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1. The name of the Incorporated Association shall be the Pan-Macedonian Association of Queensland Inc. - "Alexander The Great" (in these Rules called "The Association").

OBJECTS

2. The objects for which the association is established are :-

- (a) To guide its members in the direction of promoting good and friendly relations between them and the wider community, and also to inspire them with love towards Australia, encouraging thus a better and more successful integration of its members into the multi-cultural Australian society.
- (b) To promote the interests, welfare, and well-being and to provide facilities, opportunities, conveniences and accommodation for the use of education, advancement, benefit and maintenance of persons born of Greek Macedonian origin, and for the time being resident within the State of Queensland and their family descendants relatives and dependents.
- (c) To promote, conduct and carry on any sporting tournaments, entertainments or amusements and to co-operate with any other body of persons, corporate or incorporate in promoting the conduct or carrying out of the same and to provide trophies and prizes in connection therewith.
- (d) To faithfully maintain the doctrines of the Greek Orthodox faith and the ideals of Christianity, and to treat with respect the representative Greek authorities.
- (e) To preserve and maintain national and local traditions, customs, symbols and costumes of Greek Macedonian origin.
- (f) To promote and provide information on subjects of interest to members of the association and others by lectures on historical, literary, social and patriotic subjects; discussions, books, films, correspondence with persons and companies or otherwise.
- (g) To print or publish any newspapers, periodicals, books or leaflets that the association may think desirable for the promotion of its objects.
- (h) To promote the co-operation of the association with other Greek associations functioning in Australia.

- (i) To arrange functions of all kinds, and raise funds by all means.
- (j) In furtherance of the objects of the association, to establish and support and to subscribe to or become a member of any other similar association or company formed for all or any of the objects of the association or whose objects of the association or the establishment or support of which may be beneficial to the association and which shall prohibit the distribution of their income.
- (k) To do all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

POWERS

3. The powers of the associations are :-

- (a) To take over the funds and other assets and the liabilities of the present unincorporated association known as the Pan-Macedonian Greek Brotherhood of Queensland "Alexander The Great".
- (b) To subscribe to, become a member of and co-operate with any other association, club or organization, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of the Association provided that the association shall not subscribe to or support with its funds any club, association or organization which does not prohibit the distribution of its income and property among its members to an extent at least as great as that imposed on the association under or by virtue of rule 28(j)
- (c) In furtherance of the objects of the association to buy, sell and deal in all kinds of articles, commodities and provisions, both liquid and solid, for the members of the association or persons frequenting the association's premises.
- (d) To purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire and otherwise acquire any lands, buildings, easements or property, real and personal, and any rights or privileges which may be requisite for the purposes of, or capable of being conveniently used in connection with, any of the objects of the association: Provided that in case the association shall take or hold any property which may be subject to any trusts the association shall only deal with the same in such manner as is allowed by law having regard to such trusts.
- (e) To enter into any arrangements with any Government

or Authority that are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the association; to obtain from any such Government or Authority any rights, privileges and concessions which the association may think it desirable to obtain, and to carry out, exercise and comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges and concessions.

- (f) To appoint, employ, remove or suspend such managers, clerks, secretaries, servants, workmen and other persons as may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of the association.
- (g) To remunerate any person or body corporate for services rendered, or to be rendered, and whether by way or brokerage or otherwise in placing or assisting to place or guaranteeing the placing of any unsecured notes, debentures or other securities of the incorporated association, or in or about the incorporated association or promotion of the incorporated association or in the furtherance of its objects.
- (h) To construct, improve, maintain, develop, work, manage, carry out, alter or control any houses, buildings, grounds, works or conveniences which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to advance the associations's interests and to contribute to, subsidise or otherwise assist and take part in the construction, improvement, maintenance, development, working, management, carrying out, alteration or control thereof.
- (i) To invest and deal with the money of the Association not immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be thought fit;
- (j) To take, or otherwise acquire, and hold shares, debentures or other securities of any company or body corporate;
- (k) In furtherance of the objects of the association to lend and advance money or give credit to any person or body corporate;
- (l) To borrow or raise money either alone or jointly with any other person or legal entity in such manner as may be thought proper and whether upon fluctuating advance account or overdraft or otherwise to represent or secure any moneys and further advances borrowed or to be borrowed alone or with others as aforesaid by notes secured or

unsecured, debentures or debenture stock perpetual or otherwise, or by mortgage charge, lien or other security upon the whole or any part of the incorporated association's property or assets present or future and to purchase, redeem or pay-off any such securities;

