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Flash Traffic

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SUBJECT: Change to Perch Base Constitution

This is the required Flash Traffic notice to Base personnel that a vote shall be taken at the August Base Meeting (August 10) on the below indicated change to the Base Constitution. If you cannot attend or do not wish to vote then, you may cast your vote by e-mail sent to any Base officer before the date of the meeting.



OUR PERCH BASE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS REQUIRES THAT ANY CHANGES TO THAT DOCUMENT MUST BE POSTED IN THE MIDWATCH FOR TWO (2) MONTHS PRIOR TO A VOTE TAKEN BY THE BASE. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING CHANGES AS INDICATED BY THE YELLOW HIGHLIGHTING. IN ALL CASES, THE CHANGES ARE EITHER REQUIRED BY THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION OR ARE EDITORIAL CHANGES.

Proposed Amendment to the Perch Base Constitution and Bylaws.

The following changes are proposed to bring our Constitution and Bylaws into better compliance with the USSVI Constitution and Bylaws.

Various Locations

The term "Submariners" is used in the title of the organization in place of the misleading "Submarine Veterans, Inc."

Article VII – Membership, Section 3 Associate Membership

Change paragraph 1 to read "Associate Membership is reserved for persons not otherwise eligible for regular membership. Details on Associate Membership shall be as defined in, and controlled by, the USSVI Perch Base Policies and Procedures Manual, (Latest edition.)"

Delete the rest of Section 3

Justification: The details on Associate membership belong in the document that details the other activities of Perch Base. The Constitution and Bylaws provide an overview of activities not the details.

Article VII – Membership, Section 6 Honorary Members

Add to paragraph 1 "The Board of Directors must vote in the majority to approve this action."

Justification: Prudent action for the position.

Article VIII – Membership Dues, Section 4 New Member Dues

Add to the end of the paragraph "as defined in the USSVI Perch Base Policies and Procedures Manual, (Latest edition.)"

Justification: Consistency with similar statements throughout the document.

Article IX – Officers, Section 2 Appointed Officers

Add Membership Chairman to the list.

Justification: Consistency, the Membership Chairman position is an appointed officer in the Policies and Procedures Manual

Article XVI – Amendments, Section 2 Approval

Add to the first sentence of paragraph 1. "...for the good of the Base and to ensure the amendment does not conflict with the National Constitution or Bylaws."

Justification: Required by the National Constitution.

Article XVI – Amendments, Section 3 Effective Date

Change to read

Amendments which are passed shall be sent to the District Commander for approval and will then become effective upon publication of the final document in the MidWatch.

Justification: Required by the National Constitution.

