2) SIG is empowered to be formed and to be dissolved by General Meeting. The Council of the Association also empowered to form special groups within the Association for members with special interest in a particular discipline of veterinary medicine to pursue their interest and research.

(3) The formed SIG is under the supervision of Council and shall confirm to the Terms of References as set out in the By Law by the Council and comply with the Constitution of the Association.

ARTICLE 15 **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

(1) The Annual General Meeting shall be held after the end of the financial year but not later than 30th September of each year. When it is not possible to hold the Annual General Meeting before prescribed date, then an Extraordinary General Meeting shall be held and such meeting shall have all the powers of the Annual General Meeting.

(2) At least four (4) weeks before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting, the Honorary Secretary shall inform all members in writing only of the date, time and place for the meeting.

(3) The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be to:

(a) confirm and discuss matters arising from minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and Extraordinary General Meetings held the previous year and receive the report of the Council and review its works;

- (b) receive and pass and the accounts of the preceding financial year;
- (c) elect the Council biennially for a term of two (2) years and to appoint an approved auditor for the ensuing year;
- (d) decide on the organizing Chairman, venue and date for the next Annual General Meeting or authorize the Council to decide on the before-mentioned matters.
- (e) elect state representative or authorize the Council to appoint state representative.
- (f) receive the reports from state representatives, the Malaysian Veterinary Council representative, all MSAVA representatives in committees and other bodies, and all sub-committees;
- (g) consider any other business on the agenda.

(4) A member wishing to submit items to be included on the agenda of the Annual General Meeting may do so provided he gives notice to the Honorary Secretary at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting. The agenda, copies of minutes and annual reports as well as the audited accounts of the Association for the previous year shall be sent to all members at least seven (7) days before the date of the meeting

ARTICLE 16 EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

(1) An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be convened by the Council at any time or for special reasons within thirty (30) days of receiving a written request from a third of the total number of members, or four members of the Council.

(2) If within thirty (30) days of receipt of such requisition the Council does not proceed to cause a meeting to be held, the requisitionists or any member of the Association may themselves convene the meeting.

(3) Notice summoning an Extraordinary General Meeting shall be sent to all members at least fourteen (14) days before the date fixed for such a meeting and shall state the business of the meeting.

(4) An Extraordinary General Meeting shall not deal in business other than for which it was specifically convened.

(5) Minutes of all Extraordinary General Meeting shall be circulated by post to all members within three (3) months and shall be taken as adopted if there are no objections from Members who attended the Extraordinary General Meetings within two (2) weeks of the date of the circular. Any amendments to the

minutes shall be circulated and considered at the next Annual General Meeting.

ARTICLE 17 **PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS.**

(1) No general meeting shall proceed with the business of the Association unless a quorum is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business. The quorum necessary for the transaction of business at a general meeting shall be at least one-half of the total voting membership of the Association or shall not be lesser than twice the total membership of the Council, whichever is the lesser.

(2) If within half-an-hour from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened by the requisition of Members, shall be dissolved and no extraordinary general meeting shall be convened for the same purpose for a period of six (6) months and the Members who requisitioned the convening of such extraordinary general meeting shall within thirty (30) days on demand reimburse the Association, in equal proportion, the costs of and expenses incurred in convening such extraordinary general meeting; in any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day for half-an-hour at the same place and if the quorum is not met again, the members present, provided that the number shall not fall below seven (7), shall constitute a quorum. Those present shall have the power to proceed with the business of the day, but they shall not have power to amend the existing Constitution or to make decisions affecting the whole membership.

(3) Every general meeting shall be presided over by the President, or in his absence, the Vice President or the Honorary Secretary. In the event that all three (3) persons mentioned above are not present within fifteen (15) minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting or are unwilling to act, the members present shall elect one (1) of their number present to act as Chairman of the meeting.

(4) All motions excluding that pertaining to the election or re-election of a Council Member shall be decided in the first instance by way of voting on a show of hands where each member shall be entitled to one (1) vote. The election of Council Members shall always be by secret ballot.

