

# **CONSTITUTION**

## **ARTICLE I - NAME AND OFFICE**

- Section 1. The name of this Not-For-Profit Corporation shall be the ILLINOIS JCI SENATE. The initials JCI are hereby defined to mean Junior Chamber International.
- Section 2. The principal office of this corporation is vested with the President of the Illinois JCI Senate.

## **ARTICLE II - ASSOCIATION**

- Section 1. This corporation will be affiliated with the U.S. JCI Senate.
- Section 2. This corporation will endeavor to assist all State, National and International JCI Senate groups.
- Section 3. This corporation will be associated with the Illinois Jaycees.

## **ARTICLE III - PURPOSE**

- Section 1. The principle purpose of this corporation shall be:
- A. To encourage local Jaycee chapters to nominate deserving past and present Jaycees for membership in the JCI Senate.
  - B. To promote fellowship amongst JCI Senators.
  - C. To enable experienced people to benefit one another from an exchange of ideas.
  - D. To meet locally as individuals, to provide a means for retaining friendship, and expanding the corporation.
  - E. To maintain contact with the Jaycee movement by periodically inviting State, National and International Jaycees to address our Senate organization.
  - F. To foster better understanding and goodwill through International Relations.
- Section 2. Such other purposes as may from time to time be approved by a majority of the Senators present at a duly convened meeting.
- Section 3. This corporation shall be non-partisan, non-sectarian and not-for-profit in its purposes and activities.
- Section 4. This corporation shall wholly abstain from any political affiliations or the endorsement of any candidates for any public office.

### **ARTICLE III - PURPOSE** cont.

Section 5. This corporation shall maintain a role of non-interference in the affairs and activities of the regular Jaycee organizations, at any level of their structure, shall assist the Jaycee groups as invited, asked or requested, but only after careful and due consideration. Limitations of this corporation to insure noninterference shall be further defined within the By-Laws of this organization.

Section 6. We believe:

That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life;  
That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations;  
That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise;  
That government should be of laws rather than of men;  
That earth's great treasure lies in human personality;  
And that service to humanity is the best work of life.

### **ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP**

All JCI Senators registered with the World Secretariat of the Junior Chamber International.

### **ARTICLE V - GOVERNMENT**

Section 1. The government of this organization shall be vested in a Board of Directors as described in the By-Laws, Article III, Section 1., and shall be subject to the will of the membership.

Section 2. The officers of this organization shall be elected in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws. They shall hold office for a period of one (1) year, or until their successor is duly elected. Region Directors of this organization, other than the officers, shall be elected in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws and shall hold office for a period of one (1) year or until their successor is duly elected. Officers shall assume office on July 1st of that year.

### **ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENTS**

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the membership present at any regular or special meeting called for the purpose of amending, provided that written notice of the proposed amendment or amendments has/have been mailed to the last known address of each member in the issue of The Forum prior to the date of said meeting.

Section 2. A Revision Committee will be appointed to present and develop proposed amendments for the action required in Section One above.