

Austro-Hungarian Sick United Verein

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Became Chicago Covenant Aid Society

Record #15

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(orig Oesterreich-Ungarischer Kranken Unterstetzung Verein)

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CHICAGO COVENANT AID SOCIETY

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AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN SICK UNITED VEREIN  
TO  
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2\*. By-laws

3\*. NAMES ON INCORPORATION PAPERS

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AUSTRO - HUNGARIAN SICK UNITED VEREIN

OESTERREICH - UNGARISCHER KRANKEN UNTERSTETZUNG VEREIN.  
changed to Chicago Covenant Aid Society on 11/18/1939.

(SEE ARTICLE FROM 1917 BLUE Book.

Rewrite as new introduction.

Charter members

At the time of incorporation the Charter members were,

David Roth Ab. Rosenkranz  
Julius Roseth Joseph Korn  
Jos. Michael A. Trussner

Louis Taub  
J. Gossleib  
Jacob Spielberg

① organized April 3, 1885

② Incorp. May 13, 1885

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BY-LAWS  
of  
CHICAGO COVENANT  
AID SOCIETY

of  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

CHICAGO COVENANT  
AID SOCIETY

Organized May 13th, 1885

CHICAGO COVENANT  
AID SOCIETY

Chicago, 1940

ARTICLE I

Name and Organization

Section 1. This society shall be known as Chicago Covenant Aid Society (adopted January 18, 1939), organized as Oesterreich-Ungarischer Kranken Unterstuetzungs Verein, organized May 13, 1885.

ARTICLE II

Object

Section 1. The object of this society is:

- (a) To visit and provide benefits for its sick members when they are thereby incapacitated from attending their usual vocation.
- (b) To provide for the poor and homeless orphans of its members.
- (c) To furnish to members and members of their families or those dependent upon them, burial plots.
- (d) To enforce attendance at the funeral of a member.
- (e) To assist its members in distress.
- (f) To promote social intercourse among its members.
- (g) To own and maintain a cemetery.

ARTICLE III

Language

Section 1. The proceedings and records of this society shall be conducted in the English language.

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Was the original in German?

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## ARTICLE IV

## Meetings

Section 1. The meetings of the society shall be held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 7:30 o'clock P.M., at such place in Chicago, Illinois, as the society may from time to time decide upon. Said meetings may be called in accordance with the usual parliamentary rules. The meetings on the first Wednesday in the months of April, July and October shall be known as quarterly meetings. The meeting on the first Wednesday in January shall be known as the annual meeting, a written notice whereof shall be given to all members.

## NOTE

Sec. 2. No business other than routine or ~~business~~ may be transacted at the second meeting in each month. Said meetings shall be known as monthly social meetings and shall be devoted to the entertainment of the members, and if agreeable to the society, of the friends of the members. For such meetings, appropriate programs shall be prepared by the entertainment committee and all members shall be notified of each social meeting; provided, however, that there shall be no social meetings during the months of July and August.

## ARTICLE V

Section 1. The officers of this society shall consist of the following, none of whom shall be eligible to hold more than one elective office at the same time: (Adopted July 5, 1939.)

1. President.
2. Vice-President.
3. Treasurer.
4. Recording Secretary.
5. Financial Secretary.
6. Conductor.
7. Inner Guard.
8. Five Trustees,

## NOTE

Sec. 2. Nominations of all officers and trustees shall be held annually at either or both meetings in the month of November. Every member in good standing for at least six months prior to the election is eligible to any office, provided, however, that no member not present at the meeting shall be nominated unless he shall have signified his acceptance for the office in writing; no member accepting a nomination at the time thereof shall be permitted to decline thereafter.

Sec. 3. Election of all officers and trustees shall take place on the first regular meeting in the month of December by secret ballot. No nominations for office shall be entertained at time of election unless a vacancy exists for want of a candidate. Officers and trustees so elected shall hold office for one year or until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified (adopted Oct. 19, 1938).

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the chairman of trustees to safely keep all of the property and valuables of the society (except its funds) entrusted to his care, in a safety deposit vault, access to which shall be had only jointly by the Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Trustees (adopted Jan. 4,

## NOTE

MONTHLY SOCIAL MEETING.

