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# MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

National Headquarters

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To: Meg Thoburn, National Adj./Paymaster  
From: Thomas W. Hazlett, National Executive Director

Subject: Proposed Bylaw Change

In accordance with National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures, Article Six, Section 610, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at National Convention

Section 610(d) - (d) Delete in its entirety and replace with a new sub paragraph 610(d) as follows:

(d) The Membership year and the annual dues shall expire on the 31st day of August of each year. New members joining the MCL between August 31<sup>st</sup> and the last day of February will pay the current National \$20.00 + \$5.00 Initiation fee; new members joining between 1 March and August 30<sup>th</sup>, will pay \$10.00 + \$5 Initiation fee. The Annual renewal rate of \$20.00 will be due on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August of each year.

#### RATIONALE:

The current Section 610(d) calls for the Membership year and the annual dues to expire on the last day of the anniversary month of such member's original dues having been received at National Headquarters. This means a continuous printing of annual dues notices being printed and sent out to the entire membership. Involved in this printing of notices are the costs of each notice, the labor and material cost, the cost of postage of mailing each notice and the confusion as to when members are to pay their renewal fees should a renewal notice not be received or if received, forgotten.

The new date of 31 August will allow for just one renewal date for all members, eliminating the need to purchase renewal notices; the renewal date can be tracked on the National Website; and the need to print out a renewal notice and pay the postage will also be eliminated thus resulting in a cost savings of \$15,000.00 annual postage, the time expended, cost of printing, and the approximate cost of \$.40 per form times the approximate 40,000 members requiring renewal notices or approximately \$16,000.00 a year would result in an approximate cost savings of \$40,000.00 a year; a huge savings annually.

Respectfully Submitted

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