# AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TRANSACTION COORDINATORS**

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A **California** Mutual Benefit Corporation

# ARTICLE 1 OFFICES

**SECTION 1. PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The National Association of Transaction Coordinators is incorporated under the laws of the State of California. The principal office shall be located at 9643 Cecilwood Dr. Santee, CA 02971. Such other places as may, from time to time, be selected by a vote of the Board of Directors.

**SECTION 2. CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

The county of the corporation’s principal office can be changed only by amendment of these Bylaws and not otherwise. The Board of Directors may, however, change the principal office from one location to another by noting the changed address and effect such changes of address change shall be deemed by an amendment of these Bylaws.

**SECTION 3. OTHER OFFICES**

The corporation may also have offices at such other places, within or without the State of **California**, where it is qualified to do business, as its business may require and as the Board of Directors may, from time to time, designate.

# ARTICLE 2 PURPOSES

**SECTION 1. PURPOSE**

The primary purpose of this corporation shall be:

# This is a professional organization for Real Estate Transaction Coordinators and Real Estate assistants to find education and support.

**SECTION 2. NONPROFIT LIMITATIONS**

1. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively to promote the common business interest of its members within the meaning of Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code.
2. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code.
3. No substantial activities of the organization shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.



The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to promoting the common business interests of our members and no part of the net income or assets of the organization shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. On the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment of, or provision for payment of, all debts and liabilities of this corporation, shall be distributed to members in good standing within 90 days after dissolution.

# ARTICLE 3 MEMBERS

**SECTION 1. MEMBERS**

Membership in NATC composed of individuals in the real estate transaction support field who have paid the appropriate member fee and agree to comply with policies and procedures. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to establish membership qualifications.

# ARTICLE 4 DIRECTORS

**SECTION 1. NUMBER AND QUALIFICATIONS**

The Board of Directors shall consist of three to nine (3-9) elected officers and directors.

There shall be four (4) officers: President; Vice President; Secretary and Treasurer, who are elected by the board of directors, prescribed in the organization’s policies and procedures. There shall be five (5) regional directors who are elected by the members, as prescribed in the organization’s nominations and elections policies and procedures, Regional Director – Region 1, Regional Director – Region 2, Regional Director – Region 3, Regional Director – Region 4, Regional Director – Region 5. Regional Directors must be members in good standing and must have had at least 2 years in a position that provides real estate transaction support, closing at least 100 transaction a year. Officers are required to meet these qualifications as well as additional qualifications outlined in Article 5, Section 2, Section 6, Section 7, Section 8, and Section 9.

**SECTION 2. POWERS**

Subject to the provisions of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation law, the activities and affairs of this corporation shall be conducted, and all corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the direction of the Board of Directors.

**SECTION 3. DUTIES**

It shall be the duty of the directors to:

1. Perform any and all duties imposed on them collectively or individually by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, or by these Bylaws;
2. Appoint and remove, employ and discharge, and, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, prescribe the duties and fix the compensation, if any, of all officers, agents and employees of the corporation;
3. Supervise all officers, agents and employees of the corporation to assure that their duties are performed properly;
4. Meet at such times and places as required by these Bylaws;
5. Register their addresses, fax numbers, and email addresses with the Secretary of the corporation and notices of meetings mailed, faxed or emailed to them at such addresses shall be valid notices thereof.

**SECTION 4. TERMS OF OFFICE**

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | Each director shall hold office from the time of his or her election for a **term** | | | **of one year** and until the next annual meeting for election of the Board of Directors as | | | specified in these Bylaws, following the expiry of said term of said director and until his | | | or her successor is elected and qualifies. |  | |

**SECTION 5. COMPENSATION**

Directors shall serve without compensation except that they shall be allowed and paid their actual and necessary expenses occurred in attending meetings of the Board of Directors, and notwithstanding the provisions of Article 5, Section 10, of these Bylaws which state, in part, that no officer shall be prevented from receiving such salary by reason of the fact that he or she is also a director of the corporation. In addition, directors shall be allowed reasonable advancement or reimbursement of expenses incurred in the performance of their regular duties as specified in Section 3 of this Article. Directors may not be compensated for rendering services to the corporation in any capacity other than director unless such other compensation is reasonable and is allowable under the provisions of Section 6 of this Article, and Section 10 of Article 5.

