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## **DANISH AMERICAN HERITAGE SOCIETY**

(A nonprofit corporation founded April 11, 1977 in Oregon)

### **CONSTITUTION**

#### Article I

##### **NAME**

This organization shall be known as the Danish American Heritage Society.

#### Article II

##### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the organization shall be:

To publish a historical journal, *The Bridge*

To promote an interest and encourage research in the life, culture, and history of Danish-Americans

To serve as an agency for the publication of studies of Danish American history

To provide a means of communicating with and informing people interested in the activities of Danish Americans

To encourage and assist with conferences, meetings and endeavors to stimulate interest in Danish culture, heritage and language

To solicit, acquire and receive, moneys and other properties, both real and personal, and to hold, administer and expand such for the purposes of Society and to perform any and all acts necessary to accomplish the objectives and purposes of the Society

#### Article III

##### **REGISTERED OFFICE**

The registered office of this organization shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

## Article IV

### **MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS**

Section 1. Membership. The members of this organization shall be persons or organizations who pay membership dues as determined by the Board of Directors. An active membership roster shall be maintained by the treasurer of the organization.

Section 2. Meetings. Meetings of the members of the organization may be called by the President, the Board of Directors, or any three (3) officers. Notification shall be given to all members at least thirty (30) days in advance.

Section 3. Quorum. At any meeting, those members of the organization present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of official business.

## Article V

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The business and affairs of the organization shall be managed and controlled by a Board of Directors.

## Article VI

### **DISSOLUTION**

In the event of dissolution of the organization, all of its assets, in whatever form existing, shall be given and bequeathed to a tax exempt institution or institutions where the spirit of the organization's purposes and objectives shall find understanding and interest. Dissolution of the organization may be made by a majority vote of the Board of Directors only after the Board has notified the entire membership of this contemplated move, a period of three months after issuance of such notification has passed, and it is determined that such action is in keeping with the general will of the membership. The President shall be charged with actual distribution of the organization's assets after such action has been determined by a majority vote of the Board.

## Article VII

### **AMENDMENTS**

The constitution may be added to, amended, or repealed at any legally constituted meeting of the organization or the Board of Directors.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE COSTITUTION

November 1, 2014: The first line under Article I Purpose was changed to state “To publish a historical journal, *The Bridge*. This eliminated the phrase “and a *Newsletter*.”