*Article II Meeting 2. Second meeting of the month is a Social meeting.*

*Article I Let the officers  
nominate, elect and determine their offices for one year. (Adopted 07/05/1939)*

*Sec. 1 Let the officers for one year. (Adopted 01/04/1939)*

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& secretary of the Es-  
Brd - bonding.*

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1938), which property and valuables he shall turn over and deliver intact, except as is otherwise disposed of by the action of the society, to his duly elected and qualified successor. It shall be the duty of the trustees to approve the bonds of all newly elected officers, to audit all bills against the society; to execute all necessary documents and contracts on behalf of the society, except as otherwise provided by its laws, and to act as an executive committee for the society to carry out all acts not otherwise provided for. *The trustees so elected shall on the evening of such election, elect by a majority vote from among their numbers, a chairman and secretary respectively; said chairman to be bonded at the expense of the society by a reliable surety company conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties, in such a sum as the society shall determine prior to his taking office. Said bond shall be furnished and approved on the evening of and prior to the installation of officers. The chairman of the trustees shall produce all of the property of the society in his possession to the finance committee at the time of audit provided in these by-laws.*

*[Signed October 19, 1938.]*

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the recording secretary at the time of and prior to the election of officers and trustees to furnish each member on his roll and present, with a printed ballot containing the names of all nominees for office. The election shall be held under the supervision of three tellers appointed by the president in conjunction

with the recording secretary, under such rules and regulations as the society may from time to time determine.

Sec. 6. All officers shall serve without salary except the treasurer and financial and recording secretaries whose salaries shall be determined before their election, and if not so determined, shall be the same as during the prior term.

Sec. 7. Installation of all officers and trustees shall take place in the month of January, but no officer or trustee shall be installed into office unless he shall have cleared himself of all indebtedness to the society. The office of any officer or trustee elect, failing to appear for installation at said meeting or at the next regular meeting succeeding the same, shall at such subsequent meeting be declared vacant, whereupon the society shall immediately proceed to nominate, elect and install a successor for such vacancy. Such an election may be held at any time during the year when the vacancy occurs.

Sec. 8. Immediately upon his installation, the president shall appoint the following committees:

(a) Committee on Finance, consisting of five members, whose duty it shall be to audit the books of the society semi-annually in June and December of each year and to perform such other duties as the society may from time to time impose upon it.

(b) Cemetery Committee, consisting of five members, whose duty it shall be to control and manage the cemetery of the society in accordance with Article XII of these laws.

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*No salary.*

*Installation.*

*President app'nt  
Committee.*

1. Finance
2. Cemetery
3. Law
4. - as the president  
deems necessary.

(c) Law Committee, consisting of five members, whose duty it shall be to prepare changes in the laws from time to time and to act upon all recommendations and matters in connection with the laws referred to it and to report upon all matters referred to it at the meeting following such reference unless otherwise ordered.

(d) And such other committees as may from time to time be required in the conduct of the business of the society.

All reports of committees shall be in writing.

Sec. 9. PRESIDENT—It shall be the duty of the president to preside and maintain order at all meetings, to sign all vouchers ordered by the society and to hold in his possession the bonds of the chairman of trustees and to perform such other and further duties as usually pertain to such office.

Sec. 10. VICE-PRESIDENT — It shall be the duty of the vice-president to assist the president in maintaining order and to preside in his place and perform his duties during any temporary absence; and in the event of the death, resignation or inability of the president to act, to succeed him in the office of president.

Sec. 11. RECORDING SECRETARY —It shall be the duty of the recording secretary to keep a correct record of the proceedings of the society; to attend to all of its correspondence, official communications and notifications; to keep a correct record of all incomes and disbursements and a correct account of the funds of the society, to

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receive reports of cases of sickness and distress; to order a committee of seven residing in the immediate vicinity of a sick member to visit and report immediately on such case; to read such reports at the following meeting and keep a correct record of the committee on sick, and to perform such other secretarial duties as the society may from time to time require; and at the close of his term, to deliver all books, papers and other property of the society in his possession to his duly qualified successor.

#### Sec. 12. FINANCIAL SECRETARY—

(a) The financial secretary shall be bonded at the expense of the society by a surety company, conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties, in such a sum as the society shall determine on the night of election prior to his election.