**SECTION 6. RESTRICTION REGARDING INTERESTED DIRECTORS**

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, not more than forty-nine percent (49%) of the persons serving on the Board may be interested persons. For the purposes of this Section, "interested persons" means either:

1. Any person currently being compensated by the corporation for services rendered it within the previous twelve (12) months, whether as a full- or part-time officer or other employee, independent contractor, or otherwise, excluding any reasonable compensation paid to a director as director; or
2. Any brother, sister, ancestor, descendant, spouse, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son- in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, or father-in-law of any such person.

**SECTION 7. PLACE OF MEETINGS**

Meetings shall be held at the principal office of the corporation unless otherwise provided by the Board or at such place within or without the State of **California** which has been designated from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such designation, any meeting not held at the principal office of the corporation shall be valid only if held on the written consent of all directors given either before or after the meeting and filed with the Secretary of the corporation or after all Board members have been given written notice of the meeting as hereinafter provided for special meetings of the Board. Any meeting, regular or special, may be held by conference telephone or similar communication so as long as all directors participating in such meeting can hear one another.

**SECTION 8. REGULAR AND ANNUAL MEETINGS**

Regular meetings of Directors shall be held **annually** at the principal office of the corporation or as otherwise designated by the Board of Directors, unless such day falls on a legal holiday, in which event the regular meeting shall be held at the same hour and place on the next business day.

At the annual meeting of directors held by **the third weekend in January** at the principal office of the corporation or at such other place as designated by the Board of Directors, directors shall be elected by the Board of Directors in accordance with this section.

Cumulative voting by directors for the election of directors shall not be permitted. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes up to the number of directors to be elected shall be elected. Each director shall cast one vote, with voting being by ballot only.

**SECTION 9. SPECIAL MEETINGS**

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the Chairperson of the Board, the President, the Vice President, the Secretary, or by any two directors, and such meetings shall be held at the place, within or without the State of **California**, designated by the person or persons calling the meeting, and in the absence of such designation, at the principal office of the corporation.

**SECTION 10. NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

Regular meetings of the Board may be held without notice. Special meetings of the Board shall be held upon forty-eight (48) hours’ notice delivered personally or by fax or email.

If delivered by fax, the notice shall be deemed to be delivered upon the sender’s receipt of a confirmation report printed or displayed by the sender’s fax machine. If delivered by email, the notice shall be deemed to be delivered immediately upon the sender’s execution of the delivery. Such notices shall be addressed to each director at his or her mailing address, fax number or email address as shown on the books of the corporation.

Notice of the time and place of holding an adjourned meeting need not be given to absent directors if the time and place of the adjourned meeting are fixed at the meeting adjourned and if such adjourned meeting is held no more than twenty-four (24) hours from the time of the original meeting. Notice shall be given of any adjourned regular or special meeting to directors absent from the original meeting if the adjourned meeting is held more than twenty-four (24) hours from the time of the original meeting.

**SECTION 11. CONTENTS OF NOTICE**

Notice of meetings not herein dispensed with shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting. The purpose of any Board meeting need not be specified in the notice.

**SECTION 12. WAIVER OF NOTICE AND CONSENT TO HOLDING MEETINGS**

The transactions of any meeting of the Board, however called and noticed or wherever held, are as valid as though the meeting had been duly held after proper call and notice, provided a quorum, as hereinafter defined, is present and provided that either before or after the meeting each director not present signs a waiver of notice, a consent to holding the meeting, or an approval of the minutes thereof. And such waivers, consents, or approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

**SECTION 13. QUORUM FOR MEETINGS**

A quorum shall consist of 75% (seventy-five percent) of the then-acting Board of Directors. Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws or in the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, or by law, no business shall be considered by the Board at any meeting at which a quorum, as hereinafter defined, is not present, and the only motion which the Chair shall entertain at such meeting is a motion to adjourn. However, a majority of the directors present at such meeting may adjourn and set another meeting before time fixed for the next regular meeting of the Board.

