



**Beirut Veterans of America  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
Beirut Veterans of America Members**

Date: 12 October 2025

To: Beirut Veterans of America Membership  
From: Gregory Hunt, Chairman, BVA Bylaws Committee  
Subject: Notice of BVA Bylaws Proposed Changes

Per Article XV, Amendments, paragraph 2, this serves as the official 10 day notice of change proposals to the Beirut Veterans of America Bylaws. Attached are the proposals and each will be brought to the floor during the 2025 Annual Membership Meeting and the members in good standing present will vote to accept or reject the proposed changes.

No changes will be presented or discussed at the 2025 Annual Membership Meeting that have not been submitted and vetted.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Hunt  
Vice Chairman, Beirut Veterans of America Board of Directors  
Chairman, Beirut Veterans of America Bylaws Committee  
Beirut Veterans of America



#1

BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date 25 Sept 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: (Submitters Name, Address, Membership Number)

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the OCT 22 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

CURRENT (how the current Bylaws are worded)

705. Only natural persons who are regular members in good standing designated as veteran, next of kin or family shall be entitled to hold an elected office as board members or directors. Any natural person member may hold positions on committees. Any person or an entity may be appointed to a subservient position to assist the organization at the discretion of the board of directors.

PROPOSED (worded how you would like to see it changed)

705. Only natural persons who are regular members in good standing designated as veteran, next of kin, affiliate, honorary or family shall be entitled to hold an elected office as board members or directors.

The remainder would be worded the same.

RATIONALE:

Give brief and concise reasoning for requesting the change

This allows more members who are listed under Article 5 membership, and are authorize for life membership to be allowed to become a board member and vote on matters affecting the organization, since we're all getting older, this opens the way for others who support the BVA to continue on the organization.

Signature *Myron Jey*  
Typed Name *Myron Jey*  
Position within BVA, if any  
Beirut Veterans of America  
*Membership # 170*

22 October 2025





#2

BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date 25 Sept 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: (Submitters Name, Address, Membership Number)

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the 22 Oct 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

CURRENT (how the current Bylaws are worded)

Section:

720. Except as otherwise provided by law, at an annual meeting or a special meeting of directors or members called expressly for that purpose, any director may be removed with or without cause, by super majority vote of the board ( being one vote more than a simple majority) or a simple majority of the membership.

PROPOSED (worded how you would like to see it changed)

720. Except as otherwise provided by law, at an annual meeting or a special meeting of directors or members called expressly for that purpose, any director may be removed, suspended or given a written reprimand with or without cause, by supermajority vote of the board ( being one vote more than a simple majority ) or a simple majority of the membership.

RATIONALE:

Give brief and concise reasoning for requesting the change

It is covered in Article section 910 in the bylaws about suspending or a written reprimand for someone in the membership, this also should be afforded to officers and board members.

Respectfully submitted, *Myron Kyle*

Signature

Typed Name *MYRON KYLE*

Position within BVA, if any

Beirut Veterans of America

*Membership #170*

22 October 2025

#3



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date 25 Sept 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: (Submitters Name, Address, Membership Number)

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the OCT 22 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

CURRENT (how the current Bylaws are worded)

Section:

720. Last paragraph. All directors and officers, unless removed from office should consider their honor, duty integrity in remaining in their seat until properly replaced.

PROPOSED (worded how you would like to see it changed)

720. Last paragraph. All directors and officers, unless removed from office should consider their honor duty and integrity in remaining in their seat until properly replaced and are not permitted to hold another position in the organization until after the expiration of their original term that they are resigning from.

RATIONALE:

This will stop someone from resigning and then coming back onto the board several months later, you want someone who is committed to the overall running of the organization and sticks to what they say and held accountable for their actions.

Respectfully submitted,

*Myron Ksh*  
Signature

Typed Name Myron Ksh

Position within BVA, if any  
Beirut Veterans of America

#170

22 October 2025





#4

BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date 25 Sept 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: (Submitters Name, Address, Membership Number)

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the 22 OCT 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

CURRENT (how the current Bylaws are worded)

Section:

710. 3rd paragraph. All nominees to the board of directors and all elected or appointed officers, must be members in good standing and must be veteran, next of kin or family members. Section 4 - the succeeding board of directors under these bylaws.

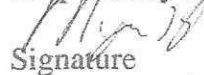
PROPOSED (worded how you would like to see it changed)

710. 3rd paragraph. All nominees to the board of directors in all elected or appointed officers, must be members in good standing and must be veteran, next of kin, affiliate, honorary or family members for a period of one year. Section 4 - the succeeding board of directors under these bylaws.

RATIONALE:

This allows more members to become a board of director or officer and possibly stops someone from joining only a month prior and then not knowing how the organization runs becoming a board member or officer.

Respectfully submitted,



Signature

Typed Name/Myron Kyle

Position within BVA, if any  
Beirut Veterans of America

# 170

22 October 2025

#5



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date 25 Sept 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: (Submitters Name, Address, Membership Number)

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the OCT 22 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

CURRENT (how the current Bylaws are worded)

710. Last paragraph, Next Of Kin- There shall be no less than two seats open to next of kin members. The remaining two seats - the remaining two seats may be held by veteran, next of kin or family members.

PROPOSED (worded how you would like to see it changed)

710. Last paragraph Next of Kin- There shall be no less than two seats open to next of kin members. The remaining two seats - the remaining two seats may be held by veteran, next of kin, affiliate, honorary or family members.