(b) It shall be the duty of the financial secretary to receive and officially receipt for, all moneys by him received and to deliver the same to the treasurer; to keep a true account between the society and its members; to send quarterly statements of indebtedness to all members; to furnish quarterly reports of the financial standing of the society; to submit a correct list of delinquent members at every quarterly meeting or at any other time required by the society.

Sec. 13. PAYMENTS—Payments to the society, wherever mentioned in these laws, shall be considered valid only when made to the financial secretary; and no member or officer of the society shall be considered as the agent thereof for the purpose of receiving

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or receiving for money for the society, except the financial secretary, and no money paid to any person other than the financial secretary shall be considered as having been paid to the society. All payments made to the financial secretary between meetings shall not be considered as having been paid to the society until the meeting following such payment.

Sec. 14. TREASURER.—(a) The treasurer shall be bonded at the expense of the society by a surety company, conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties, in such a sum as the society shall determine on the night of election prior to his election.

(b) It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all moneys from the financial secretary at each meeting of the society, giving his receipt therefor; to pay all vouchers ordered by the society, when signed by the president and recording secretary; to keep correct books of account of the income and disbursements of the society which, together with all vouchers or records in his possession, shall be subject to investigation by the Board of Trustees or the Finance Committee at the direction of the society at any time. It shall be his duty to immediately deposit all moneys of the society, received by him, in an account in the name of the society in a bank designated by the society, subject to the check of the treasurer and to the countersignature of the president or the recording secretary or both, as the society may from time to time determine.

Sec. 15. CONDUCTOR—It shall be the  
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duty of the conductor to function at the opening and closing of all meetings and at the initiation of candidates, in accordance with the ritual of the society, and to perform such other duties at and during the session of the meetings as may be required of him by the president.

Sec. 16. (a) SENTON—Whichever it shall appear necessary to the society, there shall be appointed a sexton whose duty it shall be to be present at all meetings of the society and who shall be subject to the orders of the president or of the society. He shall give notice of all deaths to the undertaker, order the grave, direct the death watch, and perform all duties attendant upon the proper interment of all deceased members in accordance with Mosaic laws. He shall receive such compensation and serve for such periods as the society may from time to time determine. *Provided that Reformed Jewish burials may, without the observance of the orthodox Mosaic rites, when requested, be permitted* (adopted March 6, 1935).

(b) WATCHMAN OF THE CEMETERY—Whose duty it shall be to reside in the immediate vicinity of the cemetery of the society and to do such work thereon as may be from time to time required of him, subject to all rules and regulations of the society. It shall be his duty to prevent the exhumation of bodies from or the erecting of tombstones upon the cemetery without the written permit of the society, sealed with its corporate seal and signed by its president. All services performed by the watch-

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man for and on behalf of the society shall be paid for at such rate as the society may from time to time determine, but the society reserves the right to limit the amount of fees and charges of the sexton and watchmen to members of their beneficiaries for services rendered them.

(c) INNER GUARD—It shall be the duty of the inner guard to care for the paraphernalia of the Society, prepare the lodge room for meetings, assist the conductor in opening and closing the meeting, have charge of the inner door, and perform such other duties as the Society may from time to time require. He shall receive as compensation for his services such sum per year as shall be stipulated by the Society before the nomination, and if not then stipulated it shall be the same as during the prior term.

Sec. 17. The society may designate such other and further officers as it may from time to time find necessary for the carrying out of its purposes.

**ARTICLE VI**

**Dues**

Section 1. The dues of this society shall be \$9.00 per annum payable quarterly in advance. Dues of new members shall begin with the month of their initiation and shall be payable in advance to the beginning of the next quarter. *Dues of social or non-beneficial members shall be \$6.00 per annum, payable quarterly in advance. Admission fee for such membership shall be \$5.00 (adopted April 6, 1932).*

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Rate beneficial and  
non-beneficial.*

**ARTICLE VII**  
**Membership**

Section 1. **ELIGIBILITY**—Any male Israelite between the age of 21 and 50 years of good moral character and in good mental and physical health, whose wife, if he is married, is a member of the same faith, and who has been a resident of the United States for at least one year immediately preceding his application for membership, and whose means of obtaining a livelihood is honorable, may become a member of the society, subject to all the laws, rules and regulations thereof, now in force or which may hereafter be enacted. Marriage to a non-Jewess shall terminate his membership in the society.

