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ARTICLE I NAME OF ORGANIZATION

Sec. 1 This organization is a chartered club of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. and shall be known as the West Virginia Airstream Club of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.

ARTICLE II OBJECTIVES

Sec. 1 The objectives of this non-profit organization shall be:

- To develop the Club and thus afford fraternization for recreational vehicle (RV) owners.
- To encourage safe driving and the general welfare of the RV public.
- To coordinate with and participate in the activities of the WBCCI and Region 4.
- To cooperate with organizations which seek to elevate standards and ethics of RV groups.
- To provide information and advice of value to the members and the public.
- To recommend legislation which is in the best interest of the RV community.
- To encourage agencies to provide additional and advanced RV parks and facilities.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

Sec. 1 An adult who owns a hard-sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream; Inc. shall be eligible for membership.

Sec. 2 There are two classes of membership in this Club: Regular and Affiliate Members.

Sec. 3 An applicant for membership in this Club must submit an application in writing and, upon the payment of International and Club dues, shall be a Regular Member.

Sec. 4 Regular Members who have sold their recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., may, upon request, retain their membership as Regular Members of this Club pursuant to the provisions of Article VI, Sec. 2, of the International Constitution. Such Regular Members shall possess all the rights and privileges of the International Club, including full voting rights in all elections and on all questions.

Sec. 5 Any member of Wally Byam Airstream Club may become an Affiliate member of the WVAC Club by joining through the member-only portal. Affiliate members shall possess all the rights and privileges of the Club except:

- The right to hold office in the Club.

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- The right to vote, through the Affiliated Club, in the selection or election of officers in the Club, Region or International or on any amendment to the Club or the International Constitution.
 - The right to vote on the dissolution of the Club, consolidation of the Club with one or more Local Clubs, or the merger of the Club with another.

Sec. 6 Affiliate membership in this Club must submit dues through the International Club.

Sec. 7 Failure to pay either Club or International dues will automatically terminate membership in the Club.

Sec. 8 An owner of an Airstream and his/her spouse/partner who join the Club as Regular Members will have one vote per person in the election of officers at the Local and International levels as well as amendments to their respective Constitutions.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

Sec. 1 The officers of the Club shall be Regular members of the Club and shall consist of:

- President
- Vice President
- Recording Secretary
- Treasurer
- Two Directors

Sec. 2 The Officers shall be elected at the annual business meeting. They shall be installed and assume office on November 1st. An officer shall serve in office for a term of two years or until a successor is elected, but in no case shall an officer be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office except the Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Trustees provided they are duly nominated and elected for each term of office.

Sec. 3 The Directors shall be elected at the annual business meeting, each for a term of two years.

Sec. 4 An officer who advances to an office pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 5 of this ARTICLE shall not be deemed to have served a full term in such office unless said service is for a period of greater than one-half (1/2) the term of such office.

Sec. 5 In the event of the death or resignation of the President or the death, advancement or resignation of a Vice President, or an officer's inability to fulfill the duties of office. All vacancies on the Executive Board, except that of the Immediate Past President, shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

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ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE BOARD

- Sec. 1 The Executive Board shall consist of all of the Club officers plus the immediate Past President of the Club.
- Sec. 2 The Executive Board shall be the administrative body of the Club and shall define the policies of and have full administrative authority in all matters pertaining to the Club, and exercise general control and supervision of all officers and committees.
- Sec. 3 The President or any two members of the Board may call a business meeting of the Executive Board at any time deemed necessary.
- Sec. 4 A quorum of the Executive Board consists of a majority of its members.

ARTICLE VI CLUB BUSINESS MEETINGS

- Sec. 1 The annual business meeting of the Club shall be held during the month of October. Additional business meetings may be held during any rally of the Club, and also may be called at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Board. The date, time, location, and purpose of all Club business meetings shall be announced to the members in writing at least fifteen days prior to the meeting. A quorum for conducting business at any business meeting shall be not less than 15% percent of the membership.
- Sec. 2 All Regular Members, including spouse or partner, voting at the annual or additional business meetings of this organization, shall each have one vote.
- Sec. 3 Ballots submitted by email, regular mail or facsimile may also be accepted from Regular Members. The President and Recording Secretary shall ensure no member casts more than one ballot. Votes allowed in this manner should be received by the Club no later than two (2) days before the regular or special meetings at which a vote is to be taken. These votes must be kept confidential until voting at a meeting has taken place. Such ballots also count as a part of the quorum for such a business meeting.

