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**CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT**  
**CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS**  
**UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS, INC.**  
**TANG BASE – PINELLAS PARK, FLORIDA**

We hereby certify that the attached amendment to the "~~Constitution and~~ By-Laws" of Tang Base (USSVI) was properly noticed in advance and adopted by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members present at a regularly scheduled meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - which is sufficient for adoption under Article XIII of the Tang Base "By-Laws".

DATED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2017.

Signed in the presence of:

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**BY- LAWS**  
**UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS, INC.**  
**TANG BASE - PINELLAS PARK, FLORIDA**

**ARTICLE I – NAME**

THE NAME OF THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL BE “TANG BASE” UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS INC. (USSVI)

**ARTICLE II – PURPOSE / CREED**

TO PERPETUATE THE MEMORY OF OUR SHIPMATES WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE PURSUIT OF THEIR DUTIES WHILE SERVING THEIR COUNTRY. THAT THEIR DEDICATION, DEEDS AND SUPREME SACRIFICE BE A CONSTANT SOURCE OF MOTIVATION TOWARD GREATER ACCOMPLISHMENTS. PLEDGE LOYALTY AND PATRIOTISM TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND ITS CONSTITUTION.

**ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1.**

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL (USSVI) CONSTITUTION. A MEMBER SHALL BE “IN GOOD STANDING” IF BASE AND NATIONAL DUES HAVE BEEN PAID FOR THE CURRENT YEAR. A MEMBER MAY BE A LIFE MEMBER WHEN MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NATIONAL USSVI.

HOLLAND CLUB MEMBERS ARE SUBJECT TO NATIONAL AND BASE DUES TO THE SAME EXTENT AS OTHER REGULAR MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION. HOWEVER, HOLLAND CLUB MEMBERS INDUCTED PRIOR TO THE NATIONAL OFFICE’S EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHANGE (SEPTEMBER 4, 2010) ARE ‘GRANDFATHERED’ AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE DESIGNATED AS LIFE MEMBERS OF NATIONAL USSVI, BUT WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY ANNUAL BASE DUES.

THERE IS NO BASE LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

NOT WITHSTANDING, WW-II SUBVETS SHALL BE DESIGNATED AS MEMBERS “IN GOOD STANDING” AND THEIR ANNUAL TANG BASE DUES SHALL BE RECORDED AS ‘PAID IN FULL’ WITH DUE CONSIDERATION THAT:

- 1) THEIR NATIONAL DUES ARE ‘PAID UP’, AND
- 2) THEY HAVE SHOWN AN INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN TANG BASE ACTIVITIES EITHER NOW, OR IN THE PAST.

### **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP (CONT)**

- A. REGULAR MEMBERSHIP IS RESTRICTED TO ALL U. S. PERSONNEL HAVING BEEN DESIGNATED "QUALIFIED IN SUBMARINES" BY THE U.S. NAVY.
- B. THOSE MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES SHALL HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS.
- C. ALL APPLICATIONS OF NEW MEMBERS SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY PROOF WHEN REQUESTED OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER SECTION 1 AND 2 OF THIS ARTICLE. FORM DD214, LETTERS FROM COMMANDING OFFICERS, OR THE SIGNATURE OF A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING ATTESTING THE APPLICATION TO BE TRUE TO THE BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE SHALL BE ACCEPTED.

