

# AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS

## MANUAL AND CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

THIS MANUAL HAS BEEN PREPARED TO PROVIDE PROSPECTIVE SACK UNITS DATA REGARDING THE HISTORY, STRUCTURE, LEIGIBILITY, AND PROGRAM OF THE NATIONAL AMVETS SAD SACKS ORGANIZATION. THIS WILL ALSO GIVE A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF PROCEDURE FOR COMPLETING THE FORMS WHICH ARE REQUIRED FOR THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL AMVETS SAD SACKS. THE "FUN AND HONOR GROUP" OF AMVETS. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS – (JUST AS YOU DID IN THE MILITARY!).

### BRIEF HISTORY

BECAUSE THE CONVENTION WAS TO BE HELD IN SANTA BARBARA, THAD MALES WAS ASKED TO MUSTER A FEW OF THE AMVETS WHO MADE THE LARGEST CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NEW DEPARTMENT AND ORGANIZE THEM AS "SAD SACKS" FOR THE CONVENTION, WHICH HE AGREED TO DO, AT JACK HARDYS' SUGGESTION. THAD MILES BECAME THE FIRST SADDEST SAD SACK.

UPON ARRIVING IN SANTA BARBARA, ONE OF THE AMVETS WENT TO A FEED STORE AND SECURED GUNNYSACKS, WHICH WERE CUT OUT FOR THE HEAD AND ARMS. EIGHT OR TEN OF THE GUYS STOOD IN THE MEETING HALL IN THEIR "SACK" AND ANNOUNCED THAT WAS THE BEGINNING OF "SAD SACKS". SO NOW WE KNOW HOW IT ALL GOT UNDER WAY!!!

NOTE: A FEW WORDS OF EXPLANATION: THE SACKETTES ARE NOT PART OF THE SAD SACKS PER S.E.C. THEY ARE AFFILIATED WITH THE AMVETS AUXILIARY AND COME UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION. THEIR MEMBERSHIP THEREFORE IS LIMITED TO MEMBERS OF THE AMVETS AUXILIARY ONLY.

**OFFICERS TITLES**

THE FOLLOWING SACK OFFICERS’ TITLES ARE LISTED WITH THEIR AMVET COUNTERPART IN AN EFFORT THAT YOU MAY BETTER RELATE TO THE TEXT THAT FOLLOWS. THESE TITLES ARE USED ON THE LOCAL, STATE DEPARTMENT AND NATIONAL LEVELS.

**SAD SACK OFFICER TITLES**

**AMVETS OFFICE TITLES**

SADDEST SAD SACK -----	COMMANDER
ALMOST SADDEST SAD SACK-----	MEMBERSHIP VC
ALMOST NOT QUITE-----	PROGRAMS VC
FEATHERS-----	ADJUTANT
MONEY BAGS-----	FINANCE OFFICER
HOOSEGOW-----	PROVOST MARSHAL
SQUIRE-----	JUDGE ADVOCATE
SOLEMEST-----	CHAPLIAN
CRABBIEST-----	QUARTERMASTER
NOSEYEST-----	PUBLIC RELATONS
CUT-UP-----	INSPECTOR GENERAL
WORM-----	HISTORIAN
WAILER-----	(CRY BABY)
RAT FINK-----	(TATTLE TAIL)
EXTRA BAGS-----	DISTRICT COMMANDER

**NOTES**

WELL: THE OFFICE OF FEATHERS AND MONEYBAGS MAY BE COMBINED ON THE LOCAL AND DEPARTMENT LEVELS TO FORM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, AS IS THE CASE WITH NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF SAD SACKS.

NATIONAL: THERE IS A SPECIAL PROVISION FOR THE OFFICE OF “ EXTRA BAGS” WHICH IS EQUIVALENT TO NATIONAL DISTRICT COMMANDER.

DEPARTMENT: THERE IS A PROVISION FOR A NATIONAL SACKER SAD SACK (NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN) AND AN ALTERNATE NATIONAL SACKER SAD SACK (ALTERNATE NATIONAL COMMITTEEMAN).

**STRUCTURE**

SAD SACKS IS TH ITUALLI DIVISION- THE “ FUN AND HONOR” GROUP OF AMVETS AND IS A SUBSIDIARY OF AMVETS WITH ITS HEADQUARTERS LOCATED AT 4647 FORBES BLVD., LANHAM, MARYLAND, 20706.

IT IS DIVIDED INTO SIX (6) GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRICTS AS IS OUR PARENT ORGANIZATION, AMVETS. EACH NATIONAL DISTRICT IS HEADED BY AN “EXTRA BAG” (NATIONAL DISTRICT COMMANDER) WHOSE DUTY IT IS TO OVERSEE THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT SADDESTS (DEPARTMENT COMMANDER) IN HIS RESPECTIVE DISTRICT.

## DEPARTMENTS

DEPARTMENTS ARE CHARTERED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK (NATIONAL COMMANDER) AS PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL SAD SACK CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS. DEPARTMENTS ARE ORGANIZED WHEN A MINIMUM OF FOUR (4) SACK UNITS HAS BEEN FORMED WITHIN THAT STATE.

SAD SACK DEPARTMENTS ARE AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT THEIR OWN STATE SCRIMMAGES, WHICH MUST BE HELD PRIOR TO THE AMVETS STATE CONVENTION. AT THIS ANNUAL SCRIMMAGE, THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS ARE ELECTED: ALL DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, THE NATIONAL SACKER SAD SACK AND THE NATIONAL ALTERNATE SACKER SAD SACK (NEC & ALTERNATE NEC), AND ALL DELEGATES FOR THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE.

DEPARTMENTS ARE GOVERNED BY THEIR OWN CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS THAT IS ALWAYS SUBJECT TO AND CAN NOT CONFLICT WITH THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

## ELIGIBILITY

A LOCAL AMVETS POST WITH A MEMBERSHIP OF 50 OR MORE MEMBERS OR A GROUP OF TWO (2) OR MORE AMVETS POSTS WITH A COMBINED MEMBERSHIP OF 50 OR MORE MEMBERS, MAY FORM A SACK UNIT SUBJECT TO THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS. AND THOSE OF THEIR DEPARTMENT IF ONE EXISTS.

SAD SACK UNITS (POSTS) HAVE BEEN FORMED IN DEPARTMENT AND NON-DEPARTMENT STATES SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. A LIST IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

LOCAL SACK UNITS HOLD THEIR SCRIMMAGES AT A NOT TO INTERFERE WITH THE POST MEETINGS AN IN ACCORDANCE TO THEIR OWN CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS THAT ARE SUBJECT TO AND CAN NOT CONFLICT WITH DEPARTMENT OR NATIONAL C/BL.

### **FOR MEMBERSHIP:**

THERE HAVE BEEN MANY INQUIRES REGARDING THE NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS FOR BECOMING A SAD SACK, AS IT APPEARS THAT MANY AMVETS HAVE BEEN MISSINFORMED. IN AN EFFORT TO CLEAR UP ANY MIS-INFORMATION, OR LACK THEREOF, THE FOLLOWING ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS AS ADOPTED IN BOSTON, MA.

- 1) MUST HAVE BEEN AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF AMVETS IN GOOD STANDING FOR A PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN ONE (1) YEAR. (THIS IS THE FIRST STEP AND MUST BE ADHEARED TO STRICTLY IN ALL CASES- THARE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS).
  - 2) IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE CONDITION, TWO (2) OF THE THREE (3) FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS ARE ALSO NECESSARY.
    - A) MUST HAVE HELD AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED AMVETS OFFICE, EITHER LOCAL, STATE OR NATIONAL.
    - B) MUST HAVE SIGNED UP FIVE (5) NEW MEMBERS FOR AMVETS IN THE PAST YEAR APPLICATION IS BEING MADE.
    - C) MUST HAVE RENDERED OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO AMVETS ON ANY OR ALL LEVELS.
- IF THE ABOVE ELIGIBILITY EQUIREMENTS ARE MET A PROSPECTIVE MEMBER IS READY FOR HIS INVITATION TO BECOME A SAD SACK.

NOTE: THESE QUALIFICATIONS ARE THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AS SET DOWN BY THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS. LOCAL UNITS MAY OPT FOR MORE STRINGENT RULES, WHICH SHOULD BE INCORPORATED IN THEIR LOCAL C/BL.

## **CHARTERS**

PROCEDURE FOR CHARTER APPLICATION:

APPLICATION IS MADE THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT, IF ONE EXISTS, BY FORWARDING TWO (2) CHARTER APPLICATION (CAP) FORMS ACCOMPANIED BY TWO (2) DUES & REMITTANCE FORMS (D&R) PROPERLY FILLED OUT, TWO (2) QUALIFICATION (QLF) FORMS ON EACH NEW MEMBER. A CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO AMVETS DEPARTMENT (STATE) SAD SACKS FOR THE AMOUNT OF DUES OWED THE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR PORTION (GET THIS INFORMATION FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT SADDEST FEATHERS OR MONEY-BAGS). A CHECK MADE OUT TO NATIONAL AMVETS SAD SACKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7.01 PER MEMBER FOR THE AMOUNT OWED NATIONAL FOR THEIR PORTION MUST BE FORWARDED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS UPON ARRIVAL OF THE APPLICATION.

IF THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT IN YOUR STATE, FORWARD ALL NECESSARY FORMS AND MONIES TO THE NATIONAL DEPARTMENT AND, UPON APPROVAL, A CHARTER WILL BE ISSUED.

IN ORDER TO RETAIN A CHARTER AFTER IT IS ISSUED, EACH SACK UNIT MUST MAINTAIN AT LEAST TEN (10) PAID UP MEMBERS AND MEET THE REVAIDATION REQUIREMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN SET FORTH IN THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

## **FORMS**

**GENERAL PROCEDURE: THESE RULES APPLY TO ALL FORMS:**

- 1) FOLLOW SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS ON RESPECTIVE FORM.
- 2) TYPE ALL INFORMATION EXCEPT SIGNATURE.
- 3) EACH FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY THE SADDEST, FEATHERS OR MONEY-BAGS, WHATEVER THE CASE.
- 4) MAKE OUT ALL FORMS IN TRIPPLICATE- SEND ORIGINAL TO NATIONAL HDQTRS. SEND A COPY TO YOUR DEPARTMENT, IF ONE EXISTS, AND RETAIN ONE COPY FOR YOUR LOCAL FILES. " I " REPEAT SEND ONLY ONE COPY TO NATIONAL.
- 5) P.O. ABBREVIATIONS ARE USED – AK, AZ, CA, FL, IL, IN, WI, ETC.
- 6) TO BE UPDATED ANNUALLY.
- 7) SAD SACK NUMBERS UNITS TO BE PUBLISHED ANNUALLY.

STATE: USE P/O/ ABBREVIATION AS LISTED ABOVE.

KNOWN AS: TYPE OUT FULL NAME OF SACK UNIT.

SADDEST PHONE #, NECESSARY FOR IMMEDIATE CONTACT.

TYPE: TYPE L IF LIFE MEMBER, TYPE R FOR RENEWEL (IF SOMEONE TRANSFERS FROM ANOTHER UNIT HE IS CONSIDERED A RENEWAL TO NATIONAL SAD SACKS BECAUSE HE IS ON RECORD- USE TRANSFER FORM TO INDICATE HE IS NEW TO YOUR UNIT) OR N FOR NEW MEMBER.

### **DUES AND REMITTANCE (D&R)**

- 1) BE CERTAIN TO FILL IN THE SPACES FOR CHECK #, AMOUNT, YEAR, AND NUMBER OF MEMBERS PAID AT THE TOP OF THE PAGE.
- 2) MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE NAMES ON THE D & R APPEARS, AS YOU WANT THEM ON THE MEMBERSHIP CARDS. THEY WILL BE PROCESSED ACCORDINGLY. REISSUE OF CARDS WILL COST \$1.01.  
NOTE: THE PERSON CERTIFYING (IT IS USUALLY THE FEATHERS OR MONEY-BAGS) IS NOT NECESSARILY THE PERSON WHO DISTRIBUTES THE CARDS. PLEASE INDICATE WHO SHALL RECEIVE THE CARDS.
- 3) FORWARD CHANGE OF ADDRESS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

### **QUALIFICATION FORM (QLF)**

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SIGNED BY THE POST COMMANDER, THE SADDEST OR FEATHERS AND THE SACK MEMBER, WHO IS SPONSORING THE NEW MEMBER (YARDBIRD).

NOTE:

A MEMBER IS CONSIDERED NEW AND MUST FILL OUT A QFL IF HE/SHE IS NOT LISTED ON THE PROCEEDING YEARS D & R.

### **CHANGE OF OFFICERS (COO)**

THIS FORM IS ONLY ONE WHICH HAS TWO (2) SIDES AND SERVES MULTI-PURPOSES.

- 1) IT SERVES AS A YEARLY OFFICERS LIST- THIS FORM MUST BE SENT ANNUALLY TO NATIONAL SAD SACK HDQTRS BY JULY 10TH AND REACH NATIONAL BY JULY 15<sup>TH</sup>, ALL SAD SACKS ELECTIONS MUST TAKE PLACE BEFORE THE ANNUAL AMVETS STATE CONVENTION WHICH ENDS BY JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>.
- 2) IT SERVES AS A CHANGE OF OFFICER LIST- IF ILLNESS OR OTHER EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES FORCES A CHANGE IN OFFICERS, THIS FORM IS SENT IN NO LATER THAN 10 DAYS AFTER THE CHANGE.
- 3) IT SERVES AS A MAILING LIST FOR YOUR SACK UNIT – NO MAIL WILL BE RECEIVED UNLESS THIS FORM IS SUBMITTED.
- 4) IT SERVES AS A REVALIDATION LIST – THE BACK OF THIS FORM CONTAINS INQUIRIES PERTINENT AS THE IRS REQUIRED, THIS WILL SUFFICE FOR REVALIDATION, PLEASE FILL OUT IN ITS ENTIRETY.

