<u>Constitution</u> <u>of the</u> <u>Houston Philatelic Society</u> <u>Houston, Texas</u>

ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1.

This organization shall be known as the **Houston Philatelic Society** and shall hereinafter in this constitution and its bylaws be referred to as the **HPS**.

Section 2.

It shall be the purpose of the HPS to encourage the advancement of philately in all its forms by promoting philatelic knowledge, enjoyment, and fellowship.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP:

Any person of good character, eighteen years of age or older, is eligible for adult membership in the HPS. Each adult member in good standing is entitled to one vote in each matter submitted to a vote of the membership.

Any person of good character, less than eighteen years of age, is eligible for youth membership in the HPS.

Section 2. The Bylaws of the HPS shall provide such regulations as are necessary relating to dues, expenses, meetings, and changes in the status of individual members including revocation of membership.

- Section 1. The Officers of the HPS shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Immediate Past-President.
- Section 2. The Bylaws of the HPS shall provide for the duties of each officer, the terms of office, their election to office, the filling of vacancies, and the removal of officers.

ARTICLE IV: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Section 1. The Board of Directors of the HPS shall consist of six (6) Directors, plus the five Officers.
- Section 2. The Bylaws of the HPS shall provide for the <u>duties</u> of the Board, the terms of office, elections, meetings, what constitutes a quorum, the filling of vacancies, and the removal of directors.

ARTICLE V: AMENDMENTS

- Section 1. These Articles can be amended by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast by all members in good standing.
- Section 2. Motions to amend these Articles can originate from either:

A majority vote of the Officers and Directors OR

A petition submitted in writing signed by ten (10) members of the HPS in good standing.

ARTICLE VI: DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution of the HPS, and after the discharge of all of its liabilities, the remaining assets shall be donated to a philatelic-related organization determined by a majority vote of the Officers and Directors.

Approved by the majority vote of HPS voters: November 15, 2022

Effective: March 11, 2023