When a meeting is adjourned for lack of a quorum, it shall not be necessary to give any notice of the time and place of the adjourned meeting or of the business to be transacted at such next meeting, other than by announcement at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, except as provided in Section 10 of this Article.

The directors present at a duly called and held meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to do business notwithstanding the loss of a quorum at the meeting due to a withdrawal of directors from the meeting, provided that any action thereafter taken must be approved by at least a majority of the required quorum for such meeting or such greater percentage as may be required by law, or the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of this corporation.

**SECTION 14. MAJORITY ACTION AS BOARD ACTION**

Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present at a meeting duly held at which a quorum is present is the act of the Board of Directors, unless the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of this corporation, or provisions of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law, particularly those provisions relating to appointment of committees (Section 5212), approval of contracts or transactions in which a director has a material financial interest (Section 5233) and indemnification of directors (Section 5238e), require a greater percentage or different voting rules for approval of a matter by the Board.

**SECTION 15. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS**

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Board, or, if no such person has been so designated or, in his or her absence, the President of the corporation or, in his or her absence, by the Vice President of the corporation or, in the absence of each of these persons, by a Chairperson chosen by a majority of the directors present at the meeting.

The Secretary of the corporation shall act as secretary of all meetings of the Board, provided that, in his or her absence, the presiding officer shall appoint another person to act as Secretary of the Meeting.

Meetings shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order, as such rules may be revised from time to time, insofar as such rules are not inconsistent with or in conflict with these Bylaws, with the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, or with provisions of law.

**SECTION 16. ACTION BY UNANIMOUS WRITTEN CONSENT WITHOUT MEETING**

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the Board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. For the purposes of this Section only, “all members of the Board” shall not include any “interested director” as defined in Section 5233 of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board. Such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as the unanimous vote of the directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors without a meeting and that the Bylaws of this corporation authorize the directors to so act, and such statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

**SECTION 17. VACANCIES**

Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall exist (1) on the death, resignation or removal of any director, and (2) whenever the number of authorized directors is increased.

The Board of Directors may declare vacant the office of a director who has been declared of unsound mind by a final order of court, or convicted of a felony, or been found by a final order or judgment of any court to have breached any duty under Section 5230 and following of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law. Directors may be removed without cause by a majority of the directors then in office.

Any director may resign effective upon giving written notice to the Chairperson of the Board, the President, the Secretary, or the Board of Directors, unless the notice specifies a later time for the effectiveness of such resignation. No director may resign if the corporation would then be left without a duly elected director or directors in charge of its affairs, except upon notice to the Attorney General.

Vacancies on the Board may be filled by approval of the Board or, if the number of directors then in office is less than a quorum, by (1) the unanimous written consent of the directors then in office, (2) the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office at a meeting held pursuant to notice or waivers of notice complying with this Article of these Bylaws, or (3) a sole remaining director.

A person elected to fill a vacancy as provided by this Section shall hold office until the next election of the Board of Directors or until his or her death, resignation or removal from office.

**SECTION 18. NON-LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS**

The directors shall not be personally liable for the debts, liabilities, or other obligations of the corporation.

**SECTION 19. INDEMNIFICATION BY CORPORATION OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND OTHER AGENTS**

To the extent that a person who is, or was, a director, officer, employee or other agent of this corporation has been successful on the merits in defense of any civil, criminal, administrative or investigative proceeding brought to procure a judgment against such person by reason of the fact that he or she is, or was, an agent of the corporation, or has been successful in defense of any claim, issue or matter, therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such proceeding.

If such person either settles any such claim or sustains a judgment against him or her, then indemnification against expenses, judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts reasonably incurred in connection with such proceedings shall be provided by this corporation but only to the extent allowed by, and in accordance with the requirements of, Section 5238 of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law.

**SECTION 20. INSURANCE FOR CORPORATE AGENTS**

The Board of Directors may adopt a resolution authorizing the purchase and maintenance of insurance on behalf of any agent of the corporation (including a director, officer, employee or other agent of the corporation) against any liability other than for violating provisions of law relating to self-dealing (Section 5233 of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law) asserted against or incurred by the agent in such capacity or arising out of the agent’s status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify the agent against such liability under the provisions of Section 5238 of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law.