### **TRANSFER FORMS (TRF)**

OBTAIN THE SIGNATURES OF THE SADDEST OR FEATHERS OF BOTH THE FORMER (OLD) AND PRESENT (NEW) SACK UNITS. THIS ELIMINATES THE CONFUSION THAT THE UNIT WAS NOT NOTIFIED.

DECEASED MEMBER FORM (DMF)

THIS IS RATHER SELF-EXPLANATORY, FORWARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND MAKE CERTAIN THAT YOU GIVE THE DATE OF DEATH AS THIS IS MADE A PERMANENT RECORD AND USED FOR THE ALLUAL NATIONAL MEMORIAM SERVICES.

ALSO, INDICATE IF A MEMORIAM CERTIFICATE IS DESIRED AND WHERE IT SHOULD BE MAILED.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

SMALL TABLE, WHITE CLOTH, BIBLE, RED ROSE, WHITE CARNATION, SMALL AMERICAN FLAGS, CANDLES, CANDLE HOLDERS, AND VASES. PROPER DRESS CODE, NO SHORTS ALLOWED.

THE **SOLEMNEST** SPREADS THE WHITE CLOTH ON THE TABLE AND PLACES THE BIBLE OPENED HALFWAY ON THE CLOTH, THE RED ROSE IS THEN PLACED DIAGONALLY ACROSS THE BIBLE.

THE **SADDEST** AT THIS TIME WILL HAVE OUR MEMORIAL SERVICE HONORING THOSE OF OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE ANSWERED THEIR LAST CALL

(SOLEMNEST WILL NOW TAKE OVER THE SERVICE)

**SOLEMNEST**: THE FEATHERS WILL NOW CALL THE ROLL OF OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

**FEATHERS**: CALL THE ROLL OF ALL DEPARTED IN THE PAST YEAR- SACK UNIT #, CITY, DEPARTMENT OR STATE, NAME, AND DATE.

**SOLEMNEST**: YOU HAVE HEARD THE ROLL CALL OF OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS AND SISTERS THIS MEMORIAL SERVICE IS ESPECIALLY DEDICATED TO THEM. THEY HAVE BEEN CALLED TO JOIN THE SUPREME BEING ABOVE, LET US STAND WITH ARMS FOLDED AND HEADS BOWED IN TRIBUTE TO THE, (AS SACKS ARE STANDING- SOLEMNEST REPEATS THE NAME ONLY OF THE DEPARTED)

**SADDEST**: WE STAND IN REVERENCE TO THEE, WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED TO JOIN THE SUPREME BEING ABOVE, WE LOVED THEE HERE, AND THOU HAS PASSED FROM US, YET SHALT THOU EVER LIVE IN OUR MEMORY, AND WHILE WE MOURN THY LOSS, WE SHALL STRIVE TO EMULATE THY VIRTUES. HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME TO THEE IN OUR AFFLICTION, LET THY TENDERNESS AND COMPASSION TOUCH THE HEARTS OF US ALL FATHER. GRANT US THE STRENGTH TO BEAR THE BURDEN THY WISDOM HAS IMPOSED UPON US, AND MAKE US STRONG TO BATTLE WITH THE EVILS AND TEMPTATIONS OF THIS LIFE SO THAT WHEN OUR CALL IS SOUNDED, WE TOO MAY GATHER IN THY PRESENCE. WE ASK THIS IN THY NAME. AMEN

(AT THE CONCLUSION, THE **SOLEMNEST** REMOVES THE RED ROSE, CLOSES THE BIBLE, PLACES THE RED ROSE ON THE TOP OF THE CLOSED BIBLE, AND RETURNS TO HIS STATION.)

## NURSES SCHOLARSHIPS

THE NURSES' SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IS THE ONE AND ONLY PROGRAM OF THE AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS. THIS PROGRAM IS FUNDED BY PERSONAL DONATIONS AS WELL AS THOSE FROM SACK UNITS AND DEPARTMENTS. A CONTRIBUTION OF \$1.01 PER MEMBER (OVER AND ABOVE MEMBERSHIP DUES OF \$7.01 IF THERE IS A DEPARTMENT, OR \$6.51 IF THE UNIT IS IN A NON-DEPARTMENT.) ENTITLES A SACK UNIT TO THREE (3) SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS- (APS), WHEREAS, A CONTRIBUTION OF \$25.01 OR MORE WILL ENTITLE A DEPARTMENT THE THREE (3) APS, FROM TIME TO TIME, SPECIAL RAFFLES MAY BE EARMARKED FOR THE PURPOSE.

THE APS ARE MAILED OUT IN LATE SEPTEMBER TO ALL ELIGIBLE CONTRIBUTORS, THE SACK OR DEPARTMENT MAY ELECT TO AWARD THE APS TO A STUDENT, FIVE (5) OF THEIR CHOICE OR THE HOSPITAL CHAIRMAN. (IN CHARGE OF NURSES SCHOLARSHIPS) MAY CARRY THESE TO THE SCHOOL OF NURSING (SON) OF HIS CHOICE (YOU MAY WISH TO INVOLVE THREE (3) DIFFERENT (SON). THESE ARE GIVEN TO THE SCHOOL OF NURSING (DON) WHO, IN TURN, WILL AWARD THESE TO THE MOST DESERVING STUDENTS. THE SELECTION OF THESE STUDENTS WETHER IT BE BY THE UNIT OR (DON) IS BASED ON, FIRST, FINANCIAL NEED, AND

SECONDLY, SCHOLASTIC ABILITY. THE APS MUST BE FILLED OUT IN THEIR ENTIRETY IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED. THEY SHOULD BE PICKED UP BY THE SAD SACK REPRESENTATIVE AND SHOULD BE IN THE HANDS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN BY 6 PM FRIDAY NIGHT OF SPRING NES.

JUDGING IS DONE AT THE SPRING NES BY THE NATIONAL HOSPITAL CHAIRMAN AND HIS COMMITTEE, THE THREE (3) RECIPIENTS, THEIR S.O.N. AND THE SPONSORING UNITS, ARE NOTIFIED BY MAIL DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL THE CHECKS ARE MAILED TO THE S.O.N. IN TIME FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR.

### **CEREMONY OF INITIATION**

FIRST SECTION: INTRODUCTORY-INSTRUCTIONAL AND ADMINISTERING OF THE OBLIGATION

MSSS: HOOSGOW SAD SACK, YOU WILL ASCERTAIN IF THERE ARE ANY CANDIDATES IN WAITING. (HOOSGOW RETIRES, GETS NAMES OF CANDIDATES AND RETURNS TO THE HALL AND REPORTS.)

HG; MOST SSS, I FIND THE FOLLOWING YARD BIRDS IN WAITING WHO DESIRE TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THIS SACK ( READ NAMES).

MSSS; FEATHERS SS, ARE THESE YARD BIRDS QUALIFIED FOR MEMBERSHIP, AND HAVE THE NECESSARY MONETARY REQUIREMENTS BEEN COMPLIED WITH?

FSS; MOST SSS, THEY HAVE MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS, THE FEES HAVE BEEN PAID AND THEY ARE ELIGIBLE TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

MSSS; (RAPS GAVEL TWICE) MEMBERS OF THE DEGREE TEAM WILL TAKE THEIR RESPECTIVE STATIONS, HOOSGOW SS, YOU WILL PRESENT THE YARD BIRDS FOR INITIATION, LET NO EFFORT BE SPARED IN MAKING THIS AN OCCASION WHICH THE CANDIDATES WILL LONG REMEMBER. (HSS RETIRES AND ANY CHANGES IN OFFICERS THAT ARE NECESSARY ARE MADE AT THIS TIME).

HSS: RAPS ON OUTER DOOR- (GUARD OPENS DOOR AND INQUIRIES):

GUARD: WHO GOES THERE?

HSS: A YARD BIRD WHO DESIRES TO BECOME A DULY QUALIFIED MEMBER OF SAD SACKS, THE ITALLI DIVISION OF AMVETS.

GUARD: HSS YOU WILL ESCORT HIM/THEM TO ALMOST SSS WHO WILL INSTRUCT HIM/THEM IN THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF SAD SACKS. (HSS ESCORTS THEM TO AMSSS).

HSS: AMSSS, I PRESENT THESE YARD BIRDS FOR INSTRUCTIONS IN THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF SAD SACKS.

AMSSS: YARD BIRDS, BEFORE TAKING THE OBLIGATION OF SAD SACKS, IT IS NECESSARY THAT YOU HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION. SAD SACKS ARE THE HONORARY DIVISION OF AMVETS. WE, WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OR OUR ALLIES BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 16, 1940 AND THE DATE OF CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES, AS ESTABLISHED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND WHO ARE IN GOOD STANDING IN THE "AMVETS" AMERICAN

VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, KOREA, AND VIETNAM, AND THOSE WHO SERVED OR ARE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES THEREAFTER, DO HEREBY UNITE TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT, NONPARTISAN, NON-SECTARIAN ORGANIZATION.

- 1) THE MAIN PURPOSE OF "SAD SACKS" IS TO PROMOTE –"AMVETS"
- 2) THE OBJECT OF THE ORGANIZATION IS TO BE THE OFFICIAL FUN GROUP OF THE "AMVETS" AMERICAN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, KOREA, AND VIETNAM, AND THOSE WHO SERVED OR ARE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES, THEREAFTER, TO PROMOTE GOOD FELLOWSHIP AMONG THE MEMBERS AND TO KEEP ALIVE THE SPIRIT OF OPTIMISM AND HUMOR THAT IS SO CHARACTERISTIC OF THE AMERICAN SERVICEMAN.
- 3) TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF ALL VETERANS AND SERVICE PERSONNEL, TO THE END THAT THEY BE AFFORDED AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY WITH ALL OTHERS, IN MAINTAINING A HIGH STANDARD OF LIVING AND ACQUIRING EDUCATIONAL, AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING THAT WILL FIT THEM TO TAKE THEIR PROPER POSITIONS IN THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LIFE OF THE NATION.

AMSSS: HSS, YOU WILL ESCORT THE YARD BIRDS TO THE SOLEMNEST SS WHO WILL GIVE HIM/THEM THE OBLIGATION. (HSS ESCORTS CANDIDATES TO THE S/SS AND SAYS)

HSS: SOLEMNEST SS, I PRESENT THIS/THESE YARD BIRDS WHO ARE DULY QUALIFIED TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE SACK AND HAVE RECEIVED INSTRUCTION AS TO THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF SAD SACKS, IN ORDER THAT HE/THEY RECEIVE OUR OBLIGATION.

SOLEMNEST SS: (RAPS GAVEL 3 TIMES AND ALL MEMBERS STAND). YARD BIRDS, BEFORE YOU CAN PROCEED FURTHER IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO TAKE A SOLEMN AND BINDING OBLIGATION WHICH ALL WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE YOU HAVE TAKEN. AND WHICH BINDS THIS SACK INTO ONE SELECT GROUP, UNITED IN A COMMON CAUSE, THAT OF CARRYING OUT THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF SAD SACKS, THE ITAUALLI DIVISION OF AMVETS. YOU WILL PLACE YOUR LEFT HAND OVER YOUR HEART, RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND REPEAT AFTER ME, USING YOUR NAME WHERE I USE MINE....

"I \_\_\_\_\_ DO HEREBY SOLEMNLY PROMISE THAT I WILL EVER BEAR TRUE FAITH AND ALLEGIANCE TO MY STATE AND NATION, AND WILL OPPOSE WITH ALL MY POWER AND SUBVERSIVE MOVEMENTS AGAINST THEM. THAT I WILL ALWAYS AID ANY WORTHY DISTRESSED FELLOW VETERAN TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY AND THAT I WILL HOLD MY MEMBERSHIP IN AMVETS AND SAD SACKS ABOVE ANY SELFISH INTEREST AND WILL DO ALL IN MY POWER TO MAKE THEM THE OUTSTANDING VETERAN'S ORGANIZATION OF ALL TIME. I FURTHER PROMISE AND SWEAR THAT I WILL NEVER KNOWINGLY COMMIT ANY ACT WHILE WEARING ANY PART OF THE SAD SACK UNIFORM THAT WOULD BRING DISCREDIT OR CRITICISM TO SAD SACKS OR AMVETS, AND WILL USE ALL OF MY INFLUENCE TO PREVENT OTHERS FROM DOING SO. AND I PROMISE ON MY HONOR AS AN AMVET AND SAD SACK – SO HELP ME GOD"

MSSS: I SINCERELY HOPE THAT YOU WILL BECOME PROFICIENT IN THE WORKS OF SAD SACKS AND THAT THE LESSONS TO BE LEARNED WILL BE OF LASTING BENEFIT TO YOU AND ALL SACKS.

THE HOOSEGOW SS WILL NOW TAKE YOU IN CHARGE, AND YOU WILL RETIRE FROM THE HALL FOR A FEW MINUTES AFTER WHICH YOU WILL BE RETURNED FOR FURTHER ORIENTATION OF THE MYSTIC RITE OF SAD SACKS, THE ITAUALLI DIVISION OF SAD SACKS.

