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# **ARTICLE I**

### SECTION 1 – NAME

The name of the organization shall be the Heart of Ohio Chapter of NCRS Inc., a not for profit organization incorporated in the state of Ohio.

# **SECTION 2 – PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Chapter shall be the enjoyment, preservation and promotion to the general public of the Corvette Automobile.

# **ARTICLE II**

# **SECTION 1 – MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in the Chapter shall be restricted to NCRS Inc. members.

# SECTION 2 – NCRS INC. MEMBERSHIP

Any member in good standing as provided in Section 1 of this article and having paid such

Annual Heart of Ohio Chapter dues and fees as required shall immediately become a member.

### **SECTION 3 – DUES AND FEES**

Annual dues shall be a minimum of \$20.00 and shall be due and payable before Feb. 1 of the

year. The fees and dues shall be taken under consideration and set for the following year by the

Board of Directors at the annual meeting.

# **SECTION 4 – PRIVILEGES**

Members are entitled to all chapter privileges.

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### **SECTION 5 – EXPULSION**

Any member may be suspended or placed on probation for specific cause, without prejudice, by the majority of the Board of Directors as being in the best interests of the Chapter. However, before such action is taken, the member shall have the opportunity to submit in writing or plead in person his/her position on any charge at a hearing as established by the Board of Directors. The member shall be notified of the charge and the hearing date, which is to be at least two weeks prior to the date of expulsion.

### SECTION 6 – RESIGNATION

Any member may resign by submitting a resignation in writing to the Chairman but dues will not be refunded. A resigning member relinquishes all rights and privileges of the Chapter. A former member who wishes to rejoin can do so by meeting requirements as stated in Section 1 and 3 herein.

### **ARTICLE III**

### **SECTION 1 – ANNUAL MEETING**

The annual meeting of the members shall be held during the month of November, as designated by the Board of Directors each year for the election and installation of officers, reports of officers and committees, and other such business as lawfully may come before the meeting. Regular meetings or events shall be held throughout the year, as announced by the Board of Directors.

### SECTION 2 – SPECIAL MEETINGS

In addition to any provisions of the law, special meetings of the members may be called by the Chairman or by a majority of the Board of Directors.

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### SECTION 3 – NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice of special meetings, stating the place, date and hour of the meeting of the members, shall be given by the Secretary and communicated not less than two weeks before such meetings to each member.

## **SECTION 4 – QUORUM AND VOTING**

Each paid membership in good standing is allowed one vote. At Board of Directors Meetings, each member of the Board of Directors is allowed one vote. At the annual stated meeting of the members, one-third of the members shall constitute a quorum and may be reconvened from time to time until a quorum is present. If a quorum is present, unless provided by law or in the Articles of Incorporation, the affirmative vote of a majority of the Members at the meeting entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be the act of Members. After a quorum has been established at a meeting of the members, the subsequent withdrawal of members, so as to reduce the number of members entitled to vote at the meeting below the number required for a quorum, shall not affect the validity of any action taken at the meeting and/or adjournment thereof.

### **SECTION 5 – ELECTIONS**

Elections shall be conducted every year and be accomplished by written ballot. Proxy voting will be allowed. There shall be one vote per membership.

# **ARTICLE IV**

# **SECTION 1 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board is defined as the Officers and the past Chairman. The immediate past Chairman is automatically a member of The Board of Directors with full voting power.

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### **SECTION 2 – OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

Elected Officers:

The elected officers shall consist of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary,

Treasurer, Judging Chairman, Newsletter and Membership Chairman. The members at large shall elect them.

### **SECTION 3 - VACANCY**

In the event that any of the officers resign or become unable to hold office before the end of the elected term, the Chairman shall recommend a member to fill the vacancy of said term. With Board approval, this person will fill the remaining term of office.

### **SECTION 4 – TERM OF OFFICE**

Each officer shall be elected for a term of one(1) year to be served commencing January 1. No more than three (3) consecutive terms in any one office may be served.

### SECTION 5 – REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

Any officer may be removed from office at any time for specific cause on the affirmative vote of the majority of The Board of Directors whenever, in its judgment, the best interests of the Chapter will be served thereby. Removal shall be without prejudice to any contract rights of the person so removed, but election of the officer shall not of itself create contract rights.