#### **SECTION 2. - ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP:**

- A. AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER IS A PERSON WHO IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR REGULAR MEMBERSHIP BUT IS CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH A REGULAR MEMBER.
- B. EACH ASSOCIATE MEMBER MUST BE SPONSORED BY A REGULAR MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING.
- C. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL USSVI. THERE IS NO BASE LIFE MEMBERSHIP.
- D. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IS RESERVED FOR PERSONS NOT OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE FOR REGULAR MEMBERSHIP, BUT WHO ARE RELATED TO THE SUBMARINE SERVICE BY THEIR DEEDS OR ACTIONS. (ALL ASSOCIATE MEMBERS MUST BE AT LEAST SIXTEEN (16) YEARS OF AGE). THIS DOES NOT PRECLUDE ANY RELATIVE OF A REGULAR MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING FROM APPLYING FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP.
- E. EACH REGULAR MEMBER MAY SPONSOR ONE OTHER ASSOCIATE MEMBER NOT DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH "D" ABOVE.
- F. ANYONE WHO IS PRESENTLY SERVING, OR HAS SERVED, IN A CURRENTLY ALLIED NAVY, AND IS QUALIFIED IN SUBMARINES, MAY BECOME AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER, AND DOES NOT REQUIRE A SPONSOR.
- G. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS MAY NOT VOTE IN THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS AND CANNOT HOLD NATIONAL ELECTED OFFICE.
- H. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS MAY VOTE ON BASE MATTERS AND MAY HOLD APPOINTED OFFICE.
- I. THE NUMBER OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS MAY NOT EXCEED TEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL BASE MEMBERSHIP.

## **ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS**

### **SECTION 1.**

THE GENERAL PROCEEDINGS OF MEETINGS SHALL BE IN KEEPING WITH THE NORMAL PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES SET DOWN BY "ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER" REVISED.

### **SECTION 2.**

THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETINGS OF "TANG BASE" SHALL BE ON THE THIRD (3) SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH, OR AS OTHERWISE AGREED ON AT A REGULAR MEETING, OR AT A PLACE DESIGNATED IN THE BASE NEWSLETTER.

### **SECTION 3.**

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD SHALL MEET ON A SEMI ANNUAL BASIS AT SUCH TIME AND PLACE AS THE BASE COMMANDER SHALL DESIGNATE.

### **SECTION 4.**

SPECIAL MEETINGS MAY BE CALLED BY THE BASE COMMANDER AND/OR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AS REQUIRED.

## **ARTICLE V - QUORUM**

### **SECTION 1.**

A QUORUM SHALL BE TWELVE (12%) PERCENT OF THE TOTAL MEMBERSHIP IN GOOD STANDING, PRESENT AT DULY CALLED MEETINGS FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BASE BUSINESS.

## **ARTICLE VI - VOTING**

### **SECTION 1.**

EACH MEMBER PRESENT IN GOOD STANDING (ALL MEMBERSHIP DUES PAID) SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT MEETINGS AND A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THE VOTING MEMBERS SHALL DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF THE VOTE.

## **ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS**

### **SECTION 1.**

THE ELECTED OFFICERS OF TANG BASE SHALL BE THE COMMANDER, VICE COMMANDER, SECRETARY, TREASURER, AND MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY, WHO SHALL BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR.

## **SECTION 2.**

THE APPOINTED OFFICERS OF TANG BASE ARE TO BE THE CHAPLAIN, CHIEF OF THE BOAT, STORE KEEPER, ASSISTANT STORE KEEPER, WEBMASTER, LIBRARIAN, HISTORIAN, PIPER & BUGLER, PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN ALL OF WHOM SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE COMMANDER AND APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. THE COMMANDER WITH EXECUTIVE BOARD APPROVAL MAY ELECT TO COMBINE APPOINTED POSITIONS.

## **SECTION 3.**

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF TANG BASE SHALL BE MADE UP OF THE CURRENT COMMANDER, THE IMMEDIATE PAST COMMANDER (OR, IF HE IS NOT AVAILABLE, A BASE MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING APPOINTED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AS AN ADVISOR), VICE-COMMANDER, SECRETARY, TREASURER AND THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD SHALL BE PRESIDED OVER BY THE BASE COMMANDER.

## **SECTION 4.**

THE COMMANDER MAY HOLD HIS OFFICE FOR TWO (2) CONSECUTIVE TERMS. IN THE EVENT THE OFFICE OF COMMANDER IS VACATED THE VICE COMMANDER SHALL ASSUME THE OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER. ANY OTHER VACANCY SHALL BE FILLED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ANY MEMBERS SO APPOINTED SHALL HOLD THAT OFFICE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM AND SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR ELECTION TO A FULL TERM AT THE TIME.