RATIONALE:

Give brief and concise reasoning for requesting the change

This would go along with the affiliate members and honorary members being able to vote and run for a board of directors position.

Respectfully submitted, *Myron Kyle*

Signature

Typed Name *Myron Kyle*

Position within BVA, if any

Beirut Veterans of America

#170

22 October 2025





#6

BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date 25 Sept 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: (Submitters Name, Address, Membership Number)

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the OCT 22nd 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

CURRENT (how the current Bylaws are worded)

715. Any vacancy occurring in the board of directors after individual affirmation may be filled by simple majority vote of the directors. Any appointed director shall serve until elections at the next regular scheduled annual meeting, or a special meeting called for the same or any other purpose, or as otherwise set forth herein. If all directors vacate their offices, the officers of the corporation shall assume the duties of the board until the next annual meeting, assuming that authority and addition to their duties.

715. Any vacancy occurring in the board of directors after individual affirmation may be filled by a simple majority vote of the directors. Any appointed director shall serve until elections at the next regular scheduled meeting, or at a special meeting called for the same or any other purpose, or as otherwise set forth herein being utilized in the capacity for a quorum only to conduct business. If all directors vacate their offices, the officers of the corporation shall assume the duties of the board until the next annual meeting, assuming that authority and addition to their duties.

RATIONALE:

Give brief and concise reasoning for requesting the change

This will stop board members filling vacancies and then having votes on the running of the organization and then resigning one or two months later after things have been already voted upon by the board which could have detrimental effect on the running of organization whether it be financial or executive.

Signature

Typed Name MYRON 196

Position within BVA, if any  
Beirut Veterans of America

# 170

22 October 2025



# 7

BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 22 October 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors

From: Gregory Hunt, BVA Vice Chairman Board of Directors, Bylaws Committee Chairman

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded):

**Section 1325. Financial Assistance.** The President, Chairman of the Board, or a Board Member may authorize once per lifetime financial assistance to a member in good standing up to \$250.00 on request when that member has suffered dire financial hardship. This assistance may only be authorized if the Corporation has a cash balance in excess of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00). Should additional funds be requested, or, if a second or subsequent request is made by that member, the same must be approved by a majority of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may, on its own or by an appointed Committee formed for that purpose, set forth policies and procedures in furtherance of this Section.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed):

**Section 1325. Financial Assistance.** The President, Chairman of the Board, or a Majority of the Board Members may authorize once per lifetime financial assistance to a member in good standing up to \$500.00 on request when that member has suffered dire financial hardship. This assistance may only be authorized if the Corporation has a cash balance in excess of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00). Should additional funds be requested, or, if a second or subsequent request is made by that member, the same must be approved by a majority of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may, on its own or by an appointed Committee formed for that purpose, set forth policies and procedures in furtherance of this Section.

**RATIONALE:**

This raises the amount a member in good standing can request to help in a dire financial situation. With the cost of living in 2025 and potentially increasing, this increase in assistance will ensure the member more comfort in helping to meet their financial instability at the time.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Hunt





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BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 22 October 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors

From: Gregory Hunt, Vice Chairman BVA Board of Directors, Bylaws Committee Chairman

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded):

**Section 1025. Special Meetings.** Special membership meetings may be called at any time and for any purpose, by ten percent or more of the membership of the Association on at least a two day notice to each member, if such notice is delivered personally or sent by any electronic means, or at least a three day notice if sent by mail.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed):

**Section 1025. Special Meetings.** Special membership meetings may be called at any time and for any purpose, by ten percent (10%) or more of the membership of the Association on at least a thirty (30) day notice to each member. Upon a call for a Special Meeting, it will be posted onto the Member365 website with a full description of the purpose of the Special Called meeting, along with a poll box that allows the members to indicate if they agree with a called Special Meeting for the purpose stated or not. Utilizing the Poll Box will indicate if the 10% of members have been met.

**RATIONALE:**

This change will clarify how the 10% of members requirement is met and it gives ample time with the change to a 30 day notice requirement.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Hunt

#9



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 22 October 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors

From: Gregory Hunt, Vice Chairman BVA Board of Directors, Bylaws Committee Chairman

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

**Section 710. Board of Directors Elections and Terms**

**Paragraph 2:** A member nominated (or self-nominated) to the Board of Directors need not be present to be elected but must indicate acceptance of the nomination via any electronic mode (email, text, social media, in actual writing, et cetera) or by verbal confirmation to a Board Member or Officer prior to said election.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

**Section 710. Board of Directors Elections and Terms**

**Paragraph 2:** A member nominated (or self-nominated) to the Board of Directors must be present to be elected.

**RATIONALE:**

This ensures the member wanting to serve on the BVA Board of Directors is in attendance showing their willingness, dedication and ability to be present to represent the membership on the Board of Directors. Not requiring them to be present to be elected, could indicate their future attendance at Board Meetings and/or Membership Meetings. Board of Director members must make an attempt or showing to be present.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Hunt



#10



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 22 October 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors

From: Gregory Hunt, Vice Chairman BVA Board of Directors, Bylaws Committee Chairman

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded):

**ARTICLE XV, AMENDMENTS** - The Board of Directors shall have the power to make, alter, amend and repeal these Bylaws, and to adopt new bylaws, by affirmative vote