HSS: YOU WILL CONDUCT THE CANDIDATES TO THE OUTER ROOM AND REMAIN THERE UNTIL RECALLED, (HSS LEADS THE WAY TO THE DOOR, THE GUARD OPENS THE DOOR AND STEPS OUTSIDE TO OBSERVE.) AS THE HSS TURNS AWAY FROM MSSS AND THE GUARD STEPS UP AND BLOCKS THE DOORWAY, THE HSS PLACES HIS MOUTH TO THE MAN'S EAR BUT SAYS NOTHING – HE IS ALLOWED TO PASS AND THE FIRST CANDIDATE IN LINE IS STOPPED IN THE SAME MANNER – THE NON-GUARD TURNS HIS EAR TOWARD THE CANDIDATE AS I TO RECEIVE THE PASSWORD – IF THE CANDIDATE FORGETS HIS INSTRUCTIONS AND GIVES THE WORD LET HIM PASS AND TAKE EACH SUCCESSIVE MAN IN THE SAME MANNER, AFTER ALL HAVE LEFT THE HALL AND SHOULD ANY OR ALL OF THEM HAVE GIVEN THE WORD, THE GUARD ENTERS THE HALL CLOSES THE DOOR AND ADDRESSES THE MSSS.

GUARD: OH, MOST SSS, I HAVE JUST WITNESSED A BETRAYAL OF OUR TRUST BY AND I DEMAND THAT JUSTICE BE DONE.

MSSS: (ORDERS GUARD TO HAVE HSS RETURN CANDIDATES TO THE HALL), AFTER THEY RETURN AND ARE SEATED, THE GUARD:

GUARD: MOST SSS, THIS/THESE MAN/MEN HAVE JUST VIOLATED HIS/THEIR OBLIGATION BY REVEALING THE WORD TO THIS INTERLOPER WHO HAPPENED TO BLOCK HIS WAY, AND THIS MAN IS NEITHER A WATCHMAN, A SENTRY, OR A GUARD.

MSSS: MY FRIEND THIS IS A SERIOUS CHARGE, AND THE OFFENSE IS SUBJECT TO SERIOUS ACTION. WHAT EXCUSE HAVE YOU TO OFFER FOR GIVING THE WORD WITHOUT FIRST SATISFYING YOURSELF THAT THE MAN [TO](#)

SOLEMNEST: YOU WILL DROP YOUR HANDS AND REPEAT THE SAD SACK MOTTO AFTER ME, USING YOUR NAME WHERE I USE MINE

“I AS EACH DAY ENDS AND ITS CARES SUBSIDE WILL RUMINATE ON MY USELESS EXISTENCE AND PAST TRIBULATIONS AND THEREAFTER BECOME AN ACTIVE SAD SACK, WHEREUPON I WILL NATURALLY MIGRATE TO THE SPOT, WHERE GATHER MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS. THERE I WILL GIVE EAR TO THE BEATING OF THE GUMS, THE CHIPPING OF THE TEETH AND THE CRYING INTO LIQUIDS, YEA I WILL JOIN YOU, OH BROTHERS AND SISTERS!

S/SS: NOW THAT YOU HAVE BEEN OBLIGATED TO THE SACK AND ITS MEMBERS, YOU WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE MOST SADDEST SAD SACK WHO HAS A FEW WORDS OF TIMELY ADVICE FOR YOU.

H/SS YOU WILL PRESENT THE CANDIDATES TO THE MSSS. (HSS CONDUCTS CANDIDATES TO MSSS).

IT IS EXTREME PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT TO YOU THIS/THESE CANDIDATES WHO HAVE QUALIFIED FOR MEMBERSHIP AND HAVE RECEIVED OUR OBLIGATION.

MSSS: MY FRIENDS IT IS WITH EXTREME PLEASURE THAT I WELCOME YOU INTO, NATIONAL SAD SACKS, THE ITAUALY DIVISION OF AMVETS, WHICH WAS CONCEIVED FOR THE PURPOSE OF AIDING AMVETS AS A WHOLE AND TO AN OLD ADAGE WHICH GOES SOMETHING LIKE THIS:

A LITTLE NONSENSE NOW AND THEN – IS RELISHED BY THE BEST OF MEN”

SAD SACKS GO IN FOR GOOD, CLEAN FUN, AND OUR ACTIVITIES ARE DEDICATED TO THAT END, AT THE SAME TIME KEEPING EVER IN MIND OUR OBLIGATION AND OUR DUTY TO PROMOTE THE CAUSE OF AMVETS, BOTH AS AN ORGANIZATION AND AS INDIVIDUALS.

YOU WILL BE CALLED UPON TO SERVE ON VARIOUS COMMITTEES, AND YOU WILL BE EXPECTED TO GIVE UNSTINTEDLY OF YOUR TIME, AND EFFORT IN HELPING TO FULFILL THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF SAD SACKS. YOU WERE ELECTED TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE SACK BECAUSE OF SOME SERVICE RENDERED TO AMVETS, AS WERE ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, AND IN BECOMING A SAD SACK YOU WILL BE EXPECTED TO RESPOND READILY WHEN CALLED UPON FOR FURTHER SERVICE. YOU ARE CONGRATULATED FOR YOU'RE PAST CONDUCT AND COOPERATION AND ARE A CREDIT TO THIS ORGANIZATION. THERE IS NO SECRET WORK, CONNECTED WITH SAD SACKS EXCEPT THE NOVICE PASSWORD, WHICH I NOW IMPACT TO YOU ( ) (GIVES WORD) THIS WORD IS SYMBOLIC OF THAT GRAND CHARACTER FROM WHICH WE DERIVE OUR NAME, AND MUST NOT BE GIVEN TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR PERSONS EXCEPT HE BE A WATCHMAN, A SENTRY, OR A GUARD AND THEN ONLY WHEN REQUESTED.

WHOM YOU GAVE IT WAS LAWFULLY ENTITLED TO RECEIVE IT?  
(CANDIDATES ARE ASKED IN TURN WHAT THEY HAVE TO OFFER IN THEIR OWN DEFENSE, IMPROMPTU DEBATE AS TO THE MERITS OF THE CASE, ETC., ARE IN ORDER AFTER WHICH THE):

MSSS: "BROTHER SACKS, YOU HAVE HEARD THE CHARGE WHAT IS YOUR PLEASURE?"

MBSS: MSSS, IN MY OPINION, THIS IS EQUIVALENT TO TREASON, IF DONE INTENTIONALLY, HOWEVER, THERE IS SOME CHANCE THAT THE MAN WAS CONFUSED AND HAD NOT ABSORBED THE SIGNIFICANCE OF HIS OBLIGATION. I BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL MAKE GOOD SACKS IF GIVEN A BREAK, THEREFORE I DO NOT MOVE THAT THE CANDIDATES BE RE-OBLIGATED. (SOME SACK THIRDS THE MOVE)

MSSS: PUTS THE MOTION WHICH ALL-PRESENT VOTE FOR.

MSSS: MOTION CARRIED, HSS YOU WILL PLACE THE CANDIDATES IN PROPER POSITION FOR RE-OBLIGATION. (HSS CAUSES CANDIDATES TO KNEEL BEFORE MSSS STATION, PLACES CONSTITUTION ON THE FLOOR IN FRONT OF EACH ONE AND CAUSES THEM TO PLACE BOTH HANDS PALMS DOWN ON THE BOOK AND PLACE FOREHEAD ON BACK OF HANDS). HSS: MSSS, THE CANDIDATES ARE IN PROPER POSITION FOR RE-OBLIGATION.

MSSS, THE MBSS WILL RE-OBLIGATE THE CANDIDATE, AFTER RE-OBLIGATION, THE MSSS DIRECTS HOOSEGOW TO SEAT THE NEW MEMBERS AND RESUME THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS, (NOTE: THIS OBLIGATION TO BE OF HUMOROUS NATURE, YET SERIOUS ENOUGH TO BE EFFECTIVE).

SECOND SECTION: ITAUALLI DEGREE

CHARTERS: IN THE ORDER OF APPEARANCE, CANDIDATE, WANDERING SAD SACK, WARRIOR, MEDICINE MAN, TRIBAL CHIEF AND CHIEF ATTENDANT

MEMBERS ASSIST THROUGHOUT THE CERMONY WITH SOUND EFFECTS AND CHANTING AS DELEGATES IN THE FOLLOWING RITUAL. (AFTER RE-OBLIGATION AT THE CLOSE OF FIRST SECTION)

SSS: (TO CANDIDATE), YOU STILL HAVE TO PROVE YOURSELF BEFORE YOU CAN BECOME A FULL-FLEDGED AND QUALIFIED MEMBER OF SAD SACKS. THE CUT-UP SAD SACK WILL EXAMINE YOU AS TO YOUR PHYSICAL FITNESS TO WITHSTAND; THE HARDSHIPS OF THE JOURNEY UPON WHICH YOU ARE ABOUT TO SET OUT. (CUT-UP EXIMINES CANDIDATE – DIPS TONGUE DEPRESSOR IN BITTER SOLUTION BEFORE DEPRESSING TONGUE AND GENERALLY CAUSES HIM AS MUCH DISCOMFORT AS IS REASONABLY POSSIBLE).

CUT-UP: I PRONOUNCE THIS YARD BIRD PHYSICALLY FIT FOR THE JOURNEY, WHICH LIES BEFORE HIM.

(CANDIDATE IS RETURNED TO OUTER ROOM AND ASSUMES PROPER CLOTHING FOR THE JOURNEY- PANTALOONS, BRA, SHORT SOCKS, AND A RIDICULOUS HAL HE THEN ACCOMPANIES WANDERING SAD SACK, WHO TAKES HIM BY THE ARM AFTER BLINDFOLDING HIM AND THEY ENTER THE HALL, AS THEY WALK SLOWLY AROUND THE ROOM. THE WSS IS TALKING).

WSS: MY FRIEND, WE ARE NOW IN THE DEPTHS OF BURLAP FOREST AND ARE ABOUT TO ENTER THE ITAUALLI JUNGLE WHICH IS INFESTED WITH WILD BEASTS. IT WAS HERE THAT OUR FIRST SAD SACK SO NEARLY LOST HIS LIFE AND WHERE EVEN YOU AND I ARE NOT SAFE. LISTEN! – TO THE NOISE OF THE JUNGLE – BIRDS, BUGS SNAKES AND WILD AND FEROCIOUS ANIMALS ARE ALL – ABOUT US. (SOUND EFFECTS FROM MEMBERS)

WSS: IT IS SAID THAT A SAVAGE TRIBE LIVES IN THE VERY DARKEST RECESSES OF THIS JUNGLE AND ARE CALLED THE ITAUALLI. THEY ARE SAID TO BE FEROCIOUS CANNIBALS, HARK!

(BEATING OF TOM-TOM IN THE DISTANCE)

WSS: THAT MUST BE THEM NOW- PERHAPS – SHOULD WE INCOUNTER THE SAVAGES, IF WE ACT FRIENDLY, OUR LIVES WILL BE SPARED. (TOM-TOM BEATS LOUDER AND LOW CHANT OF ITAUALLI, REPEATED IN RHYTHMIC CADENCE, GROWS LOUDER AND LOUDER AS THE TWO NEAR THE GATE OF THE VILLAGE AND ARE STOPPED BY A SHOUT FROM THE WARRIOR WHO IS KEEPER OF THE GATE.) WARRIOR: I SAY THERE – WHO ARE YOU?

WSWS: A WANDERING SAD SACK WITH A YARD BIRD WHO HAS LOST HIS WAY IN THE FOREST, (LOW CHANT BY MEMBERS- “ A POOR YARD BIRD WHO HAS LOST HIS WAY –SAD-SAD-SAD WARRIOR, WHAT DO YOU SEEK AT THE GATE OF THE ITAUALLI?

WSS: A CHANCE TO REST AND RECUPERATE BEFORE GOING FARTHER. (LOW CHANT “POOR YARD BIRD WHO HAS GONE ASTRAY –SAD-SAD-SAD”.)

WARRIOR: THE MEDICINE MAN MUST PASS UPON YOUR QUALIFICATIONS BEFORE YOU CAN ENTER PRESENCE OF THE GREAT TRIBAL CHIEF – FOLLOW ME.

(AS THE THREE WALK SLOWLY AROUND THE ROOM THE MEMBERS CHANT SLOWLY: “ A YARD BIRD FUNSTER OUT ON A SPRE: DOOMED FROM HERE TO ETERNITY: LORD HAVE MERCY ON SUCH AS HE –SAD –SAD- SAD. (AS THE WARRIOR WITH THE WSS AND THE YARD BIRD STOP BEFORE THE MEDICINE MAN, THE WARRIOR RAISES HIS RIGHT HAND, ARM EXTENDED 45 DEGREES TO THE FRONT FROM THE PERPENDICULAR, PALM TO THE FRONT, FINGERS SPLAYED AND MOVING AS IF CLUTCHING. MEDICINE MAN RESPONDS WITH THE SANE SIGN AND WHILE HOLDING POSE:

WARRIOR' "BEKA"

MM: "PULLA"

WARRIOR: "ITAUALLI"

MM: WHO ARE THESE STRANGERS AND WHY DO YOU BRING THEM HERE?"

WARRIOR: A WANDERING SAD SACK WITH A YARD BIRD WHO THEMSELVES CAN BEST TELL YOU WHY THEY ARE HERE.

MM: SPEAK UP, WANDERING SAD SACK – "WHY DO YOU COME TO THE ITAUALLI?"

WSS: 'OH GREAT ONE – AS I WANDERED AIMLESSLY THROUGHLY THE BURLAP FOREST I CAME UPON THIS POOR YARD BIRD WHO HAS LOST HIS WAY AND IS TIRED AND THIRSTY. KNOWING OF THE NOBLE ITAUALLI, I HAVE BROUGHT HIM HERE IN THE HOPE THAT HE MIGHT REST AWILE AND THAT YOU WOULD PROVIDE WATER WITH WHICH TO QUENCH HIS THIRST. ALL WE ASK, OH GREAT ONE, IS A SHORT REST AND WATER-WATER.

