State Council Bylaws

Article I Name

The name of the corporation is *(the name of the state council prescribed by the Articles of Incorporation)* as prescribed by the Articles of Incorporation and hereinafter referred to as the “council.”

Article II Purpose

The purposes of the council are those prescribed by the Articles of Incorporation and the Constitution of Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.

Article III Members

*Choose the method of determining the number of delegates.*

Each chapter shall be entitled to *(one/two/three/…)* delegate/s and *(one/two/three/…)* alternate delegates.

OR

Each chapter shall be entitled to one delegate for each _____ members and *(one/two/three/…) alternate delegates.* Any chapter with less than _____ members shall be entitled to one delegate and one alternate delegate.

*Include the following if at-large membership is represented.*

The members-at-large shall be entitled to one delegate.

OR

The members-at-large shall be entitled to one delegate for each _____ members-at-large.

Article IV Officers

The officers of the council shall be a *(choose the officers from the following list of and add positions as needed: president, a vice-president¹, a secretary, and a treasurer, or a secretary-treasurer.)* These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws, the Constitution of Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc. and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.

*Insert the following to allow officers who are not elected delegates to vote.*

Council officers who are not elected chapter delegates may vote.

Article V Meetings

Regular and special meetings of the council shall be called as prescribed by the Constitution of Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.

¹ If more than one vice president number them.
Insert the following to establish a board of directors.

Article VI Board of Directors

§1 Composition. The officers of the council shall constitute the board of directors.

OR

§1 Composition. The officers and (one/two/three/…) elected (director/directors) shall constitute the board of directors.

§2 Board’s duties and powers. The board shall have general supervision of the affairs of the council between its meetings, make recommendations to the council.

§3 Board meetings. Regular meetings of the council board will be held ________.

Article VII Committees

The council may establish standing and special committees in compliance with The Constitution of Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.

Article VIII Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the council in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order and standing rules the council may adopt.

Article IX Amendment of Bylaws

These bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the council by a two-thirds vote provided the amendment has been submitted in writing thirty to sixty days before the meeting.

Bylaws as (adopted, amended, revised), Month, date, and year.