## **SECTION 5.**

SHOULD THE EXECUTIVE BOARD BE DEADLOCKED ON ANY ISSUE THEN THAT ISSUE MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE MEMBERSHIP FOR THEIR VOTE.

## **ARTICLE VIII - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

### **SECTION 1.**

THE BASE COMMANDER SHALL APPOINT TWO (2) MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING TO SERVE WITH HIM AS THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

### **SECTION 2.**

IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO SEEK QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR ALL ELECTIONS AND PRESENT TO THE MEMBERSHIP, AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING, THE NAMES OF ALL OF THOSE MEMBERS WHO ARE WILLING IF ELECTED TO ACCEPT THE OFFICE TO WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN NOMINATED.

### **SECTION 3.**

NOMINATIONS WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED FROM THE FLOOR AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING, AT WHICH TIMES THE ELECTION SHALL TAKE PLACE.

## **ARTICLE IX - DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS**

### **SECTION 1. - BASE COMMANDER:**

PRESIDE AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP, AND ALL MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

WITH CAUSE, CALL SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP, AND COMMITTEES OTHER THAN THOSE OF THE BASE ORGANIZATION.

BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONDUCT OF BASE BUSINESS.

ALWAYS ACT WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE BASE BY-LAWS.

ACT WITHIN THE PURPOSE OF THE U. S. SUBMARINE VETERANS, INC.

SEND A CARD OF SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING UPON THE DEATH OF SAID MEMBER, SPOUSE OR CHILD

SERVE A TERM OF OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASE BY-LAWS.

### **SECTION 2. - BASE VICE-COMMANDER:**

PRESIDE AT MEMBERSHIP AND/OR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING IN THE ABSENCE OF THE BASE COMMANDER.

AFTER TWO (2) MEETINGS OF THE BASE COMMANDERS ABSENCE THE VICE-COMMANDER SHALL ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BASE COMMANDER UNTIL SUCH TIME THE BASE COMMANDER RETURNS OR RESIGNS FOR REASON.

ESTABLISH BASE SOCIAL, WAYS AND MEANS, AND RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEES AND OTHER COMMITTEES AS REQUIRED. HE SHALL SERVE AS EX-OFFICIO CHAIRMAN OF ALL COMMITTEES.

HE SHALL SERVE A TERM OF OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASE BY-LAWS.

### **SECTION 3. - BASE SECRETARY**

DRAFT CALL OF ALL MEETINGS, MEMBERSHIP, EXECUTIVE BOARD, AND SPECIAL MEETINGS.

KEEP THE MINUTES OF THE BASE MEETINGS.

MAINTAIN THE ATTENDANCE LOG FOR EACH MEETING.

BE THE CUSTODIAN OF THE BASE RECORDS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BASE HISTORIAN.

BRING TO MEETINGS A COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE IMMEDIATE PAST MEETING AS REQUIRED BY THE BASE COMMANDER AND/OR BASE BY-LAWS.

PRESENT TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, AT THEIR STATED MEETINGS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO HIM OFFICIALLY BY THE BASE COMMANDER OR ANY OFFICER OR MEMBER OF THE BASE.

ASSIST THE PAST COMMANDER OR THE APPOINTED PERSON IN CONDUCTING THE ELECTION PROCESS BY SECRET BALLOT REFERENDUM VOTE OF THE MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING.

MAINTAIN UP-TO-DATE RECORDS OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE BASE. HE ALSO SHALL KEEP THE NATIONAL (USSVI) DATA BASE IN GOOD ORDER IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE OTHER OFFICERS OF THE BASE.

HE SHALL HAVE A TERM OF OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASE BY-LAWS.

#### **SECTION 4. - BASE TREASURER:**

RECEIVE ALL DUES AND MONIES OF THE BASE

DISBURSE TANG BASE MONIES AS DIRECTED BY THE BASE COMMANDER. BILLS IN EXCESS OF \$500.00 AFTER APPROVAL BY THE E-BOARD.