Sec. 1A. Any male Israelite who is eligible for membership in accordance with Sec. 1, but has exceeded the age limit therein provided, may become a social or non-beneficial member of the society. He shall be exempt from medical examination and shall not be entitled to sick, death, or distress benefits. (Adopted April 6, 1932.)

Sec. 2. **FEES**—The admission fee for membership in this society shall be \$5.00 from the age of 21 to 25 years inclusive, \$8.00 from the age of 26 to 30 years inclusive, \$10.00 from the age of 31 to 35 years inclusive, \$12.50 from the age of 36 to 40 years inclusive, \$15.00 from the age of 41 to 45 years inclusive, and \$50 from the age of 46 to 49 years inclusive, the age in all cases to be computed from the nearest birthday. (Dec., 1924.)

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Sec. 3. PROPOSAL.—Proposals for membership may be made by two members in good standing, vouching for the good character of the applicant. Proposal for membership shall be accompanied by one-half of the admission fee, which proposal for membership shall be read by the secretary, and whereupon the president shall appoint an investigating committee of three, whose duty it shall be to investigate the character and fitness of the candidate for membership in the society. The report of the investigating committee shall be made in writing at the meeting following such appointment, which report shall be signed by a majority of the committee and shall state whether the same is favorable or unfavorable to the candidate. Upon presentation of the report the candidate shall be balloted upon and it shall require three black balls to reject. Upon election of a candidate by ballot, he shall be required to report to the physician of the society for physical and mental examination. Upon receipt by the secretary of a favorable medical certificate from the physician, the applicant shall be notified to present himself for initiation at the next meeting of the society. Should the candidate fail to appear for initiation at any meeting within six weeks after such notification his proposal shall be deemed abandoned and all fees paid by him forfeited to the society.

Sec. 4. REJECTION.—Upon rejection of a candidate by the society by ballot or by the physician upon examination, his proposal fee shall be returned and the proposal cancelled, and no person rejected may apply

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for membership again until six months after such rejection.

Sec. 5. CONDUCT.—Disorderly conduct at the meetings of the society on the part of any member shall subject such member to deprivation of vote or voice at such meeting or to a fine of fifty cents in the discretion of the president.

Sec. 6. FAILURE TO ATTEND.—It shall be the duty of every member to attend the funeral of deceased member.

It shall also be his duty, if appointed, to attend upon the committee of investigation of the sick, and failure to attend such duty or to report thereon to the recording secretary, shall subject him to a fine of fifty cents.

Failure to attend to any other duty imposed upon or assigned to a member, shall subject such member to a fine of fifty cents.

Sec. 7. REINSTATEMENT.—(a) Any member who shall have been suspended for non-payment of dues or other charges to the society may within six months after such suspension apply for reinstatement into membership by filing a written application therefor and depositing therewith a sum of money equal to the amount for which he has been suspended. In the event of reinstatement as hereinafter provided, he shall not be entitled to any benefits until the expiration of six months thereafter, provided, however, that he may be reinstated with full beneficial rights by paying in addition to his indebtedness at the time of his suspension all dues, assessments and other charges assessed

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against the members during the period elapsed from the date of his suspension to the date of his reinstatement.

(b) In all cases of reinstatement, applicant shall be subject to investigation, medical examination and ballot as in cases of original application, provided, however, that it shall require six black balls to reject an applicant for reinstatement, and provided, further, that no medical examination shall be required on application for reinstatement made within thirty days from the date of suspension.

Sec. 8. ARREARS AND DELINQUENCIES—Any member failing to pay his dues and legal charges assessed against him, when due under these laws, shall be considered in arrears, and if such failure shall continue for a period of six months, he shall be notified by *registered mail* (adopted Oct. 18, 1938) to appear at the next regular meeting of the society and show cause why he should not be suspended; whereupon the president shall then inquire in open meeting if there is any reason why such delinquent member shall not be suspended. If no reasonable cause be shown, then he shall be declared suspended, but such suspension shall not become effective until after the close of the meeting. Payment during the meeting shall act to nullify such suspension.