# ARTICLE 5 OFFICERS

**SECTION 1. NUMBER OF OFFICERS**

The officers of the corporation shall be a President, who will serve as the Chair of the Board of Directors, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Officers of the Corporation shall constitute the Executive Committee.

**SECTION 2. QUALIFICATION, ELECTION, AND TERM OF OFFICE**

Officers of the Corporation shall be elected by the Board of Directors annually for a term of one year, with a limit of two for each position. Each officer must meet the qualifications of the directors as prescribed in Article 4, Section 1, as well as additional requirements outlined in Article 5, Section 6, Section 7, Section 8, and Section 9.

**SECTION 3. SUBORDINATE OFFICERS**

The Board of Directors may appoint such other officers or agents as it may deem desirable, and such officers shall serve such terms, have such authority, and perform such duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

**SECTION 4. REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION**

Any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by the Board of Directors, at any time. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors or to the President or Secretary of the corporation. Any such resignation shall take effect at the date of receipt of such notice or at any later date specified therein, and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. The above provisions of this Section shall be superseded by any conflicting terms of a contract which has been approved or ratified by the Board of Directors relating to the employment of any officer of the corporation.

**SECTION 5. VACANCIES**

Any vacancy caused by the death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise, of any officer shall be filled by the Board of Directors. In the event of a vacancy in any office other than that of President, such vacancy may be filled temporarily by appointment by the President until such time as the Board shall fill the vacancy. Vacancies occurring in offices of officers appointed at the discretion of the Board may or may not be filled as the Board shall determine.

**SECTION 6. DUTIES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF PRESIDENT**

The President shall be responsible for conducting the business of the Association and shall preside at all meetings and shall be a member ex-officio on all committees. He/she shall appoint all committee Chair with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint all Ad Hoc committees, and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of President. The President shall make interim appointments to fill vacancies of office when no other specific procedure is provided by these Bylaws. The President shall be Chair of the Executive Committee. The President must:

* have at least 2 years of experience in a position that provides real estate transaction support;
* close at least 100 transaction a year;
* served as an Officer for at least one (1) term in the past two (2) years

**SECTION 7. DUTIES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF VICE PRESIDENT**

In the absence of the President, or in the event of his or her inability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of, and be subject to all the restrictions on, the President. The Vice President shall have other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws, or as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors. The Vice President must:

* have at least 2 years of experience in a position that provides real estate transaction support;
* close at least 100 transaction a year;
* served as a Regional Director for at least one (1) term in the past two (2) years

**SECTION 8. DUTIES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF SECRETARY**

The Secretary shall:

* Certify and keep at the principal office of the corporation the original, or a copy of these Bylaws as amended or otherwise altered to date;
* Keep at the principal office of the corporation or at such other place as the Board may determine, a book of minutes of all meetings of the directors, and, if applicable, meetings of committees of directors, recording therein the time and place of holding, whether regular or special, how called, how notice thereof was given, the names of those present or represented at the meeting, and the proceedings thereof.
* See that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law;
* Be custodian of the records and of the seal of the corporation and see that the seal is affixed to all duly executed documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is authorized by law or these Bylaws;
* Exhibit at all reasonable times to any director of the corporation, or to his or her agent or attorney, on request therefore, the Bylaws, and the minutes of the proceedings of the directors of the corporation;
* In general, perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board of Directors.
* The Secretary must:
  + have at least 2 years of experience in a position that provides real estate transaction support;
  + close at least 100 transaction a year;
  + served as a Regional Director for at least one (1) term in the past two (2) years

**SECTION 9. DUTIES OF TREASURER**

Subject to the provision of these Bylaws relating to the “Execution of Instruments, Deposits and Funds,” the Treasurer shall:

* Have charge and custody of, and be responsible for, all funds and securities of the corporation, and deposit all such funds in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected by the Board of Directors;
* Receive, and give receipt for, monies due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever;
* Disburse, or cause to be disbursed, the funds of the corporation as may be directed by the Board of Directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements;
* Keep and maintain adequate and correct accounts of the corporation’s properties and business transactions, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains and losses;
* Exhibit at all reasonable times the books of account and financial records to any director of the corporation, or to his or her agent or attorney, on request therefore;
* Render to the President and directors, whenever requested, an account of any or all of his or her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the corporation;
* Prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify, or cause to be certified, the financial statements to be included in any required reports.
* In general, perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board of Directors.
* The Treasurer must:
  + have at least 2 years of experience in a position that provides real estate transaction support;
  + close at least 100 transaction a year;
  + served as a Regional Director for at least one (1) term in the past two (2) years

**SECTION 10. COMPENSATION**

Notwithstanding directors who also serve as officers, directors shall serve without compensation.