MM:"AYE, REST I WILL PROVIDE FOR YOU AFTER WHICH I SHALL SEND YOU TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS- CHIEF OF THE ITAUALLI!"

(MEMBERS CHANT SLOWLY: " BEKA-PULLA-ITAUALLI-ONE TIME ONLY.) THE MEDICINE MAN PROVIDES A SEAT UPON WHICH BOTH THE WSS AND THE CANDIDATE ARE SEATED – (AS SOON AS BOTH ARE COMFORTABLE SETTLED, A BUTTON IS PRESSED AND BOTH ARISE QUICKLY)

MM: WHAT? RESTED SO SOON? WELL BE ON YOUR WAY AND – IF YOU MEET WITH FAVOR THE CHIEF WILL HIMSELF PROVIDE YOU WITH WATER TO QUENCH YOUR THRIST. (ALL MEMBERS IN CHORUS)

"BEKA-PULLA-ITAUALLI" (THEN CIRCLE THE ROOM THREE (3) TIMES WHILE TOM-TOM BEATS SOFTLY) – ARRIVING AT THE THRONE OF THE CHIEF. THE WARRIOR GIVES THE SAME SIGN AS AT THE PREVIOUS STATIONS. (THE MEDICINE MAN)

WARRIOR: "BEKA"

CHIEF: PULLA

WARRIOR: ITAUALLI

(CHIEF THEN RETURNS SALUTE OF WARRIOR AND BOTH DROP HANDS TO SIDE)"

CHIEF: "WHO ARE YOU AND WHY DO YOU SEEK AUDIENCE WITH THE CHIEF OF THE GREAT TRIBE ITAUALLI?"

WSS: "OH, GREAT CHIEF, I AM BUT A POOR WANDERING SAD SACK, WHO WHILE WANDERING AIMLESSLY IN THE BURLAP FOREST NEAR THE EDGE OF THE ITAUALLI JUNGLE, CAME UPON A POOR YARD BIRD WHO IS WEARY AND HAS A GREAT THIRST - WE HAVE PASSED THRU THE GREAT DANGERS OF THE DEEP RECESSES OF THE FOREST AND THE TERRORS OF THE JUNGLE – HAVE PASSED THE SCRUTINIZING EYE OF THE MEDICINE MAN, AND NOW, WE BEG OF YOU WATER THAT OUR THIRST MAY BE SATISFIED."

CHIEF: KNOW YOU THAT IF, I GIVE YOU WATER FOR YOUR THRIST, AND YOU PARTAKE OF IT, THAT YOU BECOME BLOOD BROTHERS OF THE TRIBE ITAUALLI?"

WSS: THAT WE DID NOT KNOW –BUT- OH MIGHTY CHIEF, WE ARE WILLING THAT IT BE EVEN SO"

CHIEF: " THEN APPROACH- I GIVE YOU WATER – THAT YOUR THIRST MAY BE RELIEVED."

(THEY STEP FORWARD UPON THE CERMONIAL CARPET – THE CHIEF HANDS EACH A GLASS OF WATER – TAKING THE THIRD GLASS HIMSELF – RAISES HIS OWN GLASS AND SAYS:)  
CHIEF: RAISE @ OUR CUP IN A PLEDGE – REPEAT AFTER ME – “TO OUR BLOOD BROTHERS – BEKA – PULLA – ITAUALLI.”

CHIEF: ”NOW DRINK DEEPLY”

(AS THEY ALL TOUCH THE CUP TO THEIR LIPS, PUSH BUTTON, THE LITTLE OLD WIRED RUG WILL DO THE REST).

CHIEF: “NOW THAT YOUR THIRST HAS BEEN RELIEVED – YOU WILL BE SEATED ON MY RIGHT IN ORDER THAT YOU MAY PAY HOMAGE AND RESPECT BY THE TRIBESMEN OF THE GREAT ITAUALLI”

WSS AND CANDIDATE ARE SEATED – THE CHIEF THEN SITS UPON HIS THRONE AND HIS MAN IN WAITING, THE ATTENDENT WITH THE EXTENDED ARMS SAYS:

ATTENDANT: “ YOU WILL SIGNIFY YOUR WILLINGNESS TO BECOME A BLOOD BROHER AND A TRIBESMAN BY GIVING THIS SIGN.”

(AS CANDIDATE RESPONDS TO THE SIGN – THE CHAIR IS TRIPPED)

THE CANDIDATE IS THEN PLACED STANDING BEFORE THE CHIEF WHO WELCOMES HIM INTO THE TRIBE AS A FULL FLEDGED MEMBER OF SAD SACKS – THE ITAUALLI DIVISION OF AMVETS, THE WORD ITAUALLI AS WELL AS THE WORDS BEKA, AND PULLA, ARE TRANSLATED TO HIM IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE. ADJOURNMENT IS IN ORDER AFTER THE NEW MEMBER HAS BEEN GIVEN A CHANCE TO SAY A FEW WORDS. REFRESHMENTS SHOULD ALWAYS BE SERVED AFTER WORK IN THIS SECTION.

### **CLOSING SAD SACK PARYER**

TO BE USED AT ALL MEETING OF SAD SACKS.

OUR HEAVENLY FATHER GUIDES US, GUARD AND KEEP US AS WE GO OUR SEVERAL WAYS. BLESS THOU OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS AND SISTERS. KEEP THY WATCHFUL EYE ON AMVETS, SAD SACKS, AMVETS AUXILIARIES, SACKETTES, JUNIORS AMVETS, AND SONS OF AMVETS. GIVE US THE STRENGTH AND POWER TO BE OF GREAT BENEFIT TO MANKIND, OUR NATION, STATE AND COMMUNITY, GIVE US WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING, IN ADDITION, THIS, ALMISGHTY GOD, WE ASK OF THEE. AMEN.

## **SAD SACK SONG**

**TO THE TABLES DOWN AT  
TO THE PLACE WHERE AMVETS DWELL  
TO THE DEAR OLD BAR WE LOVE SO WELL  
SING THE SAD SACK HERE ASSEMBLED  
WITH THEIR GLASSES RAISED ON HIGH  
IN ADDITION TO MAGIC OF THEY'RE SINGING  
CASTS A SPELL  
YES THE MAGIC OF THEIR SINGING  
OF THE SONGS WE LOVE SO WELL  
ROLL ME OVER "LILI MARIANA" AND THE  
REST  
WE WILL SERENADE OUR BUDDIES  
WHO HAVE FALLEN AND ARE GONE  
THEN WILL PASS AND BE FORGOTTEN  
WITH THE REST**

### **CHORUS**

**WE ARE POOR SAD SACKS WHO LOST OUR  
WAY SAD SAD SAD  
WE ARE POOR SAD SACKS WHO HAVE GONE  
ASTRAY SAD SAD SAD  
AMVETS FUNSTERS OUT ON A SPREE  
DOOMED FROM HERE TO ETRNITY  
LORD HAVE MURCY ON SUCH AS WE ARE  
SAD SAD SAD**

### **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

THE INSTALLING OFFICER REQUESTS THE HOOSEGOW TO PRESENT THE OFFICERS FOR INSTALLATION.

HOOSEGOW ALIGNS ALL ELECTED AND APPOINTIVE OFFICERS IN FRONT OF THE SADDEST SAD SACK'S STATION WITH THE SENORS ON THE RIGHT.

INSTALLING OFFICER CALLS THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP TO THEIR FEET " THE OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED WILL EACH RAISE THEIR RIGHT HAND AND REPEAT AFTER ME,

I \_\_\_\_\_ DO SOLEMNLY PROMISE AND SWEAR THAT I WILL FAITHFULLY PREFORM THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE TO WHICH I HAVE BEEN ELECTED. THAT I WILL AT ALL TIMES ENDEAVOR TO PROMOTE THE CAUSE OF THE VETERAN, PARTICULARLY OF AMVETS. THAT I WILL DEVOTE AS MUCH TIME AS I CAN TO PROJECTS WHICH WILL HELP AMVETS AND MY FELLOW VETERANS.

INSTALLING OFFICERS AND ALL SAD SACKS PRESENT WILL JOIN MW IN REPEATING THE SAD SACK MOTTO.

I \_\_\_\_\_ AS EACH DAY ENDS AND ITS CARES SUBSIDE WILL RUMINATE ON MY USELESS EXISTENCE AND PAST TRIBULATIONS AND THEREFORE BECOME AN ACTIVE SAD SACK.

WHEREUPON I NATURALLY MIGRATE TO THAT SPOT, WHERE GATHER MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS. THERE I WILL GIVE EAR TO THE BEATING OF GUMS, THE CHIPPING OF THE TEETH AND THE CRYING INTO LIQUIDS. YEA I WILL JOIN YOU, OH BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

“THE SACKS WILL BE SEATED. “THE INSTALLING OF OFFICERS THEN OUTLINES THE DUTIES OF EACH OFFICER, BEGINNING WITH THE SADDEST SAD SACK, ANDAS HE FINISHES WITH EACH ONE, WILL REQUEST THE HOOSEGOW TO ESCORT HIM TO HIS STATION, AFTER ALL HAVE BEEN SEATED, HE WILL TURN THE GAVEL OVER TO THE NEWEST SADDEST SAD SACK WHO WILL CONTINUE WITH THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS.

### **DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS**

#### **SADDEST:**

HE PROVIDES OVER ALL MEETINGS, APPOINTS ALL COMMITTEES, EACH OF WHICH HE WILL BE A MEMBER EX-OFFICIO, HE DEVISES WAYS AND MEANS OF RAISING FUNDS FOR THE SACK PROGRAMS. HE SHOULD STUDY THE NEEDS OF VETERANS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS IN HIS COMMUNITY AND MAKE PLANS TO RENDER AID AND ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED AND DESERVING. HE SHOULD SEE TO IT THAT THE FEATHERS MAKE PROPER REPORTS AND THAT ALL FUNDS ARE TURNED OVER TO THE MONEYBAGS TO BE DEPOSITED, ALL FUNDS ARE RECEIVED BY HIM. BOTH THE FEATHERS AND MONEY BAGS SHOULD BE BONDED IN SUCH AMOUNTS AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE SACK MEMBERSHIP/

#### **ALMOST SADDEST:**

PRESIDE OVER ALL THE MEETINGS IN THE ABSENCE OF THE SADDEST. HE SHOULD BE IN FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE PLANS OF THE SADDEST AND THE PROGRAM OF THE ORGANIZATION AND ASSIST IN CARRYING THEM TO A SUCESSFUL CONCLUSION.

#### **ALMOST NOT QUITE SADDEST:**

PRESIDED OVER MEETINGS IN THE ABSENCE OF THE SADDEST OR ALMOST SADDEST. HE SHOULD BE IN FULL KNOWLEDGE OF PLANS OF THE SADDEST AND THE PROGRAMS OF THE ORGANIZATION AND ASSIST IN CARRYING THEM TO A SUCESSFUL CONCLUSION.

#### **MONEY-BAGS:**

HE WILL RECIEVE ALL FUNDS FROM THE FEATHERS, GIVING HIM A RECEIPT. DEPOSIT FUNDS IN THE BANK APPROVED BY THE SACK MEMBERSHIP. GIVE A FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE SACK AT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE MONTH. HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAYMENTS OF DUES TO THE STATE AND NATIONAL SACK AND WILL BE AT ALL TIMES KEEP A RECORD OF MEMBERSHIP AND THEIR STATUS AS TO DUES.

#### **FEATHERS:**

WILL KEEP THE MINUTES OF EACH MEETING, RECORDING ALL TRANSACTIONS AND DEEDS OF THE SACK. HE SHALL RECEIVE DUES WHEN OFFERED TO HIM. HE SHALL RECEIVE AND REPORT ALL APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SACK AND CONDUCT THE CORRESPONDENCE OTHER THAN REQUIRED OF THE MONEYBAGS. HE WILL DELIVER ALL MONIES RECEIVED AND ON HAND AT EACH MEETING TO THE MONEYBAGS, GIVING HIM A RECEIPT THEREFORE.

**SOLEMNEST:**

HE SHALL CONDUCT THE CEREMONIES OBSERVING REVERENCE TO THE DEITY. WILL ASSIST THE OTHER OFFICERS IN THE SUCESSFUL OPERATION OF THE SACK AND WILL OBLIGATE CANIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP. IT WILL BE HIS DUTY TO CAUSION THE MEMBERS AS TO PROPER DECORUM AND DIGNITY DURING MEETINGS.

**HOOSEGOW:**

HE IS IN CHARGE OF THE DOOR, ALLOWING ONLY QUALIFIED MEMBERS TO ENTER THE MEETINGS. HE WILL SEE THAT ALL MEMBERS DON THE UNIFORM PRESCRIPED FOR THE MEETINGS, AND WILL ESCORT CANDIDATES DURING THE CERMONY OF INITIATION.

**NOSEY-EST:**

WILL HANDLE ALL MATTERS OF PUBLICITY, TAKING CARE THAT NO UNFAVORABLE PUBLICITY IS GIVEN TO THE SACKS AS FAR AS HE IS ABLE TO PREVENT IT. IT SHALL BE HIS DUTY TO GIVE OUR NEWS STORIES ON ALL ACTIVITIES OF THE SACK THAT ARE A MATTER OF PUBLIC INTEREST. AT ALL TIMES TRY TO KEEP THE SACK AND THEIR ACTIVITIES IN THE PUBLIC EYE.

**WAILER OR CRYING JAG:**

WILL DO ALL THE WAILING, GRIPING, CRYING, BAWLING, BELLYACHING AND OTHER UNORTHODOX ACTIVITIES AS IS DESIRED BY THE SADDEST.

**CUT-UP**

INSPECTOR GENERAL

**WORM:**

HISTORIAN, HE WILL KEEP RECORDS OF ALL SACK ACTIVITIES.

