

MISSOURI JAYCEES CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I - NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1: The name of this organization is the "Missouri Jaycees" in accordance with a pro forma decree of incorporation filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, State of Missouri, on March 18, 1936.

Section 2: The purpose of the organization shall be to promote and foster the growth of young person's civic organizations in the state of Missouri, to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of such organizations; to unite into federation such organizations in the state of Missouri as units of the Jaycees and to provide a means of teaching young person's civic consciousness through constructive action in community, state, nation and world to further individual growth of its members.

Section 3: This organization shall be nonpartisan, non-sectional, and non-sectarian, and shall wholly abstain from any political affiliations or endorsements of candidates for public office, provided, however, nothing contained herein shall prevent this organization from supporting or opposing public issues of state, national, and international significance.

ARTICLE II - AFFILIATION

The corporation shall be, and is affiliated with the U. S. Junior Chamber and Junior Chamber International and is subject to the constitution, bylaws, and policy of those bodies insofar as they affect and prescribe the functions of the Missouri Jaycees.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Local Chapter: A local affiliate organization maintaining officers and membership of persons between the ages of 18 and 40 inclusive. Application and acceptance of any young persons or organization as chapters in the Missouri Jaycees shall have purposes consistent with those of this organization and shall belong to the U. S. Junior Chamber.

Section 2: Regular Member: A member of a local chapter in good standing within this corporation shall be considered a regular member. If a regular member reaches forty-one (41) years of age after their membership anniversary month, such member shall continue as a regular member until their next membership anniversary date. No person shall be permitted to hold elected office at any level within the organization if they reach forty-one (41) years of age on or before the commencement of their term of office. The Chairperson of the Board shall be able to serve even if they have attained the age of forty-one (41) on or before the commencement of his or her term.

Section 3: Institutional Chapter and Institutional Member: Those local chapters and members that exist: (a) in a facility where persons are confined for penal or correctional reasons after trial and conviction of a criminal offense; or (b) in a program where the majority of their members are regularly engaged in a mental health rehabilitative program or confined for medical reasons.

Section 4: Honorary Member: Honorary membership may be conferred, upon prior recommendation of the Executive Committee, upon any person or persons by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the accredited delegates at any statewide meeting of the organization. Honorary members may not hold office, except in honorary capacity, nor vote in the organization.

Section 5: Life Member: Past presidents of this organization who have faithfully fulfilled the duties of their office shall be granted life membership, but they shall not hold office nor vote in the organization unless otherwise qualified.

Section 6: Sustaining Member: Any individual, business, or firm desiring to assist financially in extending the purpose and programs of this organization shall be eligible for affiliation as a sustaining member. Sustaining members shall not be entitled to vote or hold office in this organization unless otherwise qualified.

Section 7: Alumni Member: Shall be an individual who has reached forty-one (41) years of age and who previously was a regular member in good standing. No Alumni Member shall be entitled at any time to hold any office or vote upon any matter of the United States Junior Chamber, this Corporation or any Local Chapter.

Section 8: All local chapters and each regular member thereof are to be affiliated with Junior Chamber

International (JCI). One hundred percent (100%) individual JCI membership shall be extended to members in good standing of the U. S. Junior Chamber and the Missouri Jaycees who are not more than forty-one (41) years of age upon payment of annual dues. Dues for individual JCI membership shall be paid through this corporation and shall be considered in all respects as an obligation to this corporation.

Section 9: The Executive Committee, by a three-fourths (3/4) vote, may remove the state charter of any local chapter or may terminate the membership of any individual member for good cause shown; provided, however, that such local chapter or individual member is given notice by certified mail sent to the last known chapter president or address of the individual member not less than ten (10) days prior to the date revocation or termination is to be considered and after an opportunity to be heard at such meeting of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

The officers of the organization shall be President, Vice Presidents, Regional Directors, District Directors, and such other officers provided for in the bylaws.

ARTICLE V - GOVERNMENT

The government of this organization shall be vested in the President's Cabinet, Executive Committee, and the General Assembly as defined in the bylaws of this corporation. The governing body is charged with the responsibilities for the affairs, assets, and activities of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENTS

Section 1: This constitution may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the organization upon the affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the accredited delegates present, provided that such amendments and notice of consideration thereof shall have been given to each chapter not less than thirty (30) days prior thereto. The notice provision herein shall not be suspended.

Section 2: The effective date of this constitution, as amended, shall be January 16, 2011.

ARTICLE VII - REGIONAL ALIGNMENT

For the purposes of administration, service, and supervision by officers of this corporation, the state shall be divided into regions as follows:

REGION 2: Adair, Audrain, Chariton, Clark, Knox, Lewis, Lincoln, Linn, Macon, Marion, Monroe, Pike, Putnam, Ralls, Randolph, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby, Sullivan.

REGION 3: Andrew, Atchison, Barry, Barton, Bates, Buchanan, Caldwell, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Dade, Dallas, Daviess, DeKalb, Douglas, Gentry, Greene, Grundy, Harrison, Henry, Hickory, Holt, Howell, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Laclede, Lafayette, Lawrence, Livingston, McDonald, Mercer, Newton, Nodaway, Ozark, Platte, Polk, Ray, St. Clair, Stone, Taney, Vernon, Webster, Worth, Wright.

REGION 5: Franklin, Jefferson, St. Charles, St. Louis City, St. Louis County, Warren.

REGION 8: Bollinger, Butler, Cape Girardeau, Carter, Dunklin, Iron, Madison, Mississippi, New Madrid, Oregon, Pemiscot, Perry, Reynolds, Ripley, Scott, Shannon, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, Stoddard, Washington, Wayne.

REGION 9: Benton, Boone, Callaway, Camden, Cole, Cooper, Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Howard, Maries, Miller, Moniteau, Montgomery, Morgan, Osage, Pettis, Phelps, Pulaski, Saline, Texas.

ARTICLE VIII - BYLAWS

This corporation may from time to time make and adopt such rules and regulations known as bylaws as may be deemed necessary and proper. Nothing in said bylaws of the corporation, however, shall conflict with the general constitution and bylaws of the U. S. Junior Chamber, Junior Chamber International or the not-for-profit status of the State of Missouri.