- (m) To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bill of lading and other negotiable or transferable instruments;
- (n) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to sell improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or part of the property and rights of the Association;
- (o) To take or hold mortgages, liens or charges, to secure payment of the purchase price, or any unpaid balance of the purchase price, of any part of the Association's property of whatsoever kind sold by the Association, or any money due to the Association from purchasers and others;
- (p) To take any gift or property whether subject to any special trust or not, for any one or more of the objects of the Associations but subject always to the proviso in sub-rule (d);
- (q) To take such steps by personal or written appeals, public meetings or otherwise, as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Association, in the shape of donations, annual subscriptions or otherwise;
- (r) To print and publish any newspapers, periodicals, books or leaflets that the Association may think desirable for the promotion of its objects;
- (s) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to amalgamate with any one or more incorporated associations having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Association and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as that imposed upon the Association under or by virtue of rule 28(j).
- (t) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of any one or more of the incorporated associations with which the Association is authorized to amalgamate;
- (u) To make donations for patriotic, charitable or community purposes;

- (v) To transact any lawful business in aid of the Commonwealth of Australia in the prosecution of any war in which the Commonwealth of Australia is engaged;
- (w) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Association.

CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

4. Subject to the conditions set out in this constitution, the members of the Association shall comprise the following 4 categories :-

1. Ordinary;
2. Associates;
3. Honorary;
4. Life.

1. Ordinary Members

- (a) Any person male or female of any nationality, but only of Greek Macedonian origin, residing in the State of Queensland and having attained the age of eighteen (18) years may make application in the manner prescribed herein to be admitted as an ordinary member, provided that such person approves of the objects of the association.
- (b) All ordinary members shall be entitled to vote on all matters and be eligible for the election to the Management Committee of the association, and to the executive positions of the Management Committee as office bearers provided that such members shall be financially in order for a period of not less than three (3) months prior to the elections.

2. Associate Members

- (a) Any person male or female of any nationality but only of Greek origin and residing in the State of Queensland and having attained the age of eighteen (18) years shall be eligible for membership as an associate member. Such associate members shall be entitled to vote on all matters, but shall not have the right of becoming, by election, office bearers of the association.
- (b) Any person eligible for ordinary or associate membership as provided above provided he or she desires to become a member, shall make an application in writing for such membership addressed to the President of the Management Committee and such application must be accompanied by a proposal signed by two financial ordinary members and must be lodged with the Secretary

fourteen (14) clear days prior to a regular meeting of Management Committee, and the Secretary shall arrange such application to be posted in a prominent position at the place of the meeting of the members and the same shall remain there until its consideration by the Management Committee.

3. Honorary Members

Any person, male or female of any nationality enjoying a prominent and distinguished position in the community, or showing such an interest in the affairs of the Association by contributing morally or financially towards the progress or the cause and objects of the Association, may upon a unanimous recommendation by the Management Committee, be proclaimed by a General Meeting of the members as an Honorary Member of the Association. Such Honorary Member shall be granted with a special identification card sealed with the seal of the Association and signed by the President and the Secretary and shall be exempted from any subscription fee. No Honorary Member shall have the right of voting or electing or being elected for any office of the Association.

4. Life Members

The General Meeting of the members shall have the power to elect any person as a Life Member in appreciation of his or her outstanding services to the Association and such Life Members so elected shall be exempted from the payment of any membership fee.

5. The number of members in each class shall be unlimited.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND RIGHTS

5. (a) Every person who at the date of incorporation of the Association was a member of the unincorporated association and who on or before the day of incorporation agrees in writing to become a member of the Association shall be admitted by the Management Committee to the same class of membership of the Association as that member held in the unincorporated Association, and shall not be required to pay any further subscription until the next due date for payment of that subscription.