**CRABBEST:**

SHALL HAVE THE DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:**

SHALL HAVE THE DUTIES OF THE GRABBIEST.

## **PREAMBLE**

WE, THE AMERICAN VETERANS, WHO SERVED OR SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES DURING AND SINCE WORLD WAR II AND ARE IN GOOD STANDING IN AMVETS. DO HEREBY UNITE TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT NONPARTISAN, NONSECTARIAN ORGANIZATION.

### **ARTICLE I-OBJECTIVE**

**SECTION 1.**

THE MAIN PURPOSE OF AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS IS TO PROMOTE AMVETS IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE.

**SECTION 2.**

TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF ALL VETERANS AND SERVICE PERSONNEL.

SECTION 3.

THE OBJECT OF THIS ORGANIZATION IS TO BE THE OFFICIAL HONOR GROUP OF THE AMVETS, TO PROMOTE GOOD FELLOWSHIP AMONG THE MEMBERS AND KEEP ALIVE THE SPIRIT OF THE AMERICAN SERVICEMAN.

**ARTICLE II – NAME**

THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION SHALL BE “AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS”

**ARTICLE III – ORGANIZATION**

SECTION 1

THE ORGANIZATION SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING BODIES:

- A) A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION TO BE KNOWN AS AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS
- B) STATE SACKS, SUBORDINATE TO THE AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS
- C) LOCAL SACKS: SUBORDINATE TO THE AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS AND STATE SACKS WHERE APPLICABLE
- D) EACH LOCAL UNIT SHALL BE KNOWN AS A “SACK”
- E) THERE SHALL BE ONLY ONE (1) SACK TO EACH POST OF AMVETS, THE AMERICAN VETERANS WHO SERVED OR SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES DURING AND SINCE WORLD WAR II AND ARE IN GOOD STANDING IN THE AMVETS.
- F) POST WITH AT LEAST 100 MEMBERS MAY FORM A SACK OF IT’S OWN, IF GRANTED PERMISSION BY IT’S DEPARTMENT OF THE SAD SACKS EXECUTIOVE COMMITTEE. IN THE STATES WHERE NO DEPARTMENT IS ESTABLISHED, THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SAD SACKS MAY GRANT PERMISSION, IF SAID ACTION IS BASED UPON INVESTIGATION AND NECESSITY.

**ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 1.

THERE SHALL BE BUT TWO (2) HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS IN SAD SACKS, NAMELY, GEORGE BAKER, CREATOR OF “SAD SACKS”, AND REVEREND EDWARD S. FILLIPIAK, THEY ARE TO BE LIFE MEMBERS AS WELL.

SECTION 2.

WHENEVER THE WORD “HE” IS USED IN REFERENCE TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SACK, IT REFERS TO BOTH SEXES.

SECTION 3.

MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE LIMITED TO ACTIVE AMVETS IN GOOD STANDING FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR, WHO HAVE BEEN INVITED TO JOIN NATIONAL SAD SACKS BY AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZATION, PROVIDED THE HE HAS QUALIFIED IN TWO (2) OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- A) HAS HELD OR HOLDS A ELECTED OFFICE IN AMVETS, AND
- B) HAS RENDERED OUTSTANDING MERITORIOUS SERVICE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF AMVETS, AND
- C) HAS SPONCORED AT LEAST TEN (10) PAID UP MEMBERS.

SECTION 4.

MEMBERS AT LARGE SHALL BE LIMITED TO THOSE LIFE MEMBERS ALREADY ON THE ROLLS AND DESIGNATED AS SUCH AND SHALL REMAIN MEMBERS AT LARGE UNTIL A SACK UNIT IS FORMED IN HIS VICINITY, HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY ANOTHER SACK UNIT OR HAS BEEN EXPELLED FROM THE SAD SACKS BY A VOTE THERE OF.

SECTION 5.

NO MEMBER OF SAD SACKS WILL HOLD MEMBERSHIP IN MORE THAN ONE (1) SACK.

SECTION 6.

AMVETS MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS IN EXCESS OF THE ONE –YEAR MINIMUM MAY BE SET BY INDIVIDUAL STATE DEPARTMENTS.

SECTION 7.

ALL NEWLY QUALIFIED SACKS SHALL BE CALLED “ YARDBIRDS” UNTIL DULY INITIATED SAID INITIATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN SECRET.

SECTION 8.

EACH LOCAL UNIT, EACH STATE DEPARTMENT, AND THE NATIONAL DEPARTMENT SHALL BE ALLOWED ONLY ONE (1) INANIMATE MASCOT EACH.

**ARTICLE V – OFFICERS**

SECTION 1.

- A) NATIONAL OFFICERS SHALL CONSIST OF: A SADDEST SAD SACK, ALMOST SAD SACK, ALMOST NO QUITE SADDEST SAD SACK, SIX (6) EXTRA BAGS SADDEST SAD SACKS, ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, HOOSEGOW SADDEST SAD SACK, SQUIRE SADDEST SAD SACK, SOLEMNEST SADDEST SAD SACK, WORM SADDEST SAD SACK, CUT-UP SADDEST SAD SACK, NOSEYEST SADDEST SAD SACK, GRABBIEST SADDEST SAD SACK, AND WAILER/ CRYING JAG SADDEST SAD SACK.
- B) STATE SACK OFFICIALS SHALL BE THE SAME AS NATIONAL WITH THE EXCEPTION OF EXTRA BAGS. STATE DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE EITHER A MONEY BAGS AND A FEATHERS OR AN ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR (COMBINED DUTIES OF MONEY BAGS AND FEATHERS). THIS ACTION TO BE BY APPROVAL OF THE DEPARTMENT SCRIMMAGE.
- C) LOCAL SAD SACK OFFICERS SHALL BE THE SAME AS STATE SACK OFFICERS.

SECTION 2.

- A) THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE AN ELECTED OFFICE, UPON ELECTION SAID OFFICE SHALL BE PERMANENT AND NOT SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL BASIS. HE SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SADDEST AND THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. HE MAY BE DISMISSED FROM OFFICE FOR CAUSE.
- B) THE NATIONAL ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR SHALL PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR IN HIS ABSENCE. DUTIES SHALL BE OF THE GRABBIEST SADDEST SAD SACK (QUARTERMASTER).
- C) SOLEMEN SADDEST SAD SACK SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK.
- D) EXTRA BAGS SADDEST SAD SACKS (DISTRICT VICE COMMANDERS) SHALL BE ELECTED AT THE DISTRICT CAUCUS AT THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE.
- E) ALL DISTRICTS WILL CONFORM TO AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS CONSTITUTION.

- F) ALL OTHER NATIONAL SAD SACK OFFICERS LISTED IN ARTICLE V, SECTION 1
- A) SHALL BE NOMINATED FROM THE FLOOR AND ELECTED DURING THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE. ALL APPOINTMENTS SHALL BE MADE BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST BY THE FALL NES. INSTALLATION OF THE ELECTED OFFICERS AND THOSE COMPLETED APPOINTMENTS SHALL BE HELD AT THE NATIONAL SADDEST BANQUET.
- G) STATE SAD SACK OFFICERS SHALL BE APPOINTED AND/OR ELECTED DURING THE STATE SCRIMMAGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE PROCEDURE AND INSTALLED BY THE NATIONAL SAD SACK OFFICER OR ANY SADDER SADDEST SAD SACK. LOCAL SACK OFFICERS SHALL BE ELECTED AND/OR APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL PROCEDURE AND INSTALLATION OF LOCAL OFFICERS SHALL BE CONDUCTED BY STATE OR NATIONAL SAD SACK OFFICERS OR BY ANY SADDER SAD SACK. ELECTION OF LOCAL OFFICERS SHALL BE IN MAY OR JUNE AND INSTALLATION OF STATE SAD SACK OFFICERS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS.
- H) ALL LOCAL STATE OFFICERS' NAMES AND ADDRESSES SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>. PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY SHALL RESULT IN THE REMOVAL OF THE SACK OR DEPARTMENT FROM NATIONAL MAILING LIST.
- I) A COPY OF THE FOLLOWING SHALL BE SENT TO THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUALLY:
- (1) IRS REQUIREMENT
  - (2) CHANGE OF OFFICER'S LIST
  - (3) COPY OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS IF CHANGED DURING THE YEAR.
- J) FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS SHALL RESULT IN THE FOLLOWING:
- (1) CHARTER WILL NOT BE REVALIDATED
  - (2) DELEGATES WILL NOT BE SEATED OR RECOGNIZED ON THE FLOOR OF THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE.

### SECTION 3.

ALL NATIONAL SAD SACK OFFICERS SHALL HOLD OFFICE FROM 1 SEPTEMBER THROUGH 31 OF AUGUST.

### SECTION 4.

#### BALLOTING

A MAJORITY OF ALL VOTES CAST BY A QUORUM SHALL BE NECESSARY TO ELECT ANY OFFICER. A QUORUM NATIONALLY SHALL BE MAJORITY OF SAD SACK DELEGATES REGISTERED AT THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE. STATE AND LOCAL SACKS TO BE DECIDED BY LOCAL PROCEDURE.

### SECTION 5.

#### VACANIES

- B) IF ANY NATIONAL OFFICER IS VACATED, EXCEPT THE NATIONAL SADDEST, OR IF ANY NATIONAL OFFICE IS DISQUALIFIED FOR ANY REASON INCLUDING NONPAYMENT OF DUES, THE VACANCY SHALL BE FILLED BY AN APPOINTMENT BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK, SUBJECT TO RADIFICATION BY THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE NEXT NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SCRIMMAGE. IF THE VACANCY OCCURS MORE THAN 60 DAYS PRIOR TO THE NEXT N.E.S. THE VOTE FOR APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT SHALL BE BY MAIL BALLOT.

- C) IN THE EVENT THAT THE OFFICE OF NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK IS VACATED, THE ALMOST SADDEST SAD SACK SHALL ASSUME THIS OFFICE. THE ALMOST NOT QUITE SADDEST SAD SACK MOVING TO ALMOST SADDEST SAD SACK, AN ELECTION SHALL BE HELD AT THE NEXT N.E.S. TO FILL THE OFFICE OF THE ALMOST NOT QUITE SADDEST SAD SACK. TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERMS OF THERE OFFICES.

SECTION 6.  
BONDING

ALL OFFICERS WHOSE SIGNATURE APPEARS ON THE BANK SIGNATURE CARDS SHALL BE BONDED FOR THE MINIMUM OF NET WORTH FOR AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS TO INCLUDE THE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR.

**ARTICLE VI - CHARTERS**

SECTION 1.

LOCAL SAD SACK MAY BE FORMED AND MAINTAINED BY TEN (10) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS MAKING APPLICATION DIRECTLY TO THE AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS AND THE STATE SAD SACKS WHERE APPLICABLE. ALL CHARTERS WILL BE ISSUED BY THE AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS, EACH CHARTER SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK AND THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, THE NUMBER OF SACK CHARTERS ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE DATE OF APPLICATION. WHERE STATE DEPARTMENTS EXIST, APPLICATION FOR CHARTER MUST BE PROCESSED THROUGH THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

SECTION 2.

LOCAL SAD SACKS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS AND STATE SAD SACKS WHERE APPLICABLE. IN ANY CASE CONFLICTS WITH, OR IS CONTRARY TO, THE PROVISIONS OF THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION, THE LATTER SHALL PREVAIL.

SECTION 3.

STATE SACK DEPARTMENTS MAY BE FORMED AND MAINTAINED WHEN THE STATE HAS FOUR (4) SACKS ORGANIZED AND MAINTAINED IN THE STATE.

SECTION 4.

ALL SAD SACKS WHO ARE CALLED INTO SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY SHALL REMAIN ACTIVE MEMBERS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF DUES PROVIDED THEY ARE PAID UP MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING IN AMVETS. WRITTEN NOTICE GIVING DATE AND PLACE OF INDUCTION INTO THE SERVICE MUST BE FORWARDED TO THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR. ONLY THEN, SHALL THE SACK BE ELIGIBLE TO REMAIN A MEMBER WITHOUT PAYMENT OF DUES.

**ARTICLE VII – NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGE**

SECTION 1.

THE ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS OF THE SAD SACKS SHALL BE VESTED IN THE NATIONAL SAD SACK OFFICERS, ALL NATIONAL SADDER SAD SACKS, STATE SADDEST OR ONE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SAD SACKER, OR HIS ALTERNATE, TO BE ELECTED BY THE RESPECTIVE STATES AT THE ANNUAL STATE SCRIMMAGE. ONE THIRD (1/3) OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGE SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM.

SECTION 2.

THE TERM OF OFFICE OF STATE SAD SACKERS AND ALTERNATES WILL BE FROM THE TIME OF ELECTION UNTIL CLOSE OF THE NEXT ANNUAL STATE SCRIMMAGE.

SECTION 3.

ALL PAST NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACKS SHALL BE DESIGNATED AS SADDER SAD SACKS AND WILL BE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGE.

SECTION 4.

THERE SHALL BE TWO (2) SAD SACK EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGES HELD ANNUALLY. ONE TO BE HELD IN THE SPRING **IN MARCH OR APRIL** AND ONE TO BE HELD IN THE FALL **IN SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER**. AT A TIME AND PLACE SELECTED BY BID'S FROM AN N.E.S. OR NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE. ALL SPECIAL EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGES SHALL BE CALLED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK.

**ARTICLE VIII- FINANCES**

SECTION 1.