HAVE THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF AND BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE FUNDS AND SECURITIES OF THE BASE, AND DEPOSIT ALL SUCH FUNDS AND SECURITIES IN THE NAME OF THE "TANG BASE" USSVI IN SUCH BANK AS THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MAY DESIGNATE. SHALL OPEN AN INTEREST BEARING (WHERE POSSIBLE/PRACTICABLE) JOINT BANK ACCOUNT. THE ACCOUNT SHOULD BE DESIGNATED AS FOR A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION USING THE USSVI TAX ID NUMBER. THE ACCOUNT SHALL REQUIRE ONLY ONE SIGNATURE WITH THE EITHER THE TREASURER OR BASE COMMANDER SIGNATURE TO VALIDATE A CHECK.

MAINTAIN A MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT, A COPY OF WHICH WILL BE READ AND PRESENTED AT BASE MEETINGS AS NOTED IN THE BY-LAWS OR REQUESTED BY THE BASE COMMANDER.

WORK WITH THE OTHER TANG BASE OFFICERS TO KEEP THE BASE DATA BASE UP TO DATE. IE; DUES, ETC. AND MAINTAIN THE NATIONAL DATA BASE.

EXHIBIT AT REASONABLE TIMES, THE BASE BOOKS TO ANY BASE OFFICER.

HAVE A TERM OF OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASE BY-LAWS.

#### **SECTION 5. - BASE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN**

MAINTAIN THE CURRENT "SAILING LIST" OF PAID UP MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING IN APPROPRIATE BOOKS AND/OR FILES.

COLLECT AND RECEIVE ALL DUES PAYMENTS AND APPROPRIATELY SUBMIT ALL MONIES TO THE BASE TREASURER FOR RECEIPT AND DISBURSEMENT.

UPON RECEIPT OF DUES PAYMENTS ISSUE CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARDS TO THE MEMBERS.

OFFER THE TIME PAY LIFE MEMBERSHIP PLAN IN USSVI TO CURRENT MEMBERS AND NEW MEMBERS IF THEY SO DESIRE. THEY WOULD PAY \$25 MINIMUM PAYMENT AND BE BILLED MONTHLY AND HAVE FORTY EIGHT (48) MONTHS TO PAY OFF THE BALANCE, OR AS ESTABLISHED BY NAT'L.

WORKING WITH THE OTHER TANG BASE OFFICERS TO ENTER NECESSARY DATA IN THE BASE DATE BASE. IE; DUES, NEW MEMBERS, ETC.

NOTIFY THE BASE SECRETARY OF ANY CHANGES IN THE MEMBERS STATUS.

HAVE A TERM OF OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASE BY-LAWS.

### **ARTICLE X - APPOINTED POSITIONS**

THESE POSITIONS ARE APPOINTED AS OUTLINED ABOVE AND MUST BE APPROVED BY THE E-BOARD. AT THE COMMANDER AND E-BOARD'S DISCRETION THEY MAY BE COMBINED. (EXAMPLE: HISTORIAN AND LIBRARIAN)

#### **CHIEF OF THE BOAT (COB)**

THE COB REPORTS DIRECTLY TO THE VICE-COMMANDER AND HAS THE FOLLOWING DUTIES:

ENSURE THAT ORDER IS KEPT AT THE MEETINGS. (QUIET DOWN SIDE CONVERSATIONS AND DISTRACTIONS - MAINTAIN GOOD ORDER).

ENSURE THAT THE MEETING HALL IS SETUP PRIOR TO THE MEETINGS AND RESTORED AFTER THE MEETINGS. (HE IS TO SELECT A WORK CREW FROM AVAILABLE MEMBERS) ITEMS: TABLES RETURNED TO THEIR POSITIONS AND WIPED DOWN, COLORS, BELL AND FLAGS ALL RETURNED TO THE LOCKER. INSURE THAT A MEETING LOG IS SETUP AND ALL THOSE ATTENDING THE MEETING SIGN-IN INCLUDING THE GUESTS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED.

