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“The firm foundation of our Association lies within our founders and fellow Rosarian. The integrity and strength of our future is in our children’s hands. With proper guidance and continued support to our youth, The Rosario (Salinas) Association of Greater Los Angeles will grow and last forever.”

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***“When you look at the world in a narrow way, how narrow it seems!
When you look at it in a mean way, how mean it is!
When you look at it selfishly, how selfish it is!
But when you look at it in a broad, generous, friendly spirit,
what wonderful people you find in it.” —Horace Rutledge***

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ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1.1. This Association shall be known as the ROSARIO (SALINAS) ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES.

Article II: MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

Section 2.1. To provide our fellow Rosarian a perpetual connection to each other, and show our children the guiding principles in carrying out our traditions to the next generation, while building a strong foundation for the future of the Association.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 3.1. Members shall be of Rosario, Cavite origin or ancestry by virtue of birth or marital status. A person is of Rosario, Cavite origin or ancestry by virtue of birth if he or she was born in Rosario, Cavite, or if his or her Father or Mother or anyone of his or her grandparents was born in Rosario, Cavite. A person is of Rosario, Cavite origin or ancestry by virtue

of marital status if he or she is married to a person of Rosario, Cavite origin or ancestry by virtue of birth as defined herein.

Section 3.2. Honorary members must be recommended by at least two members and approved by the majority of the officers and members of the Board of Advisers.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

Section 4.1. President: There shall be a President elected by the members of the Association. Any member as defined in Section 3.1., Article III, who has been active for three (3) years, is eligible to hold the office of the President. The Board of Advisers will determine the qualification of a candidate for President.

Section 4.1. (a) Elections: The election of the President shall be held every second week of July of the year. However, in a case of failure of election for whatever reason, the election of a new president and set of officers shall be held on a later date as determined by the majority vote of the members present. In such a case, it is mandated that the President and his officers will continue to exist and operate until the new president and new set of officers are elected.

Section 4.1. (b) Term of Office: The President shall hold office for one (1) year from November 1 to October 31 of the following year. No President shall serve for more than three (3) consecutive years.

Section 4.1. (c) Duties: The governing authority is vested in the President. The President shall ensure that the policies of the organization are faithfully followed and executed.

Section 4.2. Vice President: There shall be no more than four (4) Vice Presidents appointed by the President. Any member as defined in Section 3.1., Article III, who has been active three (3) years, is eligible for appointment as Vice President.

Section 4.2. (a) Appointment: The President-elect shall appoint the Vice President on the day that he is elected as President or on any date no later than October 31 of the year that he is elected.

Section 4.2. (b) Term of Office and Duties: The Vice President shall serve in concurrence with the term of the appointing President. The 1st Vice President, in case the President appoints more than one vice president, shall assume the place of the President in the event the President is discharged for any reason, or is absent or is unable to perform his duties as President. In the

event that the 1st Vice President is discharged for any reason, or is absent or is unable to perform the duties of the President, then the 2nd Vice President shall assume the position of the President. Such assumption of the office of the President shall not be counted as part of the three (3) consecutive year limitation.

Section 4.3. Secretary: There shall be a Secretary appointed by the President. The President may appoint the Secretary on the day that he is elected or on any date no later than October 31 of the year that he is elected. Any member as defined in Section 3.1., Article III, is eligible for appointment as Secretary.

Section 4.3. (a) Term of Office and Duties: The Secretary shall serve in concurrence with the term of the appointing President. The Secretary shall prepare the minutes of all meetings and shall record and maintain official records of all such meetings. The Secretary may appoint any member as his or her Assistant Secretary.

Section 4.4. Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer: There shall be a Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer elected by the members of the association. The election for Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall be held concurrently with the election of the President. Any member as defined in Section 3.1., Article III, is eligible to hold the office of the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer.

Section 4.4. (a) Term of Office and Duties: The Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall hold office for one (1) year from November 1 to October 31 of the following year. The Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall establish and maintain bank accounts, keep and maintain record books, transaction journal, monthly balance sheets to be presented at every general meeting, and financial statement of the association at the end of the term of the President for audit. The President and the Treasurer shall sign disbursement of any amount from the Association's bank account.

Section 4.5. Auditor: There shall be an Auditor elected by the members of the Association. The election of the Auditor shall be held concurrently with the election of the President. Any members as defined in Section 3.1., Article III, is eligible to hold the office of the Auditor.

Section 4.5. (a) Term of Office and Duties: The Auditor shall hold office for one (1) year from November 1 to October 31 of the following year. The Auditor shall have the exclusive authority, power, and duty to examine, audit, and settle all accounts pertaining to the revenue of expenditures, or uses of funds and property owned or held in trust by, or pertaining to the Association. The Auditor shall have the exclusive authority and power to define the scope of the audit and examination, establish the techniques and methods required thereof, and promulgate accounting and auditing rules and regulations to prevent and disallow irregular, unnecessary, excessive, or extravagant expenditures or uses of the funds and properties of the Association., The Auditor shall submit to the President, officers and

members of the Association within the time fixed by the Association bi-weekly or monthly report and such other reports as may be necessary covering the financial condition and the operation of the Association, and recommend such measures necessary to improve their effectiveness and efficiency.

Section 4.6. Business Manager: There shall be a Business Manager appointed by the President. The President shall appoint the Business Manager on the day that he is elected as President or on any date no later than October 31 of the year he is elected. Any member as defined in Section 3.1., Article III, is eligible to hold the office of the Business Manager.