(b) The application for membership shall contain:

1. Full name;
2. Residential or business address;
3. Profession or occupation;
4. Place of birth;

5. Age;
6. Marital status;
7. Name and date of birth of applicant's children;
8. Signature of applicant

MEMBERSHIP FEES

6. (a) The membership fees for each class of membership shall be such sum as the members shall from time to time at any general meeting so determine.
- (b) The membership fees for each class of membership shall be payable at such time and in such manner as the Management Committee shall from time to time determine.

ADMISSION AND REJECTION OF MEMBERS

7. (a) At the next meeting of the Management Committee after the receipt of any application and the fee applicable for any class of membership, such application shall be considered by the Management Committee, who shall thereupon determine upon the admission or rejection of the applicant.
- (b) Any applicant who receives a majority of the votes of the members of the Management Committee present at the meeting at which such application is being considered shall be accepted as a member to the class of membership applied for. A copy of the constitution of the association will be made available to such member on request.
- (c) Upon the acceptance or rejection of an application for any class of membership the Secretary shall forthwith give the applicant notice in writing of such acceptance or rejection.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

8. (a) A member may resign from the association at any time by giving notice in writing to the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time such notice is received by the Secretary unless a later date is specified in the notice when it shall take effect on that later date.
- (b) If a member -
 - (i) is convicted of an indictable offence; or
 - (ii) fails to comply with any of the provisions or Rules; or
 - (iii) has membership fees in arrears for period of two (2) months or more; or
 - (iv) conducts himself in a manner considered

be injurious or prejudicial to the character or interest of the association,

the Management Committee shall consider whether his membership shall be terminated.

- (c) The member concerned shall be given full and fair opportunity of presenting his case and if the Management Committee resolves to terminate his membership it shall instruct the Secretary to advise the member in writing accordingly.

APPEAL AGAINST REJECTION OR TERMINATION
OF MEMBERSHIP

- 9. (a) A person whose application for membership has been rejected or whose membership has been terminated by within one (1) month of receiving written notification thereof, lodge with the Secretary written notice of his intention to appeal against the decision of the Management Committee.
- (b) Upon receipt of a notification of intention to appeal against rejection or termination of membership the Secretary shall convene, within three months of the date of receipt by him of such notice, a general meeting to determine the appeal. At any such meeting the applicant shall be given the opportunity to fully present his case and the Management Committee or those members thereof who rejected the application for membership or terminated the membership subsequently shall likewise have the opportunity of presenting its or their case. The appeal shall be determined by the vote of the members at such meeting.
- (c) Where a person whose application is rejected, does not appeal against the decision of the Management Committee within the time prescribed by these Rules or so appeals but the appeal is unsuccessful, the Secretary shall forthwith refund the amount of any fee paid.

REGISTER OF MEMBERS

- 10. (a) The Management Committee shall cause a Register to be kept in which shall be entered the names and residential addresses of all persons admitted to membership of the association and the dates of their admission.
- (b) Particulars shall also be entered into the register of deaths, resignations, terminations and reinstatements of membership and any further particulars as the Management Committee or the members at any general meeting may require from time to time.

- (c) The register shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times by any member who previously applies to the Secretary for such inspection, giving fourteen (14) days notice in writing.

MEMBERSHIP OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- 11. (a) The management Committee of the association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, all of whom shall be members of the association, and such number of other members as the members of the association at any general meeting may from time to time elect or appoint.
- (b) All members of the Management Committee shall retire from office, at the relevant Annual General Meeting of the association, but shall be eligible upon nomination for re-election.
- (c) The election of officers and other members of the Management Committee shall take place in the following manner :-
 - (i) By voting and such elected committee shall remain in office for two (2) years if it obtained a vote of confidence at the following Annual General Meeting of the members and immediately after the balance sheet and the general report are presented for confirmation. In the event that such committee does not secure such a vote of confidence, it shall resign;
 - (ii) Any two members of the association shall be at liberty to nominate any other member to serve as an officer or other member of the Management Committee;
 - (iii) The nomination, which shall be in writing and signed by the member and his proposer and seconder, shall be lodged with the Secretary at least fourteen (14) days before the Annual General Meeting at which election is to take place;
 - (iv) A list of the candidates' names in alphabetical order, with the proposers' and seconders' names, shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the office or usual place of meeting of the association for at least seven (7) days immediately preceding the Annual General Meeting.
 - (v) Balloting lists shall be prepared (if necessary) containing the names of the candidates in alphabetical order, and each member present at the Annual General Meeting shall be entitled to vote for any number of such candidates not exceeding the number of vacancies;

