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WASHINGTON AMBASSADORS BY-LAWS

A. PURPOSE

- To be the official welcoming committee for the city, county and state events as an extension of the Washington Chamber of Commerce.
- 2. To create good will with enthusiasm and hospitality.
- 3. To relate pertinent information in regard to our city, county and state.
- 4. To call, as a group, on new businesses, dedications of community projects. We will call on business anniversaries (10, 15, 20, 25 etc.). We will not visit new managers of any business. We will visit businesses when they have an expansion or move to a new location per Ambassador Officer discretion.
- The Chamber staff will make the necessary arrangements for each Ambassador call- i.e. New business, visitor, etc.

B. **ELIGIBILITY AND QUALIFICATIONS**

- 1. Ambassadors shall represent all segments of the population.
- 2. Honorary Ambassadors shall be Ambassadors who are no longer able to maintain an active status, and have requested to be placed on the honorary rolls.
- 3. Any one chamber membership shall have a maximum of three Ambassadors.
- 4. Each Ambassador shall represent a member of the Chamber.

C. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

There will be an annual meeting called by the Ambassador President, in January if available, for the election of
officers and any other business. New officers will assume their duties immediately following the annual meeting.

D. **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

- 1. Officers shall have the authority to call special meetings.
- The named representative may attend the monthly Chamber Board meetings as a representative of the Ambassadors.

E. REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Each Ambassador shall be expected to make all calls possible, with the understanding that they are not to actively promote a competing business during this time.
- 2. Any expenses occurred will be handled by each individual Ambassador. There will be a \$25.00 assessment each year for both active and honorary Ambassadors.
- 3. Promote a positive relationship with the Chamber.
- 4. Disregarding requirements will be a reason for discontinuation of Ambassador membership.

F. APPAREL

- 1. Ambassador apparel shall consist of a blazer.
- 2. The cost incurred in obtaining an Ambassador Jacket and Badge is the responsibility of the Ambassador. If a jacket is available due to a resignation it can be purchased by or loaned to the new Ambassador.
- 3. Ambassador apparel shall be worn only for Ambassador calls.

G. **EXCEPTIONS**

1. An exception to any of the rules can be presented by an officer at a quarterly meeting. Exceptions can be approved or rejected by a majority vote of Ambassadors in attendance.

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