APPENDIX TO THE AGENDA GENERAL SESSION JUNE 5, 2024

BYLAW AMENDMENTS FOR RATIFICATION

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	Would Read After Amendment
Proposal #1 ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section 1. PRESIDENT The President shall: A. Serve as chief executive officer and official representative of NGC.	ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section 1. PRESIDENT The President shall: A. Serve as chief executive officer and official representative of NGC and Chairman of the Board.	ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section 1. PRESIDENT The President shall: A. Serve as official representative of NGC and Chairman of the Board.

Rationale: Accurately identify the leader of the organization.

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Proposal #2 ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS APPOINTED OFFICERS Section 10. HISTORIAN The Historian shall: B. Obtain histories from States for placement in the NGC archives, effective with the 2019-2021 administration. C. Submit a history for review to a committee appointed by the outgoing President. Submit the history for editing to the committee one month after the NGC Convention following the close of the previous administration.	ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS APPOINTED OFFICERS Section 10. HISTORIAN The Historian shall: B. Obtain histories from States for placement in the NGC to be archived effective with the 2019-2021 administration at Headquarters. C. Submit a history of the NGC term for review to -a committee appointed by the outgoing the Immediate Past President Submit the history for editing to the committee one month after the NGC Convention following the close of the previous administration.	ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS APPOINTED OFFICERS Section 10. HISTORIAN The Historian shall: B. Obtain histories from States to be archived at Headquarters. C. Submit a history of the NGC term for review to the Immediate Past President one month after the NGC Convention.

Rationale: The history of each term will be collected by the Historian and archived at Headquarters.

ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS APPOINTED OFFICERS Section 12. PERMANENT HOME AND ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES DIRECTOR The Chairman, hereinafter referred to as the Director, shall: ADD NEW ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS APPOINTED OFFICERS Section 12. PERMANENT HOME AND ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES DIRECTOR The Chairman, hereinafter referred to as the Director, shall: H. Serve as Chairman of the Search Committee for an Executive Director and appoint three members who shall not be officers or serve on the Executive or Finance Committees. ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section 12. PERMANENT HOME AND ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES DIRECTOR The Chairman, hereinafter referred to as the Director, shall: H. Serve as Chairman of the Search Committee for an Executive Director and appoint three members who shall not be officers or serve on the Executive or Finance Committees.	Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	Would Read After Amendment
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Rationale: The Permanent Home & Endowment Director will administer the Search Committee for an Executive Director and will be responsible for selecting an objective committee.

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Proposal #4		
ARTICLE XVI –	ARTICLE XVI –	ARTICLE XVI –
COMMITTEES	COMMITTEES	COMMITTEES
Section 1. STANDING	Section 1. STANDING	Section 1. STANDING
COMMITTEES	COMMITTEES	COMMITTEES
B. Unless otherwise	B. Unless otherwise	B. Unless otherwise
prescribed by these Bylaws,	prescribed by these Bylaws,	prescribed by these Bylaws,
Chairmen and Committee	Chairmen and Committee	Chairmen and Committee
members are appointed for	members are appointed for	members are appointed for
the term of the current	the term of the current	the term of the current
President. They may	President. They may	President. They may
continue by reappointment,	continue by reappointment,	continue by reappointment,
not to exceed three	not to exceed three	not to exceed three
consecutive terms.	consecutive terms.	consecutive terms.
Exception: International	Exception: International	Exceptions may be made at
Affiliates may serve more	Affiliates may serve more	the discretion of the
than three consecutive terms.	than three consecutive terms.	President.
	Exceptions may be made at	

the discretion of the President.	

Rationale: Standing Committee chairmen and members shall be determined by the President and shall be members of the Board of Directors for that term.

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Proposal #5 ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES Section 5. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE The Membership Committee shall consist of a Chairman appointed by the President with a minimum of six members on the committee.	ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES Section 5. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE The Membership Committee shall consist of a Chairman appointed by the President with a minimum of six members on the committee. and a minimum of three additional members, all appointed by the President.	ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES Section 5. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE The Membership Committee shall consist of a Chairman and a minimum of three additional members, all appointed by the President.

Rationale: Changing the required number of members provides the President with latitude to appoint their desired member of committee members.

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	-	Amendment
Proposal #6		
ARTICLE XVII – FINANCES	ARTICLE XVII – FINANCES	ARTICLE XVII – FINANCES
Section 3. FINANCE	Section 3. FINANCE	Section 3. FINANCE
COMMITTEE	COMMITTEE	COMMITTEE
A. MEMBERSHIP	A. MEMBERSHIP	A. MEMBERSHIP
1. The Finance Committee	1. The Finance Committee	1. The Finance Committee
shall consist of the Second	shall consist of the Second	shall consist of the Second
Vice President as Chairman,	Vice President as Chairman,	Vice President as Chairman,
the First Vice	the First Vice	the First Vice
President/President-elect, the	President/President-elect, the	President/President-elect, the
Treasurer, the Director of the	Third Vice President, the	Third Vice President, the
Permanent Home and	Treasurer, the Director of the	Treasurer, the Director of the
Endowment Trustees and a	Permanent Home and	Permanent Home and
minimum of three members	Endowment Trustees and a	Endowment Trustees and a
and no more than six	minimum of three members	minimum of three members
members appointed by the	and no more than six	appointed by the President.
President. The Chairman	members appointed by the	The Chairman shall report at
shall report at each meeting	President. The Chairman	each meeting of the
of the Executive Committee	shall report at each meeting	Executive Committee and the
	of the Executive Committee	