(vi) Should, at the commencement of such meeting, there be an insufficient number of candidates nominated, nominations may be taken from the floor of the meeting.

(d) No candidate shall be eligible for election to the Management Committee if such candidate is at the time of the election, a member of the Management Committee of any other Greek association.

(e) Members eligible for election to the Management Committee shall be those referred to in Subsection 1.(a) and 1.(b) of Section 4 of this Constitution subject, however, to such members being financially in order for a period of not less than one (1) year prior to the election date.

12. Any member of the Management Committee may resign from membership of the Management Committee at any time by giving notice in writing to the Secretary but such resignation shall take effect at the time such notice is received by the Secretary unless a later date is specified in the notice when it shall take effect on the later date or such member may be removed from office at a general meeting of the association where that member shall be given the opportunity to fully present his case. The question of removal shall be determined by the vote of the members present at such a general meeting.

VACANCIES ON MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

13. (a) The Management Committee shall have power at any time to appoint any member of the association to fill any casual vacancy on the Management Committee until the next Annual General Meeting.

(b) The continuing members of the Management Committee may act notwithstanding any casual vacancy in the Management Committee, but if and so long as their number is reduced below the number fixed by or pursuant to these Rules as the necessary quorum of the Management Committee, the continuing member or members may act for the purpose of increasing the number of members of the Management Committee to that number or of summoning a general meeting of the association, but for no other purpose.

FUNCTIONS OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

14. (a) Except as otherwise provided by these Rules and subject to resolutions of the members of the association carried at any general meeting the Management Committee -

(i) shall have the general control and

management of the administration of the affairs, property and funds of the Association, and

(ii) shall have authority to interpret the meaning of these Rules and any matter relating to the association on which these Rules are silent

(b) The Management Committee may exercise all the powers of the association -

(i) to borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as the members of the association may think fit and secure the same or the payment or performance of any debt, liability, contract, guarantee or other engagement incurred or to be entered into by the association in any way and in particular by the issue of debentures, perpetual or otherwise, charged upon all or any of the association's property, both present and future, and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such securities;

(ii) to borrow money from members at a rate of interest not exceeding interest at the rate for the time being charged by bankers in Brisbane for overdrawn accounts on money lent, whether the term of the loan be short or long, and to mortgage or charge its property or any part thereof and to issue debentures and other securities, whether outright or as security for any debt, liability or obligation of the association, and to provide and pay off any such securities; and

(iii) to invest in such manner as the members of the association may from time to time determine.

MEETING OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

15. (a) The Management Committee shall meet at least once every calendar month to exercise its functions.
- (b) A special meeting of the Management Committee shall be convened by the secretary on the requisition in writing signed by not less than one-third of the members of the Management Committee, which requisition shall clearly state the reasons why such special meeting is being convened and the nature of the business to be transacted thereat.
- (c) At every meeting of the Management Committee a simple majority of a number equal to the number of members elected and/or appointed to the Management Committee as at the close of the last general meeting of the members, shall constitute a quorum.
- (d) Subject as previously provided in this rule, the Management Committee may meet together and regulate

its proceedings as it thinks fit: Provided that questions arising at any meeting of the Management Committee shall be decided by a majority of votes and, in the case of equality of votes, the question shall be deemed to be decided in the negative.

