

# BY LAW UPDATES FOR VOTING AT AGM

## ARTICLE I – NAME AND OBJECTIVES

1.01 The name of the organization shall be the Madoc and District Chamber of Commerce.

New Change

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1.02 The objectives of the Madoc and District Chamber of Commerce shall be to promote and improve trade and commerce, and the economic, civic and social welfare of the district.

New Change

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1.04 The Madoc and District Chamber of Commerce shall be non-sectional an non-sectarian and shall not lend it's support to any candidate for public office.

New Change

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## ARTICLE II – INTERPRETATION

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## ARTICLE 3 – MEMBERSHIP

3.01 Any reputable person directly or indirectly engaged or interested in trade commerce or the economic and social welfare the district shall be eligible for membership in the Chamber.

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3.07 The Board may remove from the roll of members the name of any newly enrolled member failing to pay his or her annual dues within 30 days of his or her admission, or of any member who fails to pay such dues within 60 days of the date on which they fall due. Upon such action by the Board all privileges of the membership shall be forfeited.

New Change

3.07 The Board may remove from the roll of members the name of any newly enrolled member failing to pay his or her annual dues within 30 days of his or her admission, or of any member who fails to pay such dues or any outstanding invoices (advertising, sponsorship & event payments) a notice of 15 days prior will be sent out, if failure to pay within the 60 days, such action by the Board will take place that all privileges of the membership shall be forfeited. Any dispute of outstanding payments shall be in written format (mail, email) and received 5 days before removal of membership privileges.

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## ARTICLE V - OFFICERS and BOARD

5.01 The officers shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, who together with up to four other members, shall be elected from among the members each year at the annual General Meeting by ballot and shall form the Board. They shall remain in office for two years or until their successors shall be appointed but no such officer or member of the Board, with the exception of the Secretary or Treasurer, shall hold the same office for more than four years in succession. The retiring President shall be exofficio, a member of the Board. All Board members to sign a Non Disclosure Agreement and all agreements to be filed at the Chamber office.

### New Change

5.01 The officers shall be: President, Vice President, **Secretary-Treasurer**, who together with up to four other members, shall be elected from among the members each year at the annual General Meeting by ballot and shall form the Board. They shall remain in office for two years or until their successors shall be appointed but no such officer or member of the Board, with the exception of the **Secretary-Treasurer**, shall hold the same office for more than four years in succession. The retiring President shall be exofficio, a member of the Board. All Board members to sign a Non Disclosure Agreement and all agreements to be filed at the Chamber office.

5.02 Where a member of the Board dies or resigns from office or is absence from three consecutive meetings of the Board, the Board may at any meeting thereof, appoint a member from the general membership to the Board in the place of the member who has died, resigned or is absent.

### New Change

5.02 Where a member of the Board dies or resigns from office or is absence from three consecutive meetings of the Board, the Board may at any meeting thereof, appoint a member from the general membership to the Board in the place of the member who has died, resigned or is absent. **If board member is a signing officer, a death certificate must be provided to the Chamber for purposes of removing the board member off all financial records and bank accounts.**

5.14 c. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Chamber and shall deposit, or se to be deposited, the same in a Chartered Bank selected by the Board out of such funds he\she shall pay amounts approved by the Board and shall keep a regular account of income and expenditures of the Chamber and shall submit an audited statement thereof for presentation to the annual General Meeting and at any other time required by the Board. He \she shall make such investment of the funds of the Chamber as the Board may direct. He\ she shall, with the with President or with one other board member sign all notes, drafts and cheques. At the expiration of term of office, the Treasurer shall deliver to the Chamber all books, papers and other property to the Chamber.

The Secretary shall be the executive officer of the Chamber and shall be responsible to the Board for the general control and management of the Chamber's business affairs. He\she shall be responsible for keeping the books, of the Chamber conducting its correspondence, retaining copies of all the official documents and shall perform all such other duties as properly that pertain to the office. He\she shall with the President, sign, and when necessary, seal with the seal of the

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Chamber, of which he\she shall have custody, all papers and documents requiring signature or execution on its behalf. He\she shall maintain an accurate record of the proceedings of the Chamber and the Board. At the expiration of term of office, the Secretary shall deliver to the Chamber all books, papers and other property to the Chamber.

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## ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

7.02 Regular General Meetings of the Chamber shall be held quarterly at the time and place designated by the Board. At least one week's notice of such meeting shall be given.

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7.03 Special General Meetings of the Chamber may be held at any time when summoned by the President or requested in writing by any three members of the Board, or any ten members of the Chamber. At least one day's notice of such meeting shall be given.

New Change

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7.04 The Board shall meet from time to time (at least once a month) as many as may be necessary to carry on the business of the Chamber.

New Change

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