and the Board of Directors	and the Board of Directors	Board of Directors and at the
and at the NGC Convention.	and at the NGC Convention.	NGC Convention.
2. The Third Vice President,	2. The Third Vice President	2. The Parliamentarian and
the Parliamentarian and the	the Parliamentarian, and the	the Executive Director shall
Executive Director shall	Executive Director shall	attend the meetings and
attend the meetings and	attend the meetings and	participate, except for the
participate, except for the	participate, except for the	right to make motions and the
right to make motions and the	right to make motions and the	right to vote.
right to vote.	right to vote.	

Rationale: The Finance Committee was added to the duties of the Third Vice President (Article IX, Section 5, C) in May 2023. Changing the required number of members provides the President with latitude to appoint their desired number of committee members.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	Would Read After Amendment
Proposal #7 ARTICLE XVII – FINANCES Section 3. FINANCE COMMITTEE B. Duties 5. Evaluate the efficiency and cooperation of staff members.	ARTICLE XVII – FINANCES Section 3. FINANCE COMMITTEE B. Duties 5. Evaluate the efficiency and cooperation of staff members.	Delete and Renumber

Rationale: Per the 2023 Bylaw change, the HQ staff evaluation was removed from Finance Committee.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	Would Read After Amendment
Proposal #8 ARTICLE XVIII –	ARTICLE XVIII –	ARTICLE XVIII –
PERMANENT HOME AND ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES	PERMANENT HOME AND ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES	PERMANENT HOME AND ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES
Section 2. Duties	Section 2. Duties	Section 2. Duties
A. The Trustees shall keep	A. The Trustees shall keep	A. The Trustees shall keep
minutes and report action	minutes and report action	minutes and report action
taken to the Executive	taken to the Executive	taken to the Executive
Committee at its regular	Committee at its regular	Committee at its regular
meeting. Business of an	meeting. Business of an	meeting. Business of an
urgent nature may be	urgent nature may be	urgent nature may be
transacted by electronic	transacted by electronic	transacted by electronic
device or postal mail as	device or postal mail as	device or postal mail as
authorized by the Director.	authorized by the Director.	authorized by the Director.
B. The Trustees shall be	B. The Trustees shall be	B. The Trustees shall be
responsible for enlargement	responsible for enlargement	responsible for enlargement
and improvement of the	and improvement of the	and improvement of the
grounds and buildings;	grounds and buildings;	grounds and buildings;
furnishings and equipment of	furnishings and equipment of	furnishings and equipment of
NGC Headquarters as	NGC Headquarters as	NGC Headquarters as

and repair thereof. Routine items shall be the responsibility of the Executive Director. C. Four members shall constitute the quorum. and repair thereof. Routine items shall be the responsibility of the Executive Director. C. Four members shall constitute the quorum. and repair thereof. Routine items shall be the responsibility of the Executive Director. C. Four members shall constitute the quorum. The			
staff prior to the annual convention and submit to the Executive Committee for information only. The adjustments will become effective June 1. Adjustments for added responsibilities may be considered at any time.	reconstruction, maintenance, and repair thereof. Routine items shall be the responsibility of the Executive Director. C. Four members shall	reconstruction, maintenance, and repair thereof. Routine items shall be the responsibility of the Executive Director. C. Four members shall constitute the quorum. The Trustees shall approve salary adjustments for Headquarters staff prior to the annual convention and submit to the Executive Committee for information only. The adjustments will become effective June 1. Adjustments for added responsibilities may be	reconstruction, maintenance, and repair thereof. Routine items shall be the responsibility of the Executive Director. C. The Trustees shall approve salary adjustments for Headquarters staff prior to the annual convention and submit to the Executive Committee for information only. The adjustments will become effective June 1. Adjustments for added responsibilities may be

Rationale: Per the 2023 Bylaw change, the HQ salary adjustment and staff evaluations were removed from Finance Committee. PH&E Trustees are responsible for all other Headquarters related expenses and staff. Quorum requirements do not need to be listed.

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Proposal #9 ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES Section 6. ORGANIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE D. Be responsible for sending any proposed Bylaw amendment to <i>The National</i> Gardener to be published in the Winter issue.	ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES Section 6. ORGANIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE D. Be responsible for sending any proposed Bylaw amendment to <i>The National</i> Gardener to be published in the Winter issue. the website for publication.	ARTICLE XVI – COMMITTEES Section 6. ORGANIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE D. Be responsible for sending any proposed Bylaw amendment to the website for publication.

Rationale: The National Gardener no longer publishes proposed Bylaw changes. They are only on the website.