Constitution

Article I. Name

The name of this organization shall be:

THE 95TH DIVISION LEGACY ASSOCIATION

Article II. Purpose

To organize an association that unites all past, present, and future soldiers of the 95TH Division, in all of its forms, beginning with the Soldiers of the original 95TH Infantry Division (and its 95TH Infantry Division Association), their families, and friends of the Division in a national organization dedicated to the preservation of its history, traditions, and fellowship. Specific objectives include:

- A. Honor, perpetuate, and memorialize the achievements and legacy of the 95TH Division and its soldiers in conjunction with the 95TH Infantry Division Foundation.
- B. Maintain and strengthen the bonds of comradeship shared by its men and women and to unite and promote fellowship among current 95TH Division soldiers and their families, veterans, descendants of veterans and friends of the Division throughout the world.
- C. Grant charters to any group of members at large who will agree to accept the terms set forth in the By-laws of the 95^{TH} Division Legacy Association, via the process described therein.
- D. Sponsor and foster national and local reunions, publish an official Association periodical, maintain an official Association website, and support other means of communication to include social media tools.
- E. Encourage mutual benefits and support resulting from a close and cooperative alliance between the Association and the 95TH Division (IET), United States Army Reserve.
- F. Provide a forum for sustaining member contact in a way that celebrates member successes, promotes member interests and welfare, and strives to achieve the bonds forged by the original *Iron Men of Metz*.

G. Promote National Defense, maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, and uphold the Constitution of the United States of America.

Article III. Membership Requirements

- A. Active Membership. Those persons who are current in annual dues payment are considered to be Active Members.
 - 1. Any person who has served, honorably, in the 95TH Infantry Division or in any of its subsequent organizations or attached units, who agrees to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Association Constitution and By-laws, shall be eligible for active membership.
 - 2. Any other person who feels a sentimental attachment to the 95TH Division or its Association, who agrees to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Association Constitution and By-laws, shall be eligible for active membership.
- B. Lifetime Membership. Lifetime Members of the 95TH Infantry Division Association shall be 'grandfathered' as Lifetime Members of the 95TH Division Legacy Association. Otherwise, there will be no Lifetime Membership Program in this Association.
- C. Honorary Membership. Any person who by act or deed has demonstrated a special devotion to the 95TH Division may be appointed to honorary membership by the President with the advice and consent of the majority of the members of the Executive Council.
- D. Ineligible for Membership. Any person who has been dishonorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States shall be ineligible for membership in the Association.

Article IV. Officers and Executive Council

A. Officers. There shall be six (6) elected officers: a president, two (2) vice presidents, a secretary, a public affairs officer, and a treasurer. There will also be a Chaplain, appointed by the President, subject to the approval of

- the Executive Council. All officers must be active members. The Officers are responsible for conducting the day to day activities of the Association.
- B. Executive Council. There shall be an Executive Council, composed of Seven (7) active members. The Executive Council is the primary source of governance for the Association by ensuring that the Officers and Active Members adhere to the provisions of the Constitution and By-laws. It will meet, periodically, to formulate policy and to approve the business practices of and provide guidance to the Officers. The Executive Council will meet at least once per year, normally prior to the Association Reunion.
- C. Roles and Responsibilities. Roles and Responsibilities of Officers, the Executive Council and others are defined in the Association By-laws.

Article V. Meetings

- A. Meetings of the Members. Business Meetings of the members may include:
 - 1. Standing Meetings. The standing meeting of Active members of the 95TH Division Legacy Association shall be held, normally annually, in conjunction with each Association Reunion at a time and place designated by the President.
 - 2. Special Meetings. A special meeting of Active members may be called by the President with the concurrence of the Executive Council.
- B. Meetings of Officers and the Executive Council.
 - 1. The Officers and Executive Council shall meet, as required, as designated by the President.
 - 2. Meetings of the Executive Council may also be called by the Chairman of the Executive Council.
 - 3. Meetings may be conducted in person or via teleconference.
 - 4. Meetings announcements should provide at least 30 days' notice when travel is involved and at least two weeks for teleconference meetings.
 - 5. The President will schedule a meeting of the Officers and Executive Council 3-6 months prior to the Reunion and Standing Meeting to finalize reunion plans and to set an Agenda for the

membership meeting. Several trips and/or conference calls will likely be needed with various persons in preparation for this annual gathering.

C. Quorum.

- 1. Meetings of the Members. A quorum shall consist of one half of the Active members in good standing who are in attendance at the current Reunion or Special Meeting.
- Meetings of the Officers and/or Executive Council. A quorum is four (4) members of the Executive Council. Officers normally don't vote except in matters of advice as requested by the President.

D. Voting.

- 1. Each Active member present at a regularly called meeting of the Association shall be entitled to one (1) vote.
- 2. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed.
- 3. Amendments to the Constitution shall require, for approval, the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Active members present at a Standing meeting.
- 4. All other matters of business, including elections of Officers, amendments to By-laws, and on such other matters as may be brought properly before a meeting, shall require for approval the affirmative vote of a majority of the Active members present.

Article VI. Dissolution The Association may be dissolved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Active members, present and voting, at any official meeting of the Members after notice of such action has been posted on the Association website and published in the Association *JOURNAL* for a period of at least 90 days. Any assets remaining after dissolution expenses have been paid shall be distributed only to a successor non-profit or other non-profit organization, as determined as part of the dissolution proceedings. The Executive Council will have oversight of dissolution activities and ensure the wishes of the membership are carried out.