Any member, who at the time of his reported illness or death, shall be in arrears in the payment of dues for the preceding quarter, shall not be entitled to any sick or death benefit for such death or illness. In case of illness he shall not again become entitled to

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sick benefits until four weeks after the payment of all arrearage. (Adopted April 6, 1932.)

Sec. 9. WITHDRAWAL.—Any member desiring to withdraw or resign from the society may do so upon paying all his indebtedness thereto to the date of his resignation, which shall be in open meeting, and filing a statement in writing disclaiming and renouncing any right, title or interest for himself or his beneficiaries in and to any and all rights and benefits to which he or they may be entitled from the society.

Sec. 10. FINES.—All fines imposed upon members, unless relieved from payment thereof by the president, shall be due and payable at the succeeding quarterly meeting in the same manner as the payment of dues or other charges.

#### ARTICLE VIII

##### Benefits

Section 1. For a period not to exceed a maximum of five weeks in any one calendar year, the sum of \$5.00 per week for every full week of illness, shall be paid to any beneficial member who may become ill, subject to the following provisions:

(a) That, such illness be reported to the recording secretary and any sick benefit due shall begin from the receipt of such notice by the recording secretary;

(b) that such member is not in arrears in the payment of his dues for the preceding quarter;

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(c) that such illness shall not have begun while such member is in arrears, nor shall he again become entitled to any sick benefit until four weeks shall have elapsed after his recovery from such illness even though he pays all his arrearage during such illness;

(d) that such member shall have been a beneficial member of this organization for a period not less than six months prior to such illness;

(e) that such member is then employed or engaged in a business or profession, and that such illness disables him from following any or all of his usual business or profession;

(f) that no member shall be entitled to sick benefit whose illness is due to immoral practices or if he is suffering from a chronic or recurring disease or ailment;

(g) that before a member who is a non-resident, or who is ill while absent from the City of Chicago, may receive sick benefit, he shall, in addition to reporting his illness as aforesaid, submit to the recording secretary a certificate of a regularly licensed physician, who shall state of his own knowledge, under oath, the nature and duration of the illness and the period during which said member was disabled. (Adopted Oct. 19, 1938.)

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Sec. 2. DEATH. Upon the death of a member who, at the time of his death, is not in arrears in the payment of dues for the preceding quarter, the society shall pay the sum of \$100.00, (1) to his widow, provided she lived and cohabited with her husband as his wife at the time of said death and for a period of not less than six months

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last past, immediately preceding the same and, if there be no widow, (2) to such members of his family who resided with him and were dependent upon him at the time of his death and if there be none, (3) to such members of his family, blood relations or next of kin, with whom he resided and upon whom he was dependent for support at the time of his death and, if there be none, (4) to help defray the expenses of his funeral. (July 5, 1933.)

Sec. 3. DISTRESS—In the event that a member of the society shall be reported in distress, the president shall immediately appoint a committee of three to investigate the case, which committee shall have the power in their discretion to donate a sum not exceeding \$10.00. They shall report their action and make such recommendations to the society at its next meeting as the case may, in their opinion, warrant, provided, that in the event of extreme emergency, the president may in a case of distress donate on behalf of the society a sum not exceeding \$10.00 without investigation.

#### ARTICLE IX

##### Charges, Trials and Appeals

Section 1. (a) Any member violating the laws of this association, or who shall be guilty of any action unbecoming a member of the society, or who shall have been found guilty of a violation of any of the criminal laws of the State of Illinois or of any other state or of the United States, and who shall have been convicted of such crime may be

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charged in writing of said offense, which charge shall specifically set out the act upon which it is based and which shall be submitted by the president to an investigating committee of five who shall be appointed by him, which committee shall investigate the same and make report in writing of such investigation. If, in the opinion of said committee, there is reasonable ground of the truth of such charges, it shall then and there become the duty of the chairman of said committee to act as prosecutor for the society.

(b) In such event, such charges shall be submitted to a trial board appointed by the president and consisting of five impartial and disinterested members, provided, however, that the prosecutor and the accused or either of them shall have the right to three peremptory challenges of the personnel of said board.