### **ARTICLE V**

### **SECTION 1 – DUTIES OF THE CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the members and The Board of Directors and

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shall perform the duties pertaining to this office. The Chairman may call special meetings of members under the provisions of Article III and shall be the Chief Executive of the Chapter. The Chairman shall be responsible for coordinating chapter activities.

### **SECTION 2 – DUTIES OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN**

In the absence of, resignation of, or inability to act of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman will perform the duties usually appertaining to the Chairman. The Vice-Chairman shall handle public relations for The Chapter and assist appointed Chairman.

## **SECTION 3 – DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY**

The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the members and directors and shall record all minutes and votes in a book for this purpose. The Secretary shall give all notices of meetings of the members as required by Law or these By-Laws and shall perform all duties incident to this office required by Law or by the majority vote of the Board of Directors. In the absence of the Secretary from any of the said meetings, the presiding officer shall choose a Secretary Pro-Tempore.

### **SECTION 4 – DUTIES OF THE TREASURER**

The Treasurer shall, subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be made by the Board of Directors, have custody of all monies, debts, and obligations belonging to the Chapter. The Teasurer shall receive all monies of the Chapter and deposit same in the Chapter account and shall make all payments of the Chapter debts upon approval of the Officers. All contracts, checks, drafts, notes or other orders for payment of money above \$1000 shall be signed in the name of the Chapter by the Treasurer and countersigned by The Chairman or Vice-Chairman. The Treasurer shall give a report on the financial status of the Chapter at the Annual Meeting, monthly meetings and at any other meetings of The Board of Directors. No obligation, debt, or other liability shall be incurred by the Treasurer without the specific approval of the Board of Directors.

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### **SECTION 5 – DUTIES OF THE JUDGING CHAIRMAN**

The Judging Chairman must manage the judging at the annual meet. The Judging Chairman must recruit and train judges including conducting a judging school. Judging supplies must be inventoried and maintained.

### **SECTION 6 – DUTIES OF NEWSLETTER EDITOR CHAIRMAN**

The Newsletter Editor Chairman will communicate to the Chapter's general membership by e-mail notices and regular newsletters detailing calendar of events and meeting schedules. The Newsletter Chairman will work with the Webmaster to make sure the website is updated with proper and current information.

### **SECTION 7 – DUTIES OF MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN**

The Membership chairman will be responsible for the recruitment of new members and the coordination of getting these members involved and introduced to existing membership. The Chairman shall also maintain and update membership rosters and mailing lists. This will be coordinated with the Treasurer and yearly dues notices, which the Membership Chairman will mail/e-mail.

### **ARTICLE VI**

### **SECTION 1 – APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES**

The Chairman shall appoint such committees as he finds desirable from time to time and shall outline the duties and responsibilities of such committees.

### **SECTION 2 – ACTIVITIES**

The activities of The Chapter shall be in accordance with NCRS Inc. guidelines.

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#### **ARTICLE VII**

### **SECTION 1 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The Board will act as a review body of volunteers for future Board Officer positions and create a slate of candidates. The Board will review these volunteers prior to September 1 each election year. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the election. The election will be held at The Annual Meeting in November. The Chairman will announce the results and the new officers will begin their term on January 1 of the succeeding year.

### **ARTICLE VIII**

### SECTION 1 – PERSONAL LIABILITY

All persons or corporations extending credit to, contracting with or having any claim against the Chapter or the Board of Directors, shall look only to the funds and property of the Chapter for payment of any such contract or claim or for payment of any debt, damage, judgment or decree, or any other money that may otherwise become due or payable to them from the Chapter or the Board of Directors, so that neither the members of the Chapter, the Board of Directors, past, present or future, shall be liable personally therefore, except that Section 1 is in addition to and subordinate to Ohio statutes.

### **ARTICLE IX**

#### **SECTION 1 – AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS**

The Board of Directors of the Chapter, or any ten active members in good standing, by written proposals submitted to the Secretary/Treasurer, may propose an amendment to the By-Laws. Upon such proposal being made, a copy thereof shall be included in the notice of the next meeting of the members. If two-thirds  $(2/3^{rds})$  of the members present and qualified to vote, vote in favor of the proposal at the meeting, the proposal amendment shall thereby be approved and adopted.

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# ARTICLE X

# **SECTION 1 – DISSOLUTION**

Upon dissolution of The Chapter, assets will be liquidated, outstanding bills paid and any remaining money will be donated to The National Corvette Museum at Bowling Green, Kentucky (a non-profit organization ).