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To: Judge Advocate, Department of North Carolina
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Subj: 2026 DoNC Proposed Bylaws Amendment Article Two Section 215 - VACANCY

In accordance with the National Bylaws Article XI, Sections 1100, and National Administrative Procedures Section 10020, and DBL Article Eight, Section 800 the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the 2026 Department Convention.

CURRENT SECTION:

Section 215 - VACANCY - The order of succession to the office of Commandant shall be Senior Vice Commandant, and Junior Vice Commandant.

A. In the event of vacancies of the Executive Board of Trustees, the Commandant, with the advice and approval of the Department Board of Trustees, shall appoint a successor to serve in the position until the next Convention.

PROPOSED SECTION (New Language in RED)

SECTION 215 - VACANCY - The order of succession to the office of Commandant shall be Senior Vice Commandant, and Junior Vice Commandant.

A. In the event of vacancies of the Executive Board of Trustees, the provisions of NBL Article Eight Section 825 a (2) through (4) shall apply.

CHANGE RATIONALE: This change is necessary to remain consistent with NBL Article Eight Section 825. It provides specific language in the event of a vacancy of the Commandant and the SVC and JVC choose not to ascend to Commandant. The Division Commandant must work with the rest of the department staff to determine the next Department Commandant

Respectfully Submitted,

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