**SECTION 11. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The Executive Director of NATC shall be ex-officio director and shall not be entitled to vote. Should the position of Executive Director be vacant, the person designated to serve as interim Executive Director may temporarily fill this seat on the Board of Directors until such time as a new Executive Director is hired, provided that such interim Executive Director is not already serving on the Board of Directors. The Executive Director’s term on the Board of Directors shall be equivalent to his or her term of employment as Executive Director.

# ARTICLE 6

# NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

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**Section 1. Nominations Committee**

1. Prior to each annual conference of the Association, the Executive Committee shall appoint an NATC Nominations and Elections Committee, no one of whom shall be a member of the Board.
2. Such committee shall facilitate the annual elections, as prescribed in the Association’s Nominations and Elections Policies and Procedures.

**Section 3. Regional Director Nominations and Elections**

1. Members of the Association will receive a ballot for the Regional Directors nominees at least two weeks prior to the set election date.
2. Nominations for Regional Directors determined as herein provided shall be placed before the members of the Association on a ballot which shall be prepared under the direction of the Nominations Committee, per the Nominations and Elections Policies and Procedures.
3. Regional Director elections will take place at the Association’s Annual Meeting.

**Section 4. Officer Nominations and Elections**

1. The Nominations and Elections Committee shall have charge of the conduct of the regular elections of the Association’s Officers.
2. The Nominations and Elections Committee shall provide the current Board of Directors with a slate of candidates to be elected on by the Board of Directors.

**Section 5. Election Results**

1. For each office the candidate receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected and shall be so reported to the Association by the Nominations and Elections Committee on Election. In the case of a tie vote the successful candidate shall be determined by lot conducted by the Nominations and Elections Committee.
2. In the event that a candidate for election withdraws from or is unable to continue his or her candidacy in the period between the distribution of ballots and the reporting of election results, the votes for that candidate shall be ignored.

# ARTICLE 7

# COMMITTEES

**SECTION 1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Officers of this corporation constitute an Executive Committee. and have the powers and authority of the Board in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, except with respect to:

1. The filling of vacancies on the Board or any committee which has the authority of the Board;
2. The fixing of compensation of the directors for serving on the Board or on any committee;
3. The amendment or repeal of Bylaws or the adoption of new Bylaws;
4. The amendment or repeal of any resolution of the Board which by its express terms is not so amendable or repealable;
5. The appointment of committees of the Board or the members thereof;
6. The expenditure of corporate funds to support a nominee for director after there are more people nominated for director than can be elected;
7. The approval of any transaction to which this corporation is a party and in which one or more of the directors has a material financial interest, except as expressly provided in Section 5233(d)(3) of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law;

By a majority vote of its members then in office, the Board may at any time revoke or modify any or all of the authority so delegated, increase or decrease but not below two (2) the number of its members, and fill vacancies therein from the members of the Board. The Committee shall keep regular minutes of its proceedings, cause them to be filed with the corporate records, and report the same to the Board from time to time as the Board may require.

**SECTION 2. OTHER COMMITTEES**

The corporation shall have such other committees as may from time to time be designated by resolution of the Board of Directors. Such other committees may consist of persons who are not also members of the Board. These additional committees shall act in an advisory capacity only.

**SECTION 3. MEETINGS AND ACTION OF COMMITTEES**

Meetings and action of committees shall be governed by, noticed, held and taken in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws concerning meetings of the Board of Directors, with such changes in the context of such Bylaw provisions as are necessary to substitute the committee and its members for the Board of Directors and its members, except that the time for regular meetings of committees may be fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors or by the committee. The time for special meetings of committees may also be fixed by the Board of Directors or by the committee. The Board of Directors may also adopt rules and regulations pertaining to the conduct of meetings of committees to the extent that such rules and regulations are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Bylaws.