- (e) A member of the Management Committee shall not vote in respect of any contract or proposed contract with the association in which he is interested, or any matter arising thereout, and if he does so vote his vote shall not be counted.
 - (f) Not less than fourteen (14) days notice shall be given by the Secretary to members of the Management Committee of any special meeting of the Management Committee. Such notice shall clearly state the nature of the business to be discussed thereat.
 - (g) The President shall preside as Chairman at every meeting of the Management Committee, or if there is no President, or if at any meeting he is not present within ten minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the Vice-President shall be Chairman or if the Vice-President is not present at the meeting then the members may choose one of their number to be Chairman of the meeting.
 - (h) If within half an hour from the time appointed for the commencement of a Management Committee meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of members of the Management Committee, shall lapse. In any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, or to such other day and at such other time and place as the Management Committee may determine, and if at the adjournment meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting shall lapse.
- 16.
- (a) The Management Committee may delegate any of its powers to a sub-committee consisting of such members of the association as the Management Committee thinks fit. Any sub-committee so formed shall in the exercise of the powers so delegated conform to any regulations that may be imposed on it by the Management Committee.
 - (b) A sub-committee may elect a Chairman of its meetings. If no such Chairman is elected, or if at any meeting the Chairman is not present within ten minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present may choose one of their number to be Chairman of the meeting.
 - (c) A sub-committee may meet and adjourn as it thinks proper. Questions arising at any meeting shall

be determined by a majority of votes of the members present and, in the case of an equality of votes, the question shall be deemed to be decided in the negative.

17. All acts done by any meeting of the Management Committee or of a sub-committee or by any person acting as a member of the Management Committee discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such member of the Management Committee or person acting as aforesaid,, or that the members of the Management Committee or any of them were disqualified, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a member of the Management Committee.
18. A resolution in writing signed by all the members of the Management Committee for the time being entitled to receive notice of a meeting of the Management Committee shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Management Committee duly convened and held. Any such resolution may consist of several documents in like form, each signed by one or more members of the Management.

ANNUAL GENERAL OR GENERAL MEETINGS

19. The first general meeting shall be held at such time, not being less than one month nor more than three months after the incorporation of the association and at such place as the Management Committee may determine.
20. (a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held within three months of the close of the financial year.
- (b) The business to be transacted at every Annual General Meeting shall be:-
- (i) the receiving of the Management Committee's report and the statement of income and expenditure, assets and liabilities and mortgages, charges and securities affecting the property of the association for the preceding financial year;
 - (ii) the receiving of the auditor's report upon the books and accounts for the preceding financial year.

- (c) The business to be transacted at every Second (2nd) Annual General Meeting shall be:-
 - (i) the election of members of the Management Committee; and
 - (ii) the appointment of an auditor
- 21. The Secretary shall convene a special general meeting -
 - (i) when directed to do so by the Management Committee; or
 - (ii) on the requisition in writing signed by not less than one-third of the members presently on the Management Committee or not less than the number of ordinary members of the association which equals double the number of members presently on the Management Committee plus one. Such requisition shall clearly state the reasons why such special general meeting is being convened and the nature of the business to be transacted thereat; or
 - (iii) on being given a notice in writing of an intention to appeal against the decision of the Management Committee to reject an application for membership or to terminate the membership of any person.
- 22. (a) At any general meeting the number of members required to constitute a quorum shall be double the number of members presently on the Management Committee plus one.
- (b) No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum of members is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business.
- (c) If within half an hour from the time appointed for the commencement of a general meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of members of the Management Committee or the association, shall lapse. In any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, or to such other day and at such other time and place as the Management Committee may determine, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the members present shall be a quorum.

- (d) The Chairman may, with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall if so directed by the meeting), adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place. When a meeting is adjourned for thirty days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of an original meeting.

Save as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.

23. (a) The Secretary shall convene all general meetings of the association by giving not less than fourteen (14) days notice of any such meeting to the members of the association.

- (b) The manner by which such notice shall be given shall be determined by the Management Committee: Provided that notice of any meeting convened for the purpose of hearing and determining the appeal of a member against the rejection or termination of his membership by the Management Committee, shall be given in writing. Notice of a general meeting shall clearly state the nature of the business to be discussed thereat.