(5) Subject to a quorum being present at any meeting every motion shall be decided by the majority of Members present with the exception of the following motions which shall be decided by at least two-thirds of the Members present:

(a) Amendment of the constitution;

(b) Acquisition or disposal of immovable properties or

(c) Borrowing in excess of the total subscriptions received by the association as stated in the last audited financial statement;

(6) In the case of equality of votes, the chairman shall have a second and casting vote.

(7) No motion or resolution shall be brought up at any general meeting unless written notification of its terms has been given to the Honorary Secretary not less than fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting.

ARTICLE 18 COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL

(1) The Association shall be managed by an Executive Council of nine (9) members consisting of President, the Vice-President, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, four (4) Ordinary Council Members and the Immediate Past President, all of whom shall be Ordinary or Life Members and Malaysian citizens.

(2) Members of the Council, except for the Immediate Past President, shall be elected biennially at the Annual General Meeting. All elections shall be by a simple majority vote of the members by secret balloting.

(3) All officers shall be eligible for immediate re-election except for Honorary Treasurer and the President shall be limited to two (2) successive terms only.

(4) The term of office of the Members of the Council shall be for a tenure of two (2) years.

ARTICLE 19 POWERS OF THE COUNCIL

(1) The Council shall exercise all such powers and do all such things as may be exercised or done by the Association save such as are by the Constitution required to be exercised or done by the Association in general meeting.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the powers herein before conferred the Council may:

(a) appoint from time to time bankers or legal advisers or professional advisers of the Association;

(b) institute, conduct, defend, compound or abandon any legal proceedings by and against the Association or its officers or otherwise concerning the affairs of the Association and compound and allow time for payment or satisfaction of any debts due or of any claims, or demands by or against the Association.

(c) in its absolute discretion delegate any of its functions to a committee to carry out any or specified duties;

(d) form sub-committee;

(e) make sue bye-laws as it may think fit to prescribe the procedure of the Council or of any sub-committee or for the election of candidates to the Council.

(3) The Council shall have the power to interpret the Constitution and, when necessary, determine any point on which the Constitution is silent.

(4) No resolution of any committee or sub-committee shall bind the Council until adopted by the Council and unless at the time of its appointment power to do so was expressly given to such committee or sub-committee.

(5) The Council may appoint a person it think fit to hold any office, which the Council considers necessary for the management of the Association's place of business, and shall fix his remuneration and specify his duties and powers.

(6) The Council shall appoint one or more individuals, member or non-member, or a group of members who in the opinion of the Council will be able contribute as adviser to the Council to offer their opinion on matters important to the Association and public importance.

(7) The Council shall have the discretion to co-opt two (2) members of the Association as Ordinary Council Members.

(8) The Council shall nominate to the relevant authority or Association the Immediate Past President to be appointed as a member of Malaysian Veterinary Council for the current or immediate term.

(9) To accept from the Government or anybody, purchase, take on lease or on exchange, hire or otherwise occupy or acquire any real or personal property and any right or privileges which the Association may think necessary or convenient for the promotion of its object, and to construct, equip, maintain and alter any buildings or erections necessary or convenient for the work of the Association and to sell, let, mortgage, dispose of all or any of the property or assets of the Association as may be thought expedient.

(10) To borrow and raise money as the Association may think fit.

(11) To invest the funds of the Association not immediately required in such manner as from time to time may be determined.

(12) To hire and employ secretaries, clerks and other staff and to pay them in return for services rendered to the Association as salaries and gratuities

(13) Generally to do all such acts and things as may appear incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them and as permitted under the law of Malaysia.

ARTICLE 20 **DUTIES OF OFFICE BEARERS**

(1) The duties of the Office Bearers are as follows:

(a) The President shall:

(i) preside at all Annual General Meetings, Extraordinary Meetings and Council Meetings of the Association;

(ii) have a casting vote in addition to his own vote as a Member;

(iii) sign the minutes of each meeting at the time they are approved.