#### **BASE HISTORIAN**

COLLECT AND PRESERVE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS ALL HISTORIC DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO TANG BASE. WILL WORK WITH THE SECRETARY TO PRESERVE THE INFORMATION IN A NEAT AND ORDERLY MANNER.

COLLECT AND CREATE A HISTORICAL SUMMARY OF TANG BASE.

ACT AS A SOURCE OF HISTORICAL WISDOM AND FACT CONCERNING TANG BASE IN SUPPORT OF BOTH CONTINUED GROWTH AND OUR STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

PROVIDE TANG BASE HISTORICAL INFORMATION TO THE MEMBERSHIP AND THE USSVI WHEN REQUESTED.



### **BASE WEBMASTER**

MAINTAIN THE TANG BASE WEB SITE IN GOOD ORDER.

KEEP ALL POSTING UP-TO-DATE INCLUDING PHOTOS.

WORK WITH THE BASE SECRETARY AS HE POSTS UPDATES THE TANG BASE DATABASE.

### **STOREKEEPER**

ALWAYS BE PRUDENT WITH CHOICES OF WHAT TO STOCK AND IF NOT MOVING DISCUSS WITH BASE COMMANDER BEST WAY TO MOVE OUT THE POOR ITEM.

SAFE GUARD ALL MONIES AND TURN OVER TO BASE TREASURER AT THE END OF EACH MEETING WHILE MAINTAINING A REASONABLE CHANGE FUND NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY DOLLARS (\$30).

SEEK OUT NEW ITEMS THAT THE MEMBERSHIP MIGHT PURCHASE.

### **NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

REPORTS TO THE VICE-COMMANDER AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PRODUCING THE "RIDING THE VENTS" NEWSLETTER AND ANY OTHER NEEDED PUBLICATIONS SUCH AS THE MEMORIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS.

ENDEAVOR TO MAKE SURE ALL THE BASE MINUTES AND ANY OTHER PERTINENT DATA OF INTEREST TO THE BASE MEMBERSHIP IS INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER.

MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO MAKE THE NEWSLETTER INTERESTING, INFORMATIVE, AND APPROPRIATELY HUMOROUS. ALL OBITUARIES WILL BE HANDLED WITH GREAT CARE WITHIN ALL USSVI GUIDELINES.

### **BASE POC (POINT OF CONTACT)**

ACCEPT ALL USSVI AND TANG BASE COMMUNICATIONS AND PASS THEM ON THE APPROPRIATE INDIVIDUAL/S IN A TIMELY MANNER. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, ANY NEWS ABOUT SHIPMATES OR THEIR FAMILIES.

BE THE KEY PERSON IN SEEING THAT THE TANG BASE DATA BASE IS PROPERLY MAINTAINED. THIS WILL BE DONE WORKING WITH THE SECRETARY, TREASURER, BASE WEBMASTER AND MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN.

### **BASE PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER**

ENDEAVOR TO PLACE TIMELY ARTICLES IN ANY PRINT MEDIA THAT IS APPROPRIATE WHERE ATTENTION MIGHT BE FOCUSED ON THE TANG BASE AND USSVI AND OUR PURPOSE.

HE WILL WORK WITH OTHER MEMBERS TO FIND WAY TO PROMOTE TANG BASE'S GROWTH AND SEEK OUT OTHER VETERANS GROUPS WHERE MEMBERS MIGHT BE FOUND. HE WILL REPORT TO THE PERSON/S SO DESIGNATED BY THE BASE COMMANDER.

### **BASE CHAPLAIN**

HE WILL PERFORM THE DUTIES SUCH AS INVOCATION'S AND BENEDICTION'S AT TANG BASE FUNCTIONS.