(c) A copy of said charges, together with the date and place of the holding of the trial, as appointed by the board, shall be served on the accused.

Sec. 2. (a) The board shall have the right to summon such witnesses as may be necessary for the prosecution and the defense, and no excuse except sickness or absence from the city shall be valid.

(b) The board may from time to time, if justice demands it, continue the hearing and failure on the part of the prosecutor, the accused, witnesses (if members of the society), or members of the board, to attend, shall subject the absentee to such punishment as the society may impose.

(c) No evidence shall be admitted that is not material to the cause or that may be incompetent or irrelevant. The admissibility of any question or answer thereto or other matter introduced shall be determined by the trial board by majority vote.

Sec. 3. (a) It shall be the duty of the trial board to render its report in writing to the society at the next regular meeting thereof or at a meeting specially called for that purpose, at which time the members of the society, sitting as a jury, shall vote by written secret ballot upon said report to determine the question of guilt or innocence of the accused, without debate other than by the prosecutor and the accused or their attorneys. The accused shall have the opening and closing of the argument. A finding of guilty shall require a two-thirds majority vote, but a simple majority shall be sufficient to determine the extent of the punishment. All ballots shall be carefully preserved by the secretary.

(b) Neither the prosecutor, accused, witnesses nor attorneys, nor any other member directly connected with said cause shall have any vote in the proceedings and shall be excluded from the meeting at the time the votes are taken.

Sec. 4. Expulsion from the society shall only be meted out in the event of conviction for felony by a court of record or in a case in which the accused is found guilty of moral turpitude or of conduct flagrantly violating the objects and purposes of the society.

*Summary*

## ARTICLE X

### Funds

Section 1. All income and receipts of the society, including dues, initiation fees and fines and income derived from the sale of cemetery lots, annual taxes assessed against the same, or other special charges, taxes or dues recovered or collected under and by virtue of the Cemetery Laws, as well as income from investments, donations, bequests, and all other income from every other source whatsoever, shall be known as the General Fund.

Sec. 1A. All monies now in possession of the society (and deposited in its general fund) received for perpetual care of lots or graves, and all monies hereafter received by the Society for like purposes, shall be kept separate and apart from the general fund, and that it be kept and designated as "Trust Fund for Perpetual Care" and the income therefrom derived, or so much of it as is necessary, shall be applied for perpetual care of the respective lots it was paid for to so maintain, and that same be shown on our books and records." (Adopted July 6, 1938.)

Sec. 2. The GENERAL FUND shall be used for the payment of the expenses of the Society, Sick Benefit, Funeral Benefit, Distress Benefit, and Charitable donations; for the maintenance of the cemetery, the purchase of land for cemetery purposes; the making of such cemetery improvements as may from time to time be required, and for such other legal purposes as the Society may from time to time determine.

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Sec. 3. (a) No request for a charitable contribution shall be acted upon in the presence of any person other than a member of the Society, and must lay over one meeting before consideration.

(b) No motion or resolution for a charitable contribution in excess of the sum of One Hundred dollars, shall be acted upon except at a special meeting of the Society, called for that purpose, and in order to carry shall require a two-thirds majority of all members present in favor thereof.

## ARTICLE XI

### Rules of Order and Order of Business

Section 1. RULES OF ORDER—Roberts Rules of Order shall prevail in all cases not provided for in these laws.

Sec. 2. ORDER OF BUSINESS—The regular order of business at all regular meetings of the society shall be as follows:

1. Opening Flag Ceremony.
2. Calling Roll of Officers.
3. Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting.
4. Reports of Investigating Committee on Candidates.
5. Balloting.
6. Initiation of Candidates.
7. Report of Sick Committee.
8. Report of Sickness and Distress.
9. Reading of Correspondence and Bills.
10. Report of President.
11. Report of Standing Committee.

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- 12. Report of Trustees.
- 13. Unfinished Business.
- 14. New Business.
- 15. Proposal of Candidates.
- 16. Payment of Dues to Financial Secretary.
- 17. Good and Welfare of the Society.
- 18. Announcement of Receipts and Disbursements.
- 19. Closing Flag Ceremony and Adjournment.