ARTICLE VII BYLAWS

- Sec. 1 Bylaws consistent with this Constitution and with the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., embodying additional provisions for the government of the Club may be adopted by the Executive Board.

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ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

Sec. 1 Proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted to the Executive Board in writing. The Executive Board shall submit all such amendments to the members for their consideration.

Sec. 2 Any Article or Section of this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members voting at a business meeting of the Club or a special meeting called for that purpose. In either case, a notice containing the proposed amendment or amendments has been delivered by first-class mail or electronically to each member of the Club at least fifteen days prior to the meeting. Provision for balloting may follow Article VI, Sec. 3, of this Constitution.

Sec. 3 All amendments to this Constitution shall become effective upon adoption.

This Constitution, as last amended, was adopted by the membership on October 22,2022 at Flatwoods, WV
(Date) (City, State, or Province)

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ARTICLE I PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Sec. 1 Parliamentary procedures for all meetings of the Club and Executive Board shall be governed by the current edition of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER NEWLY REVISED except when they are in conflict with the Constitution, Bylaws, or Policy of this Club.

Sec. 2 The order of business may be:

Opening Ceremonies

Invocation (Non-Sectarian)*

Pledge of Allegiance (The United States Pledge of Allegiance may be omitted at all WBCCI rallies, events, and functions held outside the United States).

- A. Roll Call
- B. Approval of Minutes
- C. Reports of Officers and Committees
- D. Special Orders
- E. Unfinished Business
- F. New Business
- G. Announcements
- H. Adjournment

ARTICLE II COMMITTEES

Sec. 1 The President shall appoint Special Committees as required.

- All Special Committees shall consist of a Chair and as many members as deemed necessary by the President.
- Chairs of Special Committees shall report at each meeting of the Executive Board.
- The President shall appoint and be an ex-officio member of all committees.

ARTICLE III GUESTS

Sec. 1 A guest (or guests) sponsored and invited by a member in good standing and using the member's trailer or motorhome or staying in a non-RV facility such as a cabin, motel room, etc., may attend activities of the Club. Members sponsoring such a guest shall pay one extra rally fee exclusive of the parking fee.

Sec. 2 A member in good standing in this Club may sponsor and invite a non-member Airstream recreational vehicle owner, as a prospective member, to attend rallies and other activities of the Club.

Sec. 3 Members in good standing in the International Club may attend activities of the Club provided that such members, and where required, shall have made prior reservation.

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Sec. 4 The Club, once each calendar year, may host a rally, caravan, or combination thereof with a recreation vehicle club not chartered by the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., It may conduct, twice each calendar year, (but not more than 50% of the rallies and caravans conducted by that Club in any calendar year) a buddy rally and/or caravan. Each member of the Club may invite no more than one non-member recreation vehicle family.

The family is invited to the buddy rally or caravan to introduce them to the WBCCI "Way of Life" and the Club members in the hope they might decide to purchase an Airstream and join WBCCI. A buddy rally is not intended to be used by current or past WBCCI members to attend a WBCCI rally in their non-Airstream vehicles.

ARTICLE IV NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Sec. 1 The Executive Board shall, not less than ninety (90) days prior to the Club's annual business meeting, appoint a three-member Nominating Committee. After having obtained the prior acceptance for office of each nominee if elected, shall place in nomination one candidate for each office to be filled by election. A written report submit to the Executive Board shall include the names of all candidates considered and the President shall distribute the report to the membership not less than fifteen (15) days before the business meeting. Additional candidates who have previously consented to accept the office if elected, may self-nominate, or be placed in nomination from the floor of said meeting. No seconds are required for any nomination.

ARTICLE V DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Sec. 1 The President shall:

- Preside at all meetings of the Club and Executive Board.
- Enforce the Constitution and Bylaws.
- Appoint all special committees and the Parliamentarian.
- Have such powers and duties as normally pertain to the principal executive officer.

Sec. 2 The Vice President shall:

- Attend all business meetings of the Club and the Executive Board.
- Shall assist the President.
- Assume the duties of the President in the President's absence.