24. Unless otherwise provided by the Rules, at every general meeting-

- (a) the president shall preside as Chairman, or if there is no President, or if he is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for the holding of the meeting or is unwilling to act, the Vice-President shall be the Chairman or if the Vice-President is not present or is unwilling to act then the members shall elect one of their number to be Chairman of the meeting;
- (b) the Chairman shall maintain order and conduct the meeting in a proper orderly manner;
- (c) every question, matter or resolution shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present;
- (d) every member present shall be entitled to one vote and in the case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote: Provided that no member shall be entitled to vote at any general meeting if his annual subscription is more than one month in arrears at the date of the meeting;

- (e) voting shall be by show of hands or a division of members, unless not less than one-fifth of the members present demand a ballot, in which event there shall be a secret ballot. The Chairman shall appoint two members to conduct the secret ballot in such manner as he shall determine and the result of the ballot as declared by the Chairman shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the ballot was demanded;
- (f) the Secretary shall cause full and accurate minutes of all questions, matters, resolutions and other proceedings of every Management Committee meeting and general meeting to be entered in a book to be open for inspection at all reasonable times by any financial member who previously applies to the Secretary for that inspection. For the purposes of ensuring the accuracy of the recording of such minutes, the minutes of every Management Committee meeting shall be signed by the Chairman of that meeting or the Chairman of the next succeeding Management Committee meeting verifying their accuracy. Similarly, the minutes of every general meeting shall be signed by the Chairman of that meeting or the Chairman of the next succeeding general meeting: Provided that the minutes of any annual general meeting shall be signed by the Chairman of that meeting or the Chairman of the next succeeding general meeting or annual general meeting.

BY-LAWS

- 25. (a) The Management Committee may from time to time make, amend or repeal by-laws, not inconsistent with these Rules, for the internal management of the association and any by-law may be set aside by a general meeting of members.
- (b) Donors: Any member or any person contributing to the funds of the association, the lump sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and over, but not more than the sum of nine hundred and ninety-nine dollars (\$999.00) shall be proclaimed by the association a donor.
- (c) Benefactor: Any member or any person contributing to the funds of the association the lump sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) and over shall be proclaimed a benefactor of the association.
- (d) Inaugural Members: Members who had the initiative of forming the original "BROTHERHOOD" shall be considered as INAUGURAL MEMBERS and their names shall be inserted in the same ROLL OF HONOR together with the names of the DONORS and BENEFACTORS of that Brotherhood. Such Roll of Honour shall be passed from the outgoing Council to the newly elected Management Committee, of the

incorporated association, and shall be confirmed in writing by each incoming Committee.

- (e) Change of Address and Notices: In the event of any change of address of any member of the association, such change shall be notified to the Secretary by letter, and all notices sent out to the members by the Secretary shall be considered as duly sent, if they are sent to the last recorded address in the register of members.

INTERPRETATION AND ALTERATION
OF RULES

26. (a) Subject to the provisions of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981, these Rules may be amended, rescinded or added to from time to time by a special resolution carried at any general meeting: Provided that no such amendment, rescission or addition shall be valid unless the same shall have been previously submitted to and approved by the Director-General, Department of Justice
Brisbane.
- (b) The sole authority for interpretation of this constitution and of the by-laws and regulations made thereunder, shall be the meetings of the association and the decision of the meeting of the members upon any question of interpretation of upon any matter affecting the association and not provided for by this constitution or by the by-laws and regulations made thereunder shall be final and binding on the association.
- (c) The constitution shall not be altered except by a special resolution passed by a general meeting of the members. Such resolution shall not pass unless ninety per centum (90%) plus one of the number of financial members voting at such meeting vote in favour of the resolution.

COMMON SEAL

27. (a) The Common Seal of the association shall be round bearing a circular inscription of the name

of the association in both languages English and Greek and in the centre a bust of Alexander the Great with the Greek flag over it, and the year of formation of the original "Brotherhood", namely 1975, under it.