(b) The Vice-President shall take over all the duties of the President in his absence.

(c) The Immediate Past President shall:

(i) assist the new Council to ensure continuity of the previous Council;

(ii) assist the new Council in all its functions and activities.

(d) The Honorary Secretary shall:

(i) keep all except financial records of the Association and be responsible for their correctness.

(ii) record all minutes of all general and council meetings;

(iii) attend to all correspondence relating to the Association;

(iv) issue notice of meetings;

(v) prepare an Annual Report of the Association's activities for presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

(vi) maintain a proper membership register of the members consisting of details such as name, identity card number, date/place of birth, occupation, name/address of employer and residential address;

(vii) notify the Members of any resignation or change in the Council.

(e) The Honorary Treasurer shall be responsible for the finance of the Association and shall:

(i) keep and account of all monetary transactions and be responsible for their correctness;

(ii) operate a petty cash account of not exceeding Ringgit Malaysia Two Thousand (RM2,000.00);

(iii) table a statement of accounts at Council meeting and prepare all annual balance sheet and statement of accounts at the end of the financial year for presentation at the succeeding Annual General Meeting.

(f) The Ordinary Council members shall assist to other executive members to ensure a smooth functioning of Association and may be assigned specific duties by the Council

ARTICLE 21 MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

(1) The Council shall meet at least once every two (2) months and a copy of the agenda of the next meeting and minutes of the last Council meeting shall be sent to every member of the Council at least seven (7) days before the meeting.

(2) The quorum for the Council meeting shall be four (4).

(3) Where any urgent matter requiring the approval of the Council arises and it is not possible to convene a meeting, the Honorary Secretary may obtain such approval by means of a circular letter. The following conditions must be fulfilled before a decision of the Council is deemed to have been obtained:-

(a) The issue must be clearly set out in the circular and forwarded to all members of the Council;

(b) At least one half of the members of the Council must indicate whether they are in favour or against the proposal; and

(c) The decision must be by a majority vote.

Any decision obtained by the circular letter shall be reported by the Honorary Secretary at the next Council meeting and recorded in minutes thereof.

(4) (a) Any member of the Council absenting himself from two (2) consecutive meetings without satisfactory explanations shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Council.

(b) The Council shall have the power to fill any vacancy in the Council during its term of office.

ARTICLE 22 AUDIT

Two (2) Honorary Auditors shall be elected at the Biennial General Meeting. They shall audit the years account and report to the Annual General Meeting. They may be requested by the President to audit the Association's account for any period within their tenure of office and a report to the Council.

ARTICLE 23 FINANCE

(1) The financial year of the Association shall be from 1st July to 30th June of the following year and the Council shall have the power at any time, and from time to time, to determine any change in the financial year.

(2) The Association shall operate a current account in a bank nominated by the Council. All monies of the Association exceeding the sum of Ringgit Malaysia Two Thousand (RM2,000.00 shall be deposited with the bank. The Association may operate other bank accounts as deemed necessary by the Council. The signatories of these accounts shall be the Honorary Treasurer and the President or the Honorary Secretary.

(3) No expenditure exceeding Ringgit Malaysia Ten Thousand (RM10,000.00) at any one time shall be incurred without the prior sanction of the Council, and no expenditure of exceeding Ringgit Malaysia Fifty thousand (RM50,000.00) in any one (1) month shall be incurred without the prior sanction of the Annual General Meeting. Expenditure of less than Ringgit Malaysia Ten Thousand (RM10,000.00) may be incurred by the President and the Honorary Secretary or Honorary Treasurer. (Exception applies only for the Annual General Meeting and Continuing Education Programme/Scientific Conferences expenses where an amount of Ringgit Malaysia Sixty Thousand (RM60,000.00) can be used with the approval of the Executive Council and Members passed at the Annual General Meeting).