ALL FINANCES OF THE AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS SHALL BE UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR WHO SHALL MAKE AN ANNUAL REPORT TO EACH LOCAL SACK AFTER EACH NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE. REVENUE SHALL BE DERIVED FROM ANNUAL DUES AND OTHER SOURCES APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGE. ANNUAL DUES SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN \$7.01 PER YEAR. MEMBERSHIP CARDS SHALL BE ISSUED ON THE FISCAL BASIS, EXPIRING DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> OF EACH YEAR. AFTER WHICH TIME A MEMBER SHALL BECOME DELIQUENT. IF DUES ARE NOT PAID WITHIN THE NEXT 60 DAYS THE MEMBER SHALL BE DROPPED FROM MEMBERSHIP IN THE SAD SACKS. THIS PROVISION SHALL ALSO APPLY TO MAINTENANCE STANDING OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS.

SECTION 2.

THE ANNUAL BUDGET SHALL BE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL AT EACH ANNUAL SCRIMMAGE OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGE. IT SHALL BE SUBMITTED BY THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR UPON RECEIPT FROM THE BUDGETING COMMITTEE THAT CONSISTS OF NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK, NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL ALMOST SADDEST SAD SACK, AND THE HIGHEST NUMBER NATIONAL SADDER SAD SACK. IN THE EVENT THAT THE BUDGET IS NOT PREPARED, A COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF FIVE (5) MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGE SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK TO PREPARE THE BUDGET.

SECTION 3.

EACH LOCAL SACK SHALL REMIT TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS, THE SUM OF \$7.01 FOR EACH MEMBER PER YEAR, OF WHICH \$1.00 GOES TO THE NATIONAL NURSES' SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

SECTION 4.

EACH LOCAL SACK SHALL REMIT TO THE STATE SAD SACKS, THE SUM OF NOT LESS THAN (\$.50) FIFTY CENTS FOR EACH LOCAL SACK MEMBER PER YEAR.

SECTION 5.

WHERE THERE IS NO STATE DEPARTMENT, EACH LOCAL SACK SHALL REMIT TO THE AMVETS NATIONAL SAD SACKS \$7.51 FOR EACH LOCAL SACK MEMBER PER YEAR, OF WHICH \$1.00 GOES TO THE NATIONAL NURSES' SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

SECTION 6.

A SACK IN GOOD STANDING WHO IS A LIFE MEMBER OF AMVETS MAY OBTAIN A LIFE MEMBERSHIP FOR \$150.00. OF THIS AMOUNT \$87.50 WILL BE REMITTED TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS, \$31.25 TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND \$31.25 WILL BE RETAINED BY THE LOCAL SACK. WHERE THERE IS NOT STATE DEPARTMENT \$118.75 (\$87.50 + \$31.25) WILL BE REMITTED TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS.

SECTION 7.

SAD SACK MEMBERS OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE, WHO MEET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS MAY PURCHASE A LIFE MEMBERSHIP FOR NO LESS THAN \$125.00, OF WHICH \$75.00 WILL BE REMITTED TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS, AND \$25.00 TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT, AND \$25.00 TO THE LOCAL SACK. IF NO STATE DEPARTMENT EXISTS \$100.00 (\$75.00 + \$25.00) WILL BE REMITTED TO THE NATIONAL.

SECTION 8.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL HANDLE ALL DUES AND REMITTANCE FORMS FOR THEIR SACKS AND THEN REMIT DUES FOR THEIR SACKS TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS. ALL MEMBERSHIP CARDS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE RESPECTIVE SACK BY THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, IN STATES WHERE NO DEPARTMENT IS YET ESTABLISHED, THE LOCAL FEATHERS OR MONEY BAGS WILL SEND THE REMITTANCE AND RECEIVE ALL CARDS FOR THEIR SACKS.

SECTION 9.

WHEN LOCAL SACK'S CHARTER IS REVOKED, WHERE THERE IS A STATE DEPARTMENT OF SAD SACKS, ALL FUNDS AND OTHER PROPERTIES SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SAD SACKS WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS. WHERE THERE IS NO STATE DEPARTMENT OF SAD SACKS, ALL FUNDS AND OTHER PROPERTIES SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS.

**ARTICLE IX – DISCIPLINE**

SECTION 1.

DISCIPLINARY RULES RELATING TO THE LOCAL SACK SHALL BE PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL SACK.

SECTION 2.

THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGE, AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING BEFORE A SUBCOMMITTEE, MAY CANCEL, SUSPEND OR REVOKE THE CHAPTER OF A LOCAL SACK FOR A GOOD AND SUFFICIENT CAUSE TO IT APPEARING, PROCEDURE FOR SUCH ACTION SHALL BE PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL SQUIRE SADDEST SAD SACK.

SECTION 3.

IN THE EVENT OF SUCH ACTION, THE NATIONAL SADDSESR SAD SACK AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS EMPOWERED TO TAKE OVER THE OPERATION OF THE LOCAL SACK, BUT IS BOUND BY ITS CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

SECTION 4.

ANY SACK UNIT WHOSE DUES HAVE LAPSED FOR ONE (1) COMPLETE YEAR, MAY HAVE ITS CHARTER AUTOMATICALLY REVOKED AND ITS NUMBER ASSIGNED TO A NEW SACK.

SECTION 5.

ANY REVOCATION OF AN AMVETS CHAPTER SHALL AUTOMATICALLY REVOKE A SAD SACK CHAPTER, IF ONE IS HELD BY THE POST IN QUESTION.

SECTION 6.

IN THE EVENT A SACK CHAPTER IS HELD BY A SACK COMPOSED OF MEMBERS OF MORE THE ONE POST AND THE CHARTER ON ONE OR MORE POSTS IS REVOKED, SAID SACK MEMBERS OF THE POST, OR POSTS, MUST AFFILIATE WITH THE POST OF GOOD STANDING, TRANSFER OF MAL STATUS IMMEDIATELY OR LOSE THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN SAD SACKS.

**ARTICLE X - TRANSFERS**

SECTION 1.

ANY SAD SACK IN GOOD STANDING MAY CHANGE HIS SACK AND TRANSFER WITHOUT PAYING THE CURRENT DUES PROVIDED.

A) THE DUES ARE THE SAME, AND

B) HE HAS COMPLETED A MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER FORM, AND THE SADDEST OR THE FEATHERS FROM THE PREVIOUS SACK HAS AFFIXED HIS SIGNITURE. IN CASE THE DUES OF THE NEW SACK ARE MORE, THE SAD SACK SHALL PAY THE DIFFERENCE, THE SAD SACK SHALL ATTEND TWO (2) CONSECUTIVE SCRIMMAGES, AFTER WHICH HE SHALL BE ACCEPTED OR REJECTED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE NEW SACK UNIT. A TRANSFER CANNOT BE DENIED WITHOUT JUST CAUSE—THIS ACTION SHALL BE FINAL.

**ARTICLE X1 – NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE**

SECTION 1.

A NATIONAL SAD SACK SCRIMMAGE SHALL BE HELD AT LEAST TWO (2) DAYS PRIOR TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION OF AMVETS AND THOSE WHO SERVED OR ARE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES THEREAFTER.

SECTION 2.

EACH STATE SHALL HAVE A DELEGATE AND AN ALTERNATE TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL SAD SACK SCRIMMAGE, LOCAL SACKS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE FOR THEIR INITIAL TEN (10) MEMNBERS AND ONE (1) ADDITIONAL DELEGATE AND AN ALTERNATE FOR EACH MAJOR PORTION OF (10) MEMBERS, THEREAFTER.

SECTION 3.

MEMBERS OF NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BE DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACK SCRIMMAGE WITH POWER TO VOTE.

SECTION 4.

EACH DELEGATE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) VOTE. THE VOTE OF AN ABSENT DELEGATE MAY BE CAST BY AN ALTERNATE, ALTERNATES SHALL HAVE ALL THE RIGHT AND PRIVILEGES OF THE DELEGATES, EXCEPT THAT OF VOTING WHEN DELEGATES ARE PRESENT.

SECTION 5.

A MAJORITY OF THE VOTING REGISTERED DELEGATES PRESENT SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM

SECTION 6.

ANY MEMBER OF SAD SACKS MAY SUBMIT THE NAME OF ANY SAD SACK OR OTHER PERSON FOR AN AWARD. HOWEVER, SAID NAME OF SACK OR CITZEN SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE REASON FOR SUBMITTING SAID SACK OR PERSON FOR AN AWARD, OUTLINING HIS OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS, SAID RECOMMENDATION SHALL BE IN WRITING AND APPROVED BY THE LOCAL SACK TO WHICH THE RECOMMENDATION IS BEING SUBMITTED, AND IT SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE SADDEST SAD SACK OF SAID SACK. NO ACTION SHALL BE TAKEN FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN AWARD UNLESS RECOMMEDATIONS ARE SUBMITTED, AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN AND SUBMITTED TO THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK AT LEAST FIVE (5) DAYS BEFORE THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE. THE HONORS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF ALL NATIONAL SADDERS, WITH THE IMMEDIATE NATIONAL SADDER SERVING AS CHAIRMAN.

**ARTICLE XII - UNIFORM AND INSIGNIA**

SECTION 1.

THE SAD SACK UNIFORM SHALL CONSIST OF A SACK (BURLAP, CLOTH, ETC.) WITH HOLES CUT FOR THE NECK AND ARMS AND WITH THE WORDS AMVET SAD SACK PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED, THEREON.

SECTION 2.

THE SAD SACK CAP SHALL BE AN OLD FASHION NIGHTCAP OR ANY TYPE OF HAT OR CAP ADOPTED BY THE LOCAL SACK UNIT.

SECTION 3.

THE SAD SACK PIN SHALL BE AN OLD REPLICA OF A PLAIN SACK WITH THE LETTERS SAD RUNNING LENGTHWISE DOWN THE PIN, THE WORD AMVET RUNNING Laterally ACROSS THE BOTTOM OF THE SACK

SECTION 4.

THE SAD SACK KEY SHALL BE A SACK IN KEY SHAPE WITH THE SACK CREST ON THE FRONT, THE BACK OF THE KEY SHALL BE PLAIN.

SECTION 5.

AS THE SAD SACK OVERSAES CAP (SUCH AS WORNBY AMVETS TO BE WORN IN PLACE OF TAMS) COLORS FOLLOWING

- A) NATIONAL OFFICERS – BLUE BAND, GOLD CROWN, GOLD LETTERS AND PIPING
- B) STATE OFFICERS – BLUE BAND, GOLD CROWN, RED LETTERS AND PIPING
- C) LOCAL OFFICERS – BLUE BAND, GOLD CROWN, LIGHT BLUE LETTERS AND PIPING

SECTION 6.

THE SAD SACK JACKET SHALL BE ANY COLOR WITH THE SAD SACK CREST ON THE BACK

SECTION 7.

- A) THAT PART OF THE UNIFORM CONSISTING OF THE NIGHTCAP, OR OTHER TYPE OF CAP OR HAT AND THE SACK SHALL NOT BE WORN BY ANY MEMBER OF THE SAD SACK, EXCEPT WITHIN THE SCRIMMAGE PLACE OF THE LOCAL SACK, DURING SCRIMMAGES OR WHILE PARTICIPATING IN AN AUTHORIZED PARADE, OR SACK FUNCTION, SUCH AS A PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE SAD SACKS. THE N.S.S.S. MAY WEAR THE OVERSEAS CAP AT AMVET FUNCTIONS.
- B) THE OVERSEAS CAP AND JACKET WILL BE WORN FOR STREET WEAR AND ON OCCASIONS WHEN IT IS DESIRABLE TO DISTINGUISH MEMBERS OF SAD SACKS.
- C) THE FOLLOWING SHALL BE THE DRESS UNIFORM OF SAD SACKS:
  - 1) MEN – WHITE SHIRT, SHORT SLEEVED, WHITE SHIRT FOR FORMAL WEAR; NAVY BLUE OR DARK PANTS
  - 2) WOMEN – WHITE BLOUSE, SHORT SLEEVED; WHITE BLOUSE FOR FORMAL WEAR, NAVY BLUE OR DARK PANTS.
  - 3) TIES – FOR BOTH UNIFORMS SHALL BE KENTUCKY COLONEL TIE – GOLD FOR NATIONAL OFFICERS ( WITH APPROPRIATE LETTERING OF OFFICE) RED FOR STATE OFFICERS ( WITH APPROPRIATE LETTERING OF OFFICE) LIGHT BLUE FOR LOCAL SAD SACK MEMBERS ( WITH APPROPRIATE LETTERING OF OFFICE)
- D) ANY SAD SACK GUILTY OF VIOLATING PARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE DISCIPLINED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE NATIONAL SQUIRE SADDIST SAD SACK.

SECTION 8.

- A) THE NATIONAL COLORS OF SAD SACKS SHALL CONSIST OF THE NATIONAL FLAG AS PRESCRIBED FOR AMVETS POSTS, AND A STANDARD WITH THE FOLLOWING SPECIFICATIONS: FLAG OF SILK OR RAYON MATERIAL WITH THE SAD SACK CREST DISPLAYED ON BOTH SIDES IN FULL COLOR, THE WORDS SAD SACKS ACROSS THE TOP ABOVE THE CREST AND THE WORD AMVETS BETWEEN THE FEET OF THE TWO (2) ANIMALS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CREST, AND ACROSS THE BOTTOM OF THE STANDARD SHALL BE THE WORDS NATIONAL SAD SACK.
- B) THE STATE DEPARTMENT STANDARD SHALL HAVE THE SAME SPECIFICATIONS AS THE NATIONAL STANDARD BUT SHALL HAVE THE NAME OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT ACROSS THE BOTTOM IN PLACE OF THE WORDS NATIONAL SAD SACKS.
- C) THE LOCAL SACK UNIT STANDARDS SHALL HAVE THE SAME SPECIFICATIONS WITH THE WORD SACK TO THE LEFT OF THE CREST AND THE UNIT NUMBER TO THE RIGHT OF THE CREST, ACROSS THE BOTTOM SHALL BE THE SACK NAME, CITY, AND STATE.
- D) THE COLORS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:
  - 1) NATIONAL SAD SACK COLORS – IVORY BACKGROUND, WITH GOLD FRINGE AND GOLD LETTERING.
  - 2) STATE DEPARTMENT COLORS - OLD IVORY, WITH BRIGHT RED FRINGE AND BRIGHT RED LETTERING
  - 3) LOCAL SACK UNITS COLORS – ECRU, WITH BROWN FRINGE AND BLUE LETTERING

SECTION 9.