Sec. 3 The Recording Secretary shall:

- Record and preserve the minutes of all official meetings of the Club and the Executive Board, and mail copies to the members of the Executive Board not more than fifteen days following each meeting.
- Record the attendance of the officers at each meeting and advise the presiding officer if a quorum is present.
- Coordinate with the Treasurer to maintain an accurate roster of paid-up members of the Club.

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Sec. 4 The Treasurer shall:

- Maintain the financial records of the Club and receive all monies, as prescribed in International **Policy 16.6.1, Financial Management, Items K - M** and **Policy, 16.6.2, Financial Data Guidelines**, and promptly deposit them in the bank chosen by the Executive Board.
- Notify members of expiration of dues and direct the members to the Headquarters website to renew their International and Club dues. Maintain an up-to-date roster of paid-up members. Changes to this roster shall be shared with the Recording Secretary.
- Submit a full written report of finances to the Executive Board at each meeting. Each year a committee selected by the incoming President will audit the books and accounts. Before retirement, all books, monies, and property of the Club shall be delivered promptly to the incoming Treasurer.

Sec. 5 The duties of the Directors shall be:

- To attend all meetings of the Club and the Executive Board.
- To accept special assignments as directed by the President. Additional duties may be to chair or be members of committees.

ARTICLE VI MEETING TYPE

Sec. 1 Any Business Meeting of the Club or the Executive Board may be held as an electronic meeting with a minimum of ten (10) days notification to the membership and Board. Such notification will include all necessary information for participation by the membership and Board.

Sec. 2 Any electronic meeting will meet the quorums established in the Club's Constitution.

ARTICLE VII DUES

Sec. 1 The annual Club dues of Regular and Affiliate members shall be set by the Executive Board.

Sec. 2 A member who fails to pay properly assessed International and Local Club dues before December 31 may not be listed in the Annual Membership Directory of the International Club for the following year. If the dues are not paid and receipted by the Club or International on or before December 31, for members joining prior to August 1, 2021, or their anniversary date, for those joining after August 1, 2021, the membership will be terminated.

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ARTICLE VIII CODE OF ETHICS

Sec. 1 All members shall abide by the following Code of Ethics:

- A. To be ever mindful of our responsibility to Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and through conduct, indicate to the public that membership in this organization is an assurance of our courtesy on the road and good will to all peoples and countries.
- B. To be ever mindful of what we say or print with respect to the effect on others of our diverse membership so as to avoid disharmony and ill feelings among club members of diverse ethnicities, religious beliefs, or orientation and to dedicate ourselves to the work of cementing together the members of WBCCI in bonds of good fellowship and mutual understanding.
- C. To conduct ourselves in a manner to inspire others engaged in recreational vehicle travel to a full appreciation of the intent and meaning of this code.
- D. To maintain our camps in an orderly manner and leave them the same way.

ARTICLE IX LIABILITY

Sec. 1 Neither the Local Club nor its officers are responsible for the loss of or damage to property or for injury to or death of a person on the premises of any Club function. This freedom from responsibility for loss or damage to property applies regardless of whether that property has been received by any member or officer or left upon the premises.

ARTICLE XI POLICY

Sec. 1 Policy consistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Club and with the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., containing additional provisions for the government of the Club may be adopted by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XII AMENDMENTS

Sec. 1 These Bylaws may be amended at any business meeting of the Executive Board by a two-thirds vote, provided the proposed amendment has been submitted to all members of the Executive Board in writing ten (10) days prior to such meeting.

Sec. 2 Such amendments shall become effective upon adoption.

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**ARTICLE XIII
MERGER, CONSOLIDATION OR DISSOLUTION OF THIS CLUB**

Sec. 1 In the event the members of this Local Club deem it desirable to merge with another Local Club, or to consolidate with one or more Local Clubs, or for the Club to dissolve, the members shall, through the President of this Club, follow the appropriate procedures as prescribed in ARTICLE VII, Sec.1 through 6 of the Bylaws of the International Club. These procedures are in accordance with Section 501 (c) 7 of the Internal Revenue Service Code.

These Bylaws, as last amended, were adopted by the Board on October 22,2022 at Flatwoods, WV

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