ATTEND MEMORIAL SERVICES AND/OR FUNERAL SERVICES FOR SHIPMATES STARTING ON THEIR ETERNAL PATROLS AND THOSE OF THEIR FAMILIES, PERFORMING WHATEVER MIGHT BE NEEDED TO COMFORT AND PROVIDE SOLACE TO THE SURVIVORS.

### **ARTICLE XI - DUES**

#### **SECTION 1.**

ALL DUES, TANG BASE AND UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS (USSVI), SHALL BE PAID ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> OF EACH YEAR. THE FISCAL YEAR IS THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR. ON 1 JANUARY A MEMBER WHOSE DUES HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED IS CONSIDERED "IN ARREARS". AN "IN ARREARS" MEMBER WHO HAS NOT PAID DUES BY JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup> SHALL BE DROPPED FROM THE ROLLS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

WHEN A NEW MEMBER JOINS IN THE FOURTH QUARTER OF THE YEAR (OCT/NOV/DEC) THEIR DUES SHALL BE CONSIDERED PAYMENT FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

TANG BASE DUES ARE \$15.00 PER YEAR. BASE "LIFE MEMBERSHIP" IS NOT AVAILABLE. NOT WITHSTANDING, PER ARTICLE III (AS AMENDED): WW-II SUBVETS DESIGNATED AS MEMBERS "IN GOOD STANDING" OF TANG BASE SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY BASE DUES, BUT THEIR ANNUAL BASE DUES SHALL NEVERTHELESS BE RECORDED AS 'PAID IN FULL'.

UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS (USSVI) ANNUAL AND LIFE MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE SET BY USSVI NATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

### **ARTICLE XII.- SUNCOAST CHAPTER (WW-II)**

WHEREAS, SUN COAST CHAPTER SUBMARINE VETERAN'S WORLD WAR TWO, HAVING DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES IN TIME OF WAR NOW ARE VERY MUCH AWARE THAT THEIR NUMBERS AND HEALTH CONCERNS ARE ON A DESCENDING CURVE.

WHEREAS THEY SOUGHT AND RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM THE TANG BASE E-BOARD AND BY VOTE OF THE TANG BASE MEMBERS TO COMBINE RESOURCES THEY WERE ENTITLED TO A PORTION OF THE AGENDA AT REGULAR MEETINGS.

WHEREAS, BOTH THE NATIONAL AND SUNCOAST CHAPTERS OF WW-II SUBMARINE VETERANS HAVE BEEN DISSOLVED.

WHEREAS, UPON BEING DISSOLVED, THE SUNCOAST CHAPTER (WW-II) DONATED THE BALANCE OF THEIR TREASURY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400 TO THE TANG BASE GENERAL FUND.

PER ARTICLE III (AS AMENDED), ALL FORMER WW-II MEMBERS OF THE SUNCOAST CHAPTER ARE DESIGNATED AS MEMBERS "IN GOOD STANDING" OF TANG BASE (USSVI). THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHANGE IS: SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2012.

TANG BASE NEWSLETTER "RIDING THE VENTS" WILL HAVE APPROPRIATE COMMENTS AND NEWS AS TO BE DETERMINED BY THE EDITOR OF THE "RIDING THE VENTS" NEWSLETTER AND A SPOKESPERSON FOR THE FORMER WW-II SUNCOAST CHAPTER.

### ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS


#### SECTION 1.

AMENDMENTS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THESE BY-LAWS REQUIRE A SINGLE NOTICE IN WRITING TO EACH MEMBER AND A 2/3 VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING.

MEMBERS MAY ELECT TO RECEIVE THIS AND ANY OTHER NOTIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY THESE BY-LAWS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS (E-MAIL). UNLESS A POSITIVE ACTION IS TAKEN BY A MEMBER TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC NOTIFICATIONS, SUCH NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE BY US MAIL. PUBLICATION IN THE NEWSLETTER SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO BE NOTIFICATION IN WRITING.

VOTED ON AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF MAY 2017.

  
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TANG BASE SECRETARY

  
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KEN McNABB  
TANG BASE COMMANDER