# ARTICLE 8

**EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS**

**SECTION 1. EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS**

The Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, may by resolution authorize any officer or agent of the corporation to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Unless so authorized, no officer, agent, or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the corporation by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable monetarily for any purpose or in any amount.

**SECTION 2. CHECKS AND NOTES**

Except as otherwise specifically determined by resolution of the Board of Directors, or as otherwise required by law, checks, drafts, promissory notes, orders for the payment of money, and other evidence of indebtedness of the corporation shall be signed by the any officers of the corporation.

**SECTION 3. DEPOSITS**

All funds of the corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

**SECTION 4. GIFTS**

The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or device for the charitable or public purposes of this corporation.

# ARTICLE 9

**CORPORATE RECORDS, REPORTS AND SEAL**

**SECTION 1. MAINTENANCE OF CORPORATE RECORDS**

The corporation shall keep at its principal office in the State of **California**:

1. Minutes of all meetings of directors and committees of the Board, indicating the time and place of holding such meetings, whether regular or special, how called, the notice given, the names of those present and the proceedings thereof;
2. Adequate and correct books and records of account, including accounts of its properties and business transactions and accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains and losses;
3. A copy of the corporation’s Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws as amended to date, which shall be open to inspection by the public at all reasonable times during office hours.

**SECTION 2. CORPORATE SEAL**

The Board of Directors may adopt, use, and at will alter, a corporate seal. Such seal shall be kept at the principal office of the corporation. Failure to affix the seal to corporate instruments, however, shall not affect the validity of any such instrument.

**SECTION 3. DIRECTORS’ INSPECTION RIGHTS**

Every director shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect and copy all books, records and documents of every kind and to inspect the physical properties of the corporation.

**SECTION 4. RIGHT TO COPY AND MAKE EXTRACTS**

Any inspection under the provisions of this Article may be made in person or by agent or attorney and the right to inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts.

**SECTION 5. ANNUAL REPORT**

The Board shall cause an annual report to be furnished not later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the close of the corporation’s fiscal year to all directors of the corporation, which report shall contain the following information in appropriate detail:

1. The assets and liabilities, including the trust funds, of the corporation as of the end of the fiscal year;
2. The principal changes in assets and liabilities, including trust funds, during the fiscal year;
3. The revenue or receipts of the corporation, both unrestricted and restricted to particular purposes, for the fiscal year;
4. The expenses or disbursements of the corporation, for both general and restricted purposes, during the fiscal year.

The annual report shall be accompanied by any report thereon of independent accountants, or, if there is no such report, the certificate of an authorized officer of the corporation that such statements were prepared without audit from the books and records of the corporation.

**SECTION 6. ANNUAL STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC TRANSACTIONS TO DIRECTORS**

This corporation shall mail or deliver to all directors a statement within one hundred and twenty (120) days after the close of its fiscal year which briefly describes the amount and circumstances of any indemnification or transaction of the following kind:

1. Any transaction in which the corporation, or its parent or its subsidiary, was a party, and in which either of the following had a direct or indirect material financial interest:
   1. Any director or officer of the corporation, or its parent or subsidiary (a mere common directorship shall not be considered a material financial interest); or
   2. Any holder of more than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of the corporation, its parent or its subsidiary.

The above statement need only be provided with respect to a transaction during the previous fiscal year involving more than FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($50,000) or which was one of a number of transactions with the same persons involving, in the aggregate, more than FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($50,000).

Similarly, the statement need only be provided with respect to indemnifications or advances aggregating more than TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($10,000) paid during the previous fiscal year to any director or officer, except that no such statement need be made if such indemnification was approved by the directors pursuant to Section 5238(e) (2) of the **California** Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law. Any statement required by this Section shall briefly describe the names of the interested persons involved in such transactions, stating each person’s relationship to the corporation, the nature of such person’s interest in the transaction and, where practical, the amount of such interest, provided that in the case of a transaction with a partnership of which such person is a partner, only the interest of the partnership need be stated.