Section 4.6. (a) Term of Office and Duties: The Business Manager shall serve in concurrence with the term of the appointing President. The Business Manager shall supervise the financial activities of the Association.

Section 4.7. Public Relations Officer: There shall be a Public Relations Officer appointed by the President, The President shall appoint the Public Relations Officer on the day that he is elected or on any date no later than October 31 of the year he is elected. Any member defined in Section 3.1., Article III, is eligible to hold the office of the Public Relations Officer.

Section 4.7. (a) Term of Office and Duties: The Public Relation Officer shall serve in concurrence with the term of the appointing President.

The Public Relations Officer shall act as the liaison between the Association and the public, and shall plan and direct continuous development and execution of the Association's public relations and program.

Section 4.8. Board of Advisers: There shall be a Board of Advisers appointed by the President after consultation with the Vice President. The President shall appoint the members of the Board of Advisers on the day he is elected as President or on any date no later than October 31 of the year he is elected. Any active past president of the Association and any member as defined in Section 3.1., Article III, is eligible for appointment as member of the Board of Advisers. The members of the Board of Advisers will elect among themselves the member who will act as Chairman of the Board.

Section 4.8. (a) Term of the Office and Duties: The members of the Board of Advisers shall serve in concurrence with the term of the appointing President. The Board of Advisers shall assist and advise the President and officers and members on policies and on matters affecting the Association. The function of the Board of Advisers is purely advisory and does not carry with it any veto power.

Section 4.9. Legal Counsel: There shall be Legal Counsel appointed by the President. The President shall appoint the Legal Counsel on the day that he is elected as President or on any date no later than October 31 of the year that he is elected. Any active member of the California State Bar who

is a member of the Association as defined under Section 3.1., Article III, is eligible for appointment as Legal Counsel.

Section 4.9. (a) Term of the Office of Duties: The Legal Counsel shall serve in concurrence with the term of the appointing President. The Legal Counsel shall provide legal opinions or advise on legal issues on all legal matters affecting the Association, and prepare or help prepare all legal documents that the Association may need.

ARTICLE V: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

Section 5.1. Projects of the President that cost \$500.00 or More: The President may propose or initiate a project. If the cost of the project is \$500 or more and there are no issues involved, or if there are issues but such issues are resolved, majority of the officers and members present shall either approve or deny the proposed project. If there are issues involved and such issues are not resolved by the majority of the officers and members present, such issues shall be referred to the Board of Advisers for resolution. Once the issues are resolved, the Board of Advisers shall issue a recommendation to all officers for the approval or denial of the proposed project. If the project is approved, notice regarding expenses shall be given to the Treasurer.

Section 5.2. Projects of Other Officers and/or Members that Cost \$500.00 or More: Any officer or member may propose or initiate a project. If the cost of the project is \$500 or more, the proposed project shall be reviewed

first by the President who shall decide whether to refer the project to the officers and members for approval or denial. If the President decides to refer the project to the officers and members of the Association, such proposal is subject to the same process as described in Section 5.1. Article V.

Section 5.3. Projects of the President that Cost Less Than \$500.00: The President may propose or initiate a project. If the cost of each of the first two projects initiated by the President is less than \$500 and there are no issues involved, or if there are issues involved but such issues are resolved by the Vice President, the Vice President shall either approve or deny the proposed project. If there are issues involved and such issues are not resolved by the Vice President, such issues shall be referred to the Board of Advisers for resolution. Once the issues are resolved, the Board of Advisers shall issue a recommendation to the Vice President for the approval or denial of the proposed project. If the project is approved, notice regarding expenses shall be given to the Treasurer. The third and succeeding projects initiated by the President shall be subject to the procedure under Section 5.1., Article V.

Section 5.4. Project of Other Officers and/or Members that Cost Less than \$500.00: Any officer and/or member may propose or initiate a project. If the cost of each of the first two projects initiated by any officer or member is less than \$500.00 and there are no issues involved, or if there are issues involved but such issues are resolved by the President, the President shall

either approve or deny the proposed project. If there are issues involved and such issues are not resolved by the President, such issues shall be referred to the Board of Advisers for resolution. Once the issues are resolved, the Board of Advisers shall issue a recommendation to the President for approval or denial of the project. If the project is approved, notice regarding expenses shall be given to the Treasurer. The third and succeeding projects initiated by the officer or member shall be subject to the procedure under Section 5.2, Article V.

Section 5.5. Notice to All Members: All members of the Association shall be given notice and financial statements of all projects approved.

ARTICLE VI: FINANCIAL TRANSITION

Section 6.1. Transition Period: The outgoing President with his/her Treasurer and the incoming President with his/her Treasurer shall meet at their convenient time to discuss, pass, and transmit all financial documents of the outgoing administration to the incoming administration. If, for any reason, the outgoing President is unable to attend, one of the outgoing Vice Presidents should represent him at such meeting. The outgoing President is mandated to complete the transition no later than November 30 of the year that the incoming President is elected.

ARTICLE VII: MEMBERS LIABILITY

Section 7.1. Members Liability: No member of the Association shall be held liable for the debts, liabilities, or obligations of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENT

Section 8.1. Amendment: New by-laws may be adopted, repealed, or amended at any general meeting. Majority vote of the members present shall be required in order for the amendment or new by-laws to be valid.

ARTICLE IX: RATIFICATION

Section 9.1. Ratification: Any new by-laws or amendments to the current by-laws shall be ratified by majority vote of the members present at the general meeting.

Approved and ratified by the officers and members on September 25, 2004.