- (b) The Management Committee shall provide for a Common Seal and for its safe custody. The Common Seal shall only be used by the authority of the Management Committee and every instrument to which the seal is affixed shall be signed by a member of the Management Committee and shall be countersigned by the Secretary or by a second member of the Management Committee or by some other person appointed by the Management Committee for the purpose.

FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

- 28. (a) The funds of the association shall be deposited in the name of the association in such Bank or permanent Building Society as the Management Committee may from time to time direct.
- (b) Proper books and accounts shall be kept and maintained either in writing or printed form in the English language showing correctly the financial affairs of the association and the particulars usually shown in books of a like nature.
- (c) All moneys shall be deposited as soon as practicable after receipt thereof.
- (d) All amounts of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or over shall be paid by cheque signed by any two of the president, secretary, treasurer or other member authorised from time to time by the Management Committee.
- (e) Cheques shall be crossed "not negotiable" except those in payment of wages, allowances or petty cash recoupments which may be open.
- (f) The Management Committee shall determine the amount of petty cash which shall be kept on the imprest system.
- (g) All expenditure shall be approved or ratified at a Management Committee meeting.
- (h) As soon as practicable after the end of each financial year the treasurer shall cause to be prepared a statement containing particulars of -
 - (i) the income and expenditure for the financial year just ended; and

- (ii) the assets and liabilities and of all mortgages, charges and securities affecting the property of the association at the close of that year.
- (i) All such statements shall be examined by the auditor who shall present his report upon such audit to the secretary prior to the holding of the annual general meeting next following the financial year in respect of which such audit was made.
- (j) The income and property of the association whencesoever derived shall be used and applied solely in promotion of its objects and in the exercise of its powers as set out herein and no portion thereof shall be distributed, paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise by way of profit to or amongst the members of the association provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the payment in good faith of interest to any such member in respect of moneys advanced by him to the association or otherwise owing by the association to him or of remuneration to any officers or servants of the association or to any member of the association or other person in return for any services actually rendered to the association provided further that nothing herein contained shall be construed so as to prevent the payment or repayment to any member of out of pocket expenses, money lent, reasonable and proper charges for goods hired by the association or reasonable and proper charges for goods hired by the association or reasonable and proper rent for premises demised or let to the association.

DOCUMENTS

- 29. The Management Committee shall provide for the safe custody of books, documents, instruments of title and securities of the association.

FINANCIAL YEAR

- 30. The financial year of the association shall close on June 30 in each year.

DISTRIBUTION OF SURPLUS ASSETS

- 31. All properties and assets held by the Management Committee on behalf of the association, and in the event of the association being dissolved or ceasing to exist, or in the event of a winding up of the association, such properties will be sold forthwith and all moneys resulting from such sale shall be transferred as follows:-

As to the twenty-five per centum (25%) of the assets of the association to The Queensland Cancer Fund, as to the fifty per centum (50%) of such assets to the Society of

Macedonian Studies of Salonika, Greece, and as to the remaining balance of twenty-five (25%) of such assets to any charitable institutions or associations approved by the majority of members present at a special general meeting specifically convened for such purpose.

DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION

32. (a) The association shall only be dissolved or cease to exist by a resolution passed by a general meeting of the members of the association especially called for such purpose, provided that such resolution shall be supported by at least not less than five sixths of the number of the existing financial members of the association.
- (b) Existing financial members of the association comprising in number the one fifth of the total number of the financial members may at any time make an application for an investigation of the affairs of the association for the purposes of the winding up of the same.

BANNER AND PATRON SAINT

33. The banner of the association shall bear in its centre a bust of Alexander the Great.

The Patron Saint of the association shall be Saint Demetrios and the 26th day of October of each year shall be the official holiday of the association and a special service shall be held at the Greek Orthodox Church of Saint George in Brisbane, the preparation and the details of which shall be made by the Management Committee.

ENACTMENT OF CONSTITUTION

34. This constitution as now enacted cancels all previous constitutions of the Pan-Macedonian Greek Brotherhood of Queensland "Alexander the Great".

REGISTERED OFFICE

35. The registered office of the Association shall be situated at 18 Grimsby Street, The Gap, 4061, Brisbane in the State of Queensland.