# ARTICLE 10

# FISCAL YEAR

**SECTION 1. FISCAL YEAR OF THE CORPORATION**

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the **first day in the month of July** and end on **the 30th day of June** in each year.

# ARTICLE 11

**AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS AND OF ARTICLES**

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT**

Any amendment of the Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by the approval of the Board. These Bylaws may also be amended or repealed by the approval of the Board.

# ARTICLE 12

**PROHIBITION AGAINST SHARING CORPORATE PROFITS AND ASSETS**

**SECTION 1. PROHIBITION AGAINST SHARING CORPORATE PROFITS AND ASSETS**

No director, officer, employee, or other person connected with this corporation, or any private individual, shall receive at any time any of the net earnings or pecuniary profit from the operations of the corporation, provided, however, that this provision shall not prevent payment to any such person of reasonable compensation for services performed for the corporation in effecting any of its public or charitable purposes, provided that such compensation is otherwise permitted by these Bylaws and is fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors; and no such person or persons shall be entitled to share in the distribution of, and shall not receive, any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation.

# ARTICLE 13

# CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY

**SECTION 1. PURPOSE**

The purpose of the conflict of interest policy is to protect this tax-exempt corporation’s (Organization) interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the Organization or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable organizations.

**SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS**

1. Interested Person

Any director, principal officer, or member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.

1. A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:
   1. An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement,
   2. A compensation arrangement with the Organization or with any entity or individual with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement, or
   3. A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Organization is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Section 3, part b, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

**SECTION 3. PROCEDURES**

1. Duty to Disclose

In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.

1. Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists

After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.

1. Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest
   1. An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
   2. The chairperson of the governing board or committee shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
   3. After exercising due diligence, the governing board or committee shall determine whether the Organization can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
   4. If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the governing board or committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the Organization’s best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination it shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement.
2. Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy
   1. If the governing board or committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
   2. If, after hearing the member’s response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

**SECTION 4. RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS**

The minutes of the governing board and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain:

1. The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the governing board’s or committee’s decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.
2. The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

**SECTION 5. COMPENSATION**

1. A voting member of the governing board who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member’s compensation.
2. A voting member of any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member’s compensation.
3. No voting member of the governing board or any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization, either individually or collectively, is prohibited from providing information to any committee regarding compensation.

SECTION 6. ANNUAL STATEMENTS

Each director, principal officer and member of a committee with governing board delegated powers shall annually sign a statement which affirms such person:

1. Has received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy,
2. Has read and understands the policy,
3. Has agreed to comply with the policy, and
4. Understands the Organization is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

**SECTION 7. PERIODIC REVIEWS**

To ensure the Organization operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects:

1. Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information, and the resutlt of arm’s length bargaining.
2. Whether partnerships, joint ventures, and arrangements with management organizations conform to the Organization’s written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further charitable purposes and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit or in an excess benefit transaction.

**SECTION 8. USE OF OUTSIDE EXPERTS**

When conducting the periodic reviews as provided for in Section 7, the Organization may, but need not, use outside advisors. If outside experts are used, their use shall not relieve the governing board of its responsibility for ensuring periodic reviews are conducted.

# CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION OF AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TRANSACTION COORDINATORS**

ADOPTION BY DIRECTORS

The undersigned duly elected Directors of the above-named corporation, hereby repeal any and all prior versions of the Bylaws of said corporation and hereby adopt these Amended and Restated Bylaws as the Bylaws of said corporation.

Executed on: March 13, 2019

Name: Signature:

Wendi Molina, President

Mandy Troutman, Vice President

Holli Serwe, Treasurer

Kris Schneider, Secretary

Liz Sweeney, Director – Region 1

Ashley Schendel, Director – Region 2

Alex Marsolais, Director – Region 3

Brandy Chase, Director – Region 4

Jen Stalcup, Director – Region 5

# CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

**OF ADOPTION OF AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF**

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TRANSACTION COORDINATORS**

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

That I am the duly elected, qualified and acting Secretary of the above-named corporation, that the foregoing Amended and Restated Bylaws were adopted as the Bylaws of said corporation on the date set forth above by the person named as Secretary of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal on March 13, 2019.

Kris Schneider, Secretary