ONLY SAD SACKS IN GOOD STANDING SHALL BE PERMITTED TO WEAR THE SAD SACK UNIFORM AND/OR SAD SACK INSIGNIA, IT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LOCAL SACK UNIT TO ENFORCE THESE PROVISIONS.

**ARTICLE XIII – AMENDMENTS**

THIS CONSTITUTION MAY BE AMENDED AT THE NATIONAL SAD SACK SCRIMMAGE BY THE MAJORITY OF VOTES OF THE TOTAL AUTHORIZED SAD SACK DELIGATES PRESENT, PROVIDED THE AMENDMENTS HAVE BEE SUBMITTED TO THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY MAIL AT LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACK SCRIMMAGE.

THIS CONSTITUTION MAY HOWEVER, BE AMENDED AT ANY NATIONAL SAD SACK SCRIMMAGE WITHOUT NOTICE BY 2/3 VOTE OF THE DELEGATES PRESENT AT THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE.

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1) ARTICLE VIII- FINANCES

IN LIEU OF MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE, THE FOLLOWING WAS PASSED. DUES ARE DUE ON THE 31<sup>ST</sup> OF DECEMBER EACH EVERY YEAR. IF NOT IN NATIONAL ADMINISTRATOR POSSESSION HANDS BY FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> A \$3.00 PER MEMBER FINE WILL BE ADDED.

2) THE N.A.D. MAY IF NECESSARY WITHDRAW MONIES FROM THE NURSES SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AS LONG AS HE MAINTAINS A MINIMUM OF #25,000.00 IN THE FUND AT ALL TIMES. THIS IS THE LAST PLACE TO LOOK FIR WITHDRAWAL MONIES AND ONLY ON A HAVE TO BASIS..

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ARTICLE 1 – DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.

THE WORD SACK WHEREVER IT SHALL APPEAR IN THE BY-LAWS, UNLESS OTHERWISE DESCRIBED SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS REFERENCE TO THE NATIONAL SACK, STATE SACK AND LOCAL SACK.

SECTION 2.

THE WORD HE, WHEREVER IT SHALL APPEAR IN EITHER THE CONSTITUTION OR BY-LAWS OF THE NATIONAL, STATE OR LOCAL SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS REFERRING TO BOTH SEXES.

SECTION 3.

SACK USED INSTEAD OF POST

## ARTICLE 2 - MEMBERSHIP

### SECTION 1.

THERE SHALL BE ONE TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP, TO WIT ACTIVE, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN ARTICLE IV, SECTION 1. OF THE CONSTITUTION.

### SECTION 2.

ANY SAD SACK WHO'S DUES BECOME DELINQUENT IN THE AMVETS SHALL BE SUSPENDED FROM SAD SACK MEMBERSHIP UNTIL HE IS IN GOOD STANDING IN THE AMVETS AND SAD SACKS.

### SECTION 3.

ANY SAD SACK WHO HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FROM AMVETS SHALL ALSO BE SUSPENDED FROM SAD SACKS, TO AGAIN BECOME A MEMBER OF SAD SACKS, THE EXPELLED MEMBER MUST AGAIN QUALIFY UNDER ARTICLE IV, SECTION 2., OF THE CONSTITUTION.

### SECTION 4.

MEMBERSHIP IN SAD SACKS IS MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS BY AFFILIATION WITH THE LOCAL AND STATE SACKS.

### SECTION 5.

A MEMBER WHO HAS BEEN A SACK IN GOOD STANDING FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR AND WHO IS A LIFE MEMBER OF AMVETS MAY OBTAIN A LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN SAD SACKS.

## ARTICLE III – SCRIMMAGES

### SECTION 1.

THE STATED SCRIMMAGE OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS SHALL BE HELD AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR IN THE SAME CITY AS THE HELD AT LEAST TWO (2) DAYS PRIOR TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION OF AMVETS.

### SECTION 2.

THE STATED SCRIMMAGE OF THE STATE SAD SACKS SHALL BE HELD AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR IN THE SAME CITY AS THE STATE CONVENTION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF AMVETS.

### SECTION 3.

EACH LOCAL SACK SHALL HOLD A STATED SCRIMMAGE AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH.

### SECTION 4.

A MEETING OF ALL SAD SACKS SHALL BE TERMED AS A SCRIMMAGE, PRECEDED BY THE WORD LOCAL, STATE OR NATIONAL AS THE CASE MAY BE.

### SECTION 5.

TO GAIN RECOGNITION AT ANY SCRIMMAGE, AUDIABLE SIGNS SHALL BE USED ALONG WITH THE LEFT HAND.

## ARTICLE IV - CHAPTERS

APPLICATION FOR CHARTER FOR THE SACK SHALL BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, AFTER HAVING BEEN PROCESSED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SACKS, WHERE A STATE DEPARTMENT EXISTS, ON AN APPLICATION FOR CHARTER FORM TO BE FURNISHED FOR THAT PURPOSE, ACCOMPANIED BY A FEE OF \$7.01 FOR EACH MEMBER – OR - \$7.51 PER MEMBER WHERE NO STATE DEPARTMENT EXISTS – WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THE CHARTER APPLICATION, AND SHALL CONTAIN THE PROPOSED NAME OF THE NEW SACK UNIT AND ITS LOCATION, NUMBER MAY BE REQUESTED, IF NOT PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED.

## ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

### SECTION 1.

SAME AS A QUOTED IN THE CONSTITUTION

### SECTION 2.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS, ALL SAD SACKS IN GOOD STANDING SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR ANY OFFICE IN THE SACK. HOWEVER, A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF NATIONAL SADDEST MUST HAVE HELD A NATIONAL ELECTED SAD SACK OFFICE.

### SECTION 3.

ALL OFFICERS SHALL BE ELECTED OR APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

### SECTION 1.

NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK

AT ALL SCRIMMAGES OF THE SACK, THE N.S.S.S. SHALL BE EXECUTIVE HEAD OF THE SACK NATIONAL CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, AND WILL OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SCRIMMAGE, HE SHALL APPOINT ALL NECESSARY COMMITTEES AND SHALL PERFORM SUCH OTHER DUTIES AS ARE USUALLY INCIDENT THEREOF.

### SECTION 2.

NATIONAL ALMOST & ALMOST NOT QUITE SADDEST SAD SACKS

THEY SHALL ACT AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NATIONAL S.S.S. ON ALL MATTERS REFERRED TO THEM BY HIM AND PERFORM SUCH OTHER DUTIES AS MAY BE ASSIGNED TO THEM FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE NATIONAL S.S.S.

### SECTION 3.

NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR (COMBINED DUTIES OF FEATHERS AND MONEY BAGS)

SHALL KEEP MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS, BE CUSTODIAN OF ALL BOOKS AND RECORDS, CONDUCT CORRESPONDENCE AS DIRECTED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK AND DO SUCH OTHER THINGS AS USUALLY PERTAIN TO THE OFFICE OF THE FEATHERS S.S.S INCLUDING KEEPING BOOKS OR FILES PROPERLY AS FOLLOWS:

A) THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS

- B) IN PROPER FILE, THE APPLICATION OF EACH CHARTER
- C) A RECORD OF ALL PROCEEDINGS OF EACH MEETING OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AFTER IT HAS BEEN CORRECTED IN ADDITION , APPROVED
- D) A FILE IN, WHICH SHALL BE KEPT ALL CARDS AND CIRCULAR EXECUTED BY NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK
- E) A FILE OF ALL SACKS SHOWING DATES SAD SACK CHARTERS WERE GRANTED AND DATES OF ACCEPTANCE OF EACH SACK
- F) A LETTER FILE
- G) A ROLL CALL OF ALL DEPARTED SACKS
- H) A RECORD OF ALL SACKS WHO HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED OR EXPELLED

- I) NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR SHALL CARRY OUT ALL DUTIES USUALLY ASSIGNED TO THE OFFICE OF MONEY BAGS, WHICH INCLUDES THE COLLECTION OF ALL FUNDS DUE THE NATIONAL SACK AND MAKE SUCH DISBURSEMENTS AS DIRECTED BY THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. HE SHALL DEPOSIT ALL SUCH FUNDS IN A BANK DETERMINED BY THE MOTION OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AND SHALL ONLY MAKE DISBURSEMENTS OF THE SAME BY CHECK DULY SIGNED BY HIMSELF THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK OR THE NATIONAL ALMOST SADDEST SAD SACK. ALL CHECKS FOR EXPENDITURES OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACK SHALL BE NUMBERED IN SEQUENCE, THE NUMBER OF THE CHECK TO CORRESPOND WITH THE VOUCHER AUTHORIZING IT.
- J) BEFORE ENTERING UPON HIS DUTIES, HE SHALL GIVE GOOD AND SUFFICIENT BOND ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTION

#### SECTION 4.

NATIONAL ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR SHALL CARRY OUT DUTIES OF THE NATIONAL GRABBIEST SADDEST SAD SACK (QUARTERMASTER). HE SHALL BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR ALL SAD SACK MATERIAL AND ALL MONIES SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR. AND SHALL PREFORM SUCH DUTIES AS MAY BE ASSIGNED TO HIM FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK. IN CASE OF A EMERGENCY, HE SHALL ACT AS NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

#### SECTION 5.

NATIONAL SQUIRE SADDEST SAD SACK SHALL ACT AS PARLIAMENTARIAN AND LEGAL ADVISOR OF THE NATIONAL SACK, AND SHALL PREFORM SUCH OTHER DUTIES USUALLY INCIDENT TO THE OFFICE AS DIRECTED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK.

#### SECTION 6.

NATIONAL HOOSEGOW SADDEST SAD SACK SHALL MAINTAIN ORDER AT ALL SCRIMMAGES AND SHALL PREFORM ALL DUTIES THAT ORDINARILY PERTAIN TO THE NATIONAL HOOSEGOW AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK.

- A) THE NATIONAL HOOSEGOW SHALL BE THE KEEPER OF THE COLORS AND SHALL HAVE THEM PRESENT AT THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE.

SECTION 7.

NATIONAL SOLEMNEST SADDEST SAD SACK

SHALL PREFORM CHAPLIAN DUTIES AS DIRECTED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK.

SECTION 8.

NATIONAL NOSEYEST SADDEST SAD SACK

SHALL KEEP ALL THE PUBLIC INFORMED OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONAL SACK AND SUCH DUTIES AS DIRECTED BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK.

SECTION 9.

NATIONAL WORM SADDEST SAD SACK

SHALL KEEP ALL RECORDS OF HISTORICAL VALUE AND INTEREST FOR THE NATINAL SACK AND SUCH DUTIES AS DIRECTED BY THE NATIONAL SAD SACK.

SECTION 10.

NATIONAL CUT-UP SADDEST SAD SACK

SHALL PREFORM THE DUTIES AS DIRECTED TO HIM BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK.

SECTION 11.

NATIONAL WAILER/CRYING – JAG SADDEST SAD SACK

SHALL PREFORM THE DUTIES AS DIRECTED TO HIM BY THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK.

SECTION 12.

NATIONAL EXTRA BAGS SADDEST SAD SACK

SHALL PREFORM THE DUTIES SIMILAR TO THOSE ASSIGNED TO THE AMVETS NATIONAL DISTRICT COMMANDERS.

ARTICLE VII – NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1.

THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BE CONSTITUTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE VII OF THE CINSTITUTION

SECTION 2.

THE NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK SHALL APPOINT THE FOLLOWING STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A) FINANCE
- B) MEMBERSHIP
- C) SCHOLARSHIP
- D) LIAISON
- E) LEGISLATIVE
- F) SCRIMMAGE
- G) MISCELLANEOUS
- H) CONVENTION HOSPITALITY ROOM

SECTION 3.

AT THE EXPRIATION OF THEIR TERM OF OFFICE, ALL NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACKS SHALL BECOME PERMANENT MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND WILL THEREAFTER BE DESIGNATED AS SADDER SAD SACKS.

SECTION 4.

THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THE AMVET NATIONAL SAD SACK POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

SECTION 5.

ALL QUESTIONS AFFECTING THE ELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE AND CONDUCT OF THE NATIONAL SAD SACK OFFICERS SHALL BE REFERRED TO AND DETERMINED BY NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION 6.

THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL PERFORM SUCH DUTIES AS ARE INCIDENT TO THE STATED COMMITTEE OFFICE.

ARTICLE VIII – DISCIPLINE

SECTION 1.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS THE POWER TO SUSPEND OR EXPELL UPON PROPER SHOWING OF CAUSE, CHARGES SHALL BE BASED UPON DISLOYALTY, NEGLIGENCE OF DUTY, DISHONESTY OR CONDUCT UNBECOMING A SAD SACK. IF THE MEMBER IS FOUND GUILTY AFTER A HEARING, SUCH MEMBER SHALL NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOTE AT HEARINGS, MEMBERS SHALL BE NOTIFIED AT LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE HEARING.

SECTION 2.

EACH SACK UNIT OF SAD SACKS SHALL BE JUDGED OF ITS OWN MEMBERSHIP SUBJECT TO THE RESTRICTIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE NATIONAL SACK AND STATES, WHERE APPLICABLE.

SECTION 3.