(4) As soon as possible after the end of each financial year, a statement of receipts and payments and a balance sheet for the year shall be prepared and audited by the auditors. The audited accounts shall be submitted for the approval of the next annual general meeting and copies shall be made at the registered place of business of the Association for perusal of members.

ARTICLE 24 PUBLICATION

(a) The Association shall publish a newsletter and a publication as the organ of the Association subject to the prior approval of the authority concerned.

(b) The publication shall be supplied free of charge to all members and it may be sold to the public at a price to be decided by the Council.

ARTICLE 25 TRUSTEES

(1) Three (3) trustees who must be members of the Association and over Thirty (30) years of age, but not members of the Council, shall be elected by the Association at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office during the pleasure of the Association. They shall have vested in them all immovable properties whatsoever, belonging to the Association and shall deal with them in such manner as the Annual General Meeting may direct.

(2) The Trustees shall not sell, lease, withdraw or transfer any of the property of the Association without the consent and authority of the members at a General Meeting convened for the purpose.

(3) A Trustee may be removed from office by a General Meeting on the ground of ill health or unsoundness of mind, absence from the country or for any such reasons he is unable to perform his duties or unable to do so satisfactorily. In the event of the death, resignation or the removal of a trustee, the vacancy shall be filled by a new trustee appointed by the Annual General Meeting.

(4) The Trustees shall sign or shall authorize the President and Secretary or Treasurer of the Association to sign lease agreement for any land or buildings owned by the Association.

ARTICLE 26 PROHIBITIONS

(1) The premises of the Association shall not be used for any illegal or undesirable activities.

(2) The Association shall not indulge in any political activities or allow its funds and/or premises to be used for political purposes.

ARTICLE 27 AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

(1) Amendments to the rules of the Association shall only be made at the Annual General Meeting and shall come into force after the approval of the Registrar of Societies. It shall be proposed and seconded by Ordinary and Life Members.

(2) Proposals for amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in writing at least twenty eight (28) days before the date of the Annual General Meeting to the Honorary Secretary who will circulate them to all members at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the Annual General Meeting. No resolution rescind, add to, amend or otherwise alter the constitution shall be brought

before or moved at a General Meeting unless it has the support of not less than two-thirds of the Council.

(3) Proposals by any amendments of the Constitution shall be adopted only if it has been passed by a two-thirds majority of Ordinary and Life Members attending the Annual General Meeting including votes of proxy.

(4) Any amendments to the rules shall be forwarded to the Registrar of Societies within sixty (60) days of being passed by the Annual General Meeting.

ARTICLE 28 EXTERNAL AFFILIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

The Association from time to time will be empowered to be affiliated to related Veterinary Associations, both local and abroad, with the approval of the Annual General Meeting. An Affiliation fee may be paid if applicable.

ARTICLE 29 DISSOLUTION

(1) The Association shall not be dissolved, except by the consent of not less than two-thirds of the Ordinary and Life members of the Association expressed in person, at a General Meeting convened for the purpose.

(2) In the event of the Association being dissolved as provided above, all debts and liabilities legally incurred on behalf of the Association shall be fully discharged and the remaining funds shall be equally divided among animal shelter organization in Malaysia as decided by the majority of the members at a General Meeting convened for that purpose of dissolving the Association or as decided by a postal vote of the members.

(3) Notice of the Dissolution shall be given within fourteen (14) days of dissolution to the Registrar of Societies.

ARTICLE 30 IDEMNITY

(1) The following persons shall be indemnified by the Association against all losses and expenses which they incur in carrying out their duties, unless the losses and expenses are caused by their own deliberate fault or negligence;

(a) Members of the Council and its committees;

(b) Trustees;

(c) Staff of the Association.

(2) None of the persons mentioned in Article 28 (1) shall be liable for anything done or not done, by any person, or because he adds his signature to a receipt, or joins in some other act for the sake of conformity, or for the loss

suffered by the Association, unless this is the result of his own deliberate fault or negligence.

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1. Bendera

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2. Lambang



3. Lencana

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