## ARTICLE XII

### Cemeteries

Section 1. The Society shall operate and maintain its cemeteries for the use of its members in accordance with all laws, and regulations now in force or which may from time to time hereafter be established hereunder.

Sec. 2. The cemeteries shall be under the general management of the Board of Trustees and the direct supervision of the Cemetery Committee.

### Regulation of Burials

Sec. 3. All burials shall be subject to a permit signed by the president of the Society.

Sec. 4. Every member of the Society in good standing shall have the right to acquire one family lot in any of the cemeteries of the Society for burial purposes, as herein-after more fully set forth, and to be selected out of the lots remaining unassigned for the

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sum of not less than Two Hundred Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars, provided that the Society, at any time hereafter, upon the recommendation of the Cemetery Committee may increase the price of any lot or lots according to the location thereof; the cost thereof, as aforesaid, shall be payable as follows: Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars at time of application and the balance at the rate of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars at or before every quarterly meeting thereafter until the entire amount shall have been paid; provided that no burial shall be permitted on such lot until the full amount therefor shall have been paid.

Sec. 5. If at the death of a member any part of his lot cost, as aforesaid, shall remain unpaid, and the benefit provided under Article VIII, Section 2, of these laws is found to be due, such benefit shall be applied thereon.

Sec. 6. Upon the death of a member who has no lot, his widow may acquire a lot for his burial for cash, provided that further burials on said lot shall be subject to the same laws, rules and regulations governing lots of members.

Sec. 7. A member who has no cemetery lot shall be entitled to the remainder of the lot of his deceased father or father-in-law subject to the burial rights, if any, reserved under these laws to any other members of the family of the deceased.

Sec. 8. All lots assigned under and by virtue of these laws shall be subject to an annual maintenance tax for the care and

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Who supervises  
and controls.

Cost of lots —

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Rules of acquisition.  
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Cemetery Care.

For burial —  
Fees etc.

maintenance of the cemeteries, in a sum equal to the annual dues required to be paid by beneficial members, which tax shall be due and payable in advance at the first meeting in January of each year. Should such tax remain unpaid for a period of thirty (30) days after notice in writing is given to the person or persons shown on the records of the Society to be entitled thereto, then the lot or unused portion thereof, shall revert to the Society, to be disposed of for burial purposes as it may deem fit. Such notice shall be held valid and as properly sent by registered mail to such party or parties, to his, her, or their last known address, as the same appears on the records of the Society.

Sec. 9. The following persons shall be exempt from such maintenance tax:

- (1) A lot owner, so long as he remains a member of the Society.
- (2) His widow, so long as she remains unmarried.
- (3) In the event of the remarriage or death of said widow, or if there be no widow, the daughters of such member, so long as they remain spinsters; and the sons of such member under the age of twenty-one (21) years.

#### Permits and Fees

Sec. 10. All burials upon any assigned and unforfeited lot shall be subject to a burial permit fee as follows:

- (a) For the burial of a member, his wife, his parents, his unmarried mi-

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nor children and unmarried daughters, no fee.

- (b) For the burial of married children of a member and sons 21 years of age and over, \$25.00.
- (c) For the burial of a former member, his wife, his parents, his unmarried minor children and unmarried daughters, \$10.00.
- (d) For the burial of married children or sons 21 years of age and over, of a former member, \$25.00.
- (e) For the burial of the father-in-law or mother-in-law of a member or deceased member, or former member, the sum of Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars for each interment.
- (f) For the burial of a brother or sister of a member, or deceased member, the sum of Thirty (\$30.00) Dollars for each interment.
- (g) For the burial of any other relative by consanguinity or affinity, of a member or deceased member, or former member, the sum of Fifty-five (\$55.00) Dollars for each interment, provided that no burial permit may be issued for the interment of any person except a member, until all charges due the Society from such member at the time of application for permit, shall be paid in addition to the permit fee required.
- (h) Except as hereinbefore otherwise provided, all former members and

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other persons now listed on the records of the Society as maintenance taxpayers on any lot, or who may hereafter so become, shall have the right of burial on such lot so long as they continue to pay taxes thereon, subject to permit fees, depending in amount upon the degree of relationship of the person to be buried to a deceased or former member lot owner, in the same amounts as heretofore provided for the burial of relatives of a member.