ANY NATIONAL OFFICER WHO HAS BEEN SUSPENDED OR EXPELLED HAS THE RIGHT TO APPEAL TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION SCRIMMAGE, THEIR DECISION SHALL BE FINAL.

SECTION 4.

ANY SAD SACK WHO HAS BEEN SUSPENDED OR EXPELLED HAS THE RIGHT TO APPEAL TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT CONVENTION SCRIMMAGE.

- A) A SACK SUSPENDED, UPON REINSTATEMENT, SHALL BE GOVERNED BY PUNISHMENT SET FORTH BY THE LOCAL SACK.
- B) ANY SACK WHO HAS BEEN EXPELLED BY A LOCAL SACK SHALL BEGIN AGAIN UPON INITIATION, AS A YARDBIRD AND BE REINSTATED AS PRESCRIBED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS.
- C) ANY SACK WHO MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FOR FAILURE TO PAY DUES, MAY BE REINSTATED INTO MEMBERSHIP UPON PAYMENT OF DUES, USING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ORIGINAL MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 5.

LOCAL SACKS SHALL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY STATE AND NATIONAL SAD SACKS OF THE NAME OF THE PERSON WHO HAS BEEN SUSPENDED OR EXPELLED.

## ARTICLE IX – CONTRACTS

NO OFFICER OR MEMBER SHALL BE PERMITTED TO MAKE CONTRACTS BINDING THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS WITHOUT FIRST HAVING THE CONTRACT RATIFIED BY THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. NO CONTRACT SHALL BE INCURRED BY THE NATIONAL SAD SACK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, WHICH EXTENDS BEYOND OR CANNOT BE COMPLETED DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE.

## ARTICLE XI – DUES

THE ANNUAL DUES SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION.

## ARTICLE XI – UNIFORM AND INSIGNIA

### SECTION 1.

THE UNIFORM SHALL BE A SACK WITH HEAD AND ARMHOLES CUT IN AND THE WORDS “SAD AMVETS” PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED THEREON.

### SECTION 2.

THE SAD SACK CAP WILL BE AN OLD-FASHIONED NIGHTCAP OR ANY TYPE OF HAT OR CAP ADOPTED BY THE LOCAL SACK UNIT.

### SECTION 3.

THE SAD SACK KEY SHALL BE IN THE SHAPE OF A SACK, WITH A SAD SACK CREST ON THE FRONT, PLAIN BACK, ONE AND ONE HALF (1 ½”) INCHES LONG, FIVE EIGHTS (5/8”) INCH WIDE, GOLD COLOR.

### SECTION 4.

THE SAD SACK JACKET SHALL BE ANY COLOR, WITH SAD SACK CREST ON THE BACK.

### SECTION 5.

THE SAD SACK, OVERSEAS CAP SHALL CONFORM TO THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION

### SECTION 6.

THE SACK AND NIGHTCAP OR OTHER TYPE OF HAT OR CAP ADOPTED SHALL BE WORN ONLY AS PRESCRIBED.

### SECTION 7.

THE COLORS FOR NATIONAL, STATE, AND LOCAL SACKS WILL CONFORM TO THE SPECIFICATIONS OUTLINED IN THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION.

## ARTICLE XII – AWARDS

### SECTION 1.

THE NATIONAL SADDEST MAY AWARD AS MANY CERTIFICATED AS HE DEEMS APPROPRIATE.

### SECTION 2.

EACH LOCAL SACK OR STATE DEPARTMENT MAY AWARD AT ANY TIME CERTIFICATES OF MERIT UPON APPLICATION THEREOF TO THE NATIONAL DEPARTMENT AND THE PAYMENT OF \$1.01 FOR EACH OF THE CERTIFICATES.

SECTION 3.

EACH LOCAL SACK OR STATE DEPARTMENT SACK MAY RECOMMEND TO THE NATIONAL HONORS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE THAT CERTIFICATE OF MERIT BE AWARDED TO INDIVIDUALS AT THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE, NO CHARGE IS MADE FOR THESE CERTIFICATES.

SECTION 4.

THE NATIONAL "SACK OF THE YEAR AWARD" SHALL HENCEFORTH BE KNOWN AS THE "ARTHUR R. GOGUEN SACK OF THE YEAR AWARD" AN APPROPRIATE PLAQUE SHALL BE PRESENTED.

- A) THE CAP FABERT CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT TO BE AWARDED TO FIVE (5) RUNNERS-UP.

ARTICLE X111 – AMENDMENTS

THESE BY-LAYS MAY BE AMENDED AT ANY NATIONAL SAD SACK SCRIMMAGE BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE TOTAL AUTHORIZED NATIONAL SAD SACK DELEGATES. PRESENT PROVIDED THE AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY MAIL AT LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE. THESE BY-LAWS MAY HOWEVER BE AMENDED AT ANY NATIONAL SAD SACK SCRIMMAGE WITHOUT NOTICE BY A 2/3'S VOTE OF THE REGISTERED DELEGATES PRESENT AT THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE.

THIS CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS CONTAINS ALL AMENDMENTS ADOPTED BY THE NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE AS OF 8/12/85, 8/14/88, 8/12/91, 8/23/92, 10/24/92, 8/1/93, 8/14/94, 3/25/00, AND 8/12/08.

GARY MEDDOCK, NATIONAL SADDEST SAD SACK	8/6/08
BILL NOLTNER, NATIONAL SQUIRE SADDEST SAD SACK	8/6/08
ROBERT SALLIBURY, AMVET NATIONAL JUDGE ADVOCATE	8/6/08

**SAD SACK NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE RULES**

SECTION 1.

NATIONAL SCRIMMAGE SHALL BE COMPLETE BUSSINESS SESSION, THEN AT A PARTICULAR TIME WILL BE SET ASIDE FOR FUN.

SECTION 2.

THE SAD SACK UNIFORM, CONSISTING OF SACK AND HEADCAP WILL NOT BE WORN EXCEPT WHEN PARTISIPATING IN THE SCRIMMAGE, PARADE, OR OTHER AUTHORIZED FUNCTIONS, REGULAR ATTAIRE SHALL BE WORN UNDERNEATH THE SACK.

SECTION 3.

FAILURE TO HAVE A SCRIMMAGE REGISTRATION BADGE, AMVET AND SAD SACK CARDS, SAD SACK INSIGNIA IN PIN OR PATCH FORM, AMVETS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION BLANKS (2) AND T.S.C PUNCH, WILL RESULT IN A FINE OF \$1.01 FOR EACH OFFENCE.

SECTION 4.

FAILURE TO KNOW SAD SACK SECRET PASS WORD BY REGULAR MEMBER OF SAD SACKS WILL BE FINED \$1.01. NATIONAL SADDERS OR NATIONAL SADDEST , FAILURE TO KNOW PASS WORD, SHALL BE FINED \$1.57.

SECTION 5

FINE TO LEAVE ROOM SHALL BE \$.25 TO RE-ENTER \$.25, FAILURE TO ASK PERMISSION \$.27.

SECTION 6

FOR BEING LATE FOR SCRIMMAGE SESSION THERE WILL BE A FINE OF \$.25 FOR THE FIRST HOUR AND AN ADDITIONAL \$.01 FOR EVERY MINUTE THEREAFTER.

SECTION 7.

MAXIMUM FINE THAT CAN BE ASSESSED BY THE SADDEST SHALL BE \$.75, EXCEPT BY TRIAL OR ACTION OF THESE RULES, BOND FOR TRIAL SHALL BE SET AT \$1.01.

SECTION 8.

ANY SACK SEEKING TO GAIN RECOGNATION ON THIS FLOOR MUST STATE HIS NAME, TITLE, NAME AND NUMBER OF THE SACK AND NAME OF CITY. FAILURE TO DO SO IS AN AUTOMATIC FINE OF \$1.01. REPEATED VIOLATORS MAY BE FINED UP TO \$.25 BY THE SADDEST.

SECTION 9.

ALL TRIALS REQUESTED BY SACKS SHALL BE HELD BEFORE THE COMPLETION OF THE SCRIMMAGE BUSINESS.

SECTION 10.

NO SAD SACK OFFICER OR DLEGATE SHALL BE SEATED AS A VOTING MEMBER, IF THEIR RESPECTIVE SACK UNIT OR DEPARTMENT IS INDEBTED TO THE NATIONAL SAD SACKS. ANY SACK MEMBER INDEBTED TO NATIONAL SAD SACKS SHALL NOT BE SEATED AS A VOTING DELEGATE.

SECTION 11.

FULL SAD SACK DRESS SHALL BE THE UNIFORM AT ALL SESSIONS. OPTIONAL AT THE SAD SACK BANQUETS.

SECTION 12.

THERE SHALL BE A FINE OF \$.51 FOR NOT SALUTING THE FLAG WHEN APPROACHING THE FLAG.

**SAD SACK NATIONAL ELECTION RULES**

SECTION 1.

SAD SACK REGISTRATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ELECTION SHALL CLOSE AT NOON ON THE LAST DAY OF THE SCRIMMAGE.

SECTION 2.

EACH NATIONAL SADDER SAD SACK SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE.

SECTION 3.

ALL ELECTED NATIONAL OFFICERS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE, EXCEPT THE NATIONAL SADDEST, WHO SHALL VOTE IN CASE OF A TIE.

SECTION 4.

EACH DEPARTMENT SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) DELEGATE, AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE (SACKER). THE ALTERNATES MAY VOTE ONLY IN THE ABSENCE OF THEIR RESPECTIVE DELEGATES.

SECTION 5.

LOCAL SACK UNITS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) DELEGATE, AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE FOR THEIR INITIAL TEN (10) MEMBERS, AND ONE (1) DELEGATE AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE FOR EACH MAJOR PORTION OF TEN (10) MEMBERS, THEREAFTER. THE ALTERNATE MAY VOTE ONLY IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PROSPECTIVE DELEGATE.

SECTION 6.

ALTERNATED SHALL HAVE ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF THE DELEGATES, EXCEPT, THAT OF THE RIGHT TO VOTE WHEN THEIR DELEGATES ARE PRESENT.

SECTION 7.

THREE (3) TELLERS SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE NATIONAL SADDESRS FROM THE REGISTERED SAD SACKS, IF POSSIBLE, ALL JUDGES SHALL BE NATIONAL SADDERS REGISTERED AND IN ATTENDANCE.

SECTION 8.

NOMINATIONS FOR SAD SACK OFFICERS SHALL BE OPEN UNTIL EACH OFFICE IS UP FOR BALLOTING. THERE SHALL BE A FINE OF \$1.01 FOR BEING NOMINATED FOR AN OFFICE AND A FINE OF \$1.51 IF ELECTED. TO DECLINE A NOMINATION THE FINE SHALL BE \$1.57. FINES SHALL BE LIMITED TO ONE (1) NOMINATION, ONE (1) ELECTION AND ONE (1) DECLINING OF A NOMINATION.

SECTION 9.

THERE SHALL BE A FINE OF \$.51 FOR NOT SALUTING THE FLAG WHEN APPROACHING THE FLAG.

SECTION 10.

NO SAD SACK CAN HOLD A NATIONAL OFFICE UNLESS HE OR SHE HAS BEEN ACTIVE FOR ONE (1) YEAR AS A SAD SACK AND SHOW PROOF OF IT.

SECTION 11.

NO YARD BIRD CAN HOLD ANY NATIONAL OR STATE OR LOCAL OFFICE.

NATIONAL SAD SACK FINES:

1. SADDEST NOT HAVING MASCOT ON DISPLAY AT SCRIMMAGES,BANQUETS, OR SACK AFFAIRS	\$3.01
2.SADDEST HAVING MASCOT STOLEN FROM HIS POSSESSION	\$3.01
3. STEALER OF MASCOT	\$3.01
4. NATIONAL SADDERS NOT KNOWING SECRET PASS WORD	\$1.57
5. NATIONAL SADDEST NOT KNOWING SECRET PASS WORD	\$1.57
6. DECLINING NOMINATION	\$1.57
7. NOMINATION TO OFFICE	\$1.01
8. NOMINATION FOR OFFICE	\$1.01
9. ANYONE HAVING HAND IN STEALING MASCOT	\$1.01
10. ELECTED TO OFFICE	\$1.01
11. YARD BIRDS AFTER INITIATION	\$1.01
12. BOND FOR TRIAL	\$1.01
13. MAXIMUM FINE ASSESSED	\$1.01
14. NOT SALUTING THE FLAG	\$0.51
15. LEAVING SCRIMMAGE WITHOUT PERMISSION	\$0.27
16. NOT WEARING SACK CAP	\$0.27
17. REPEATED VIOLATOR	\$0.27
18. LATE FOR SCRIMMAGE FOR FIRST HOUR	\$0.25
19. HOLDING PRIVATE SCRIMMAGE	\$0.17
20. LEAVING SCRIMMAGE WITHOUT PERMISSION	\$0.17
21. RE-ENTERING SCRIMMAGE WITH PERMISSION	\$0.17
22. NO REGISTRATION CARD	\$0.17
23. NO AMVET CARD	\$0.17
24. NO SAD SACK CARD	\$0.17
25. NO SAD SACK INSIGNIA IN PIN OR PATCH FORM	\$0.17
26. NOT HAVING AMVETS APPLICATION	\$0.17
27. USING THE WORD THINK	\$0.11
28. NOT VOTING	\$0.11
29. USING WRONG HAND FOR VOTING	\$0.11
30. BORROWING MONEY	\$0.11
31. FAILURE OF STATING NAME, TITLE, NUMBER OF SACK AND NAME OF CITY	\$0.11
32. LOANING MONEY	\$0.11
33. EACH ADDITIONAL MINUTE AFTER FIRST HOUR BEING LATE	\$0.01