#### Monuments and Removals

Sec. 11. Fees for permit to erect a headstone or monument shall be Five (\$5.00) Dollars for each grave marked; family monument Five (\$5.00) Dollars; for the removal of a body; Ten (\$10.00) Dollars.

#### Free Permits

Sec. 12. With the consent of the Cemetery Committee, the president may grant a free permit for the burial of poor persons.

Sec. 13. In no case shall the cost or expense of any burial be borne by the Society.

#### Cost of Single Graves

Sec. 14. Single graves may be disposed of at the following prices:

- (a) For a person over the age of 15 years, not less than Seventy-Five (\$75.00) Dollars,
- (b) For a child between the age of 6 and 15 years, both inclusive, not less than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars.

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- (c) For a child under the age of 6 years, not less than Twenty (\$20.00) Dollars.
- (d) Prices in excess of such minimums, may be fixed by the Society on recommendation of the Trustees or the Cemetery Committee.

#### Sale of Burial Plots

Sec. 15. The president of the Society is vested with the power to assign lots and sell single graves. Such graves are to be selected consecutively in such lots as are or may hereafter be designated as single grave lots beginning in the rear of the cemeteries, provided that before any new lot is opened for single graves, all vacant graves remaining on any reverted lots may first be exhausted.

- (a) No unoccupied lots or single graves in partly occupied lots in the old cemetery shall be sold or used, until all lots and single graves in the new cemetery shall have been disposed of.
- (b) In the event of removal, from a single grave, of a body therein interred, such grave shall revert to, and be at the disposal of the Society for resale for burial purposes.

#### Care of Lots

Sec. 16. All assigned lots in the cemetery of the Society which are now or which hereafter may be partially occupied shall be cared for by the member or person having burial rights theron in accordance with the rules

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and regulations for the care of lots now in force or which hereafter may be established. Upon failure, for two successive years to care for such lots as aforesaid, after notice by registered letter addressed to last known address, as shown on records of the Society, the Society may care for and maintain such lot or lots and to defray the expense thereof shall have the right to sell any unoccupied graves thereon, provided that no additional graves shall be sold on any such lot until the proceeds of a prior sale of a grave or graves thereon, for such care, shall have been exhausted.

#### Title Transfers

Sec. 17. No transfer of burial rights on any assigned lot shall be permitted without the sanction of the Society first had upon such terms not inconsistent with these laws.

Sec. 18. In the event that a suspended member shall fail to pay the maintenance tax on his lot, such tax may be paid by the kin of such suspended member and such kin, in such case, have the right of interment thereon upon the payment of the permit fee required in the case of interment of the kin of a member, depending upon the degree of relationship of such kin, as set forth in Section 10 hereof.

#### Cemetery Records

Sec. 19. The financial secretary of the Society shall be the secretary of the Cemetery Committee, and it shall be the duty of such secretary to keep complete and true records of the cemeteries and the status and condition of all lots and graves thereon, provided

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that a duplicate record thereof may be kept by the president and recording secretary.

#### Repeal

Sec. 20. All articles, sections, laws or parts of laws in conflict with the above and foregoing Nineteen (19) Sections of Article XII, entitled "CEMETERIES" are hereby specifically repealed. (Adopted Feb. 2, 1938.)

### ARTICLE XIII

#### Zionist Organization

Effective January 1, 1938, and on the same date thereafter, an assessment of \$1.00 per annum be levied against each member, payable during the first quarter, said assessment, when collected, to be placed in a Special Fund created for that purpose, and

When the Special Fund shall have an amount equivalent to 50% of the sum due from all its members, in any event semi-annually, the secretary in charge of the fund shall be authorized to pay to the Zionist Organization of Chicago this amount, to be transmitted by them to Palestine as the shekel payment for each individual member, and at the close of the year pay the balance remaining in said fund to complete the payment and the obligation of this Society.

Non-payment of this assessment shall at no time, or in no wise affect a member's status in the Society, nor abrogate his rights to benefits regularly prescribed, but in the event of non-payment during the second quarter, a member can be deprived only of his membership in the Zionist Organization, until such time as his assessment shall be paid. (Adopted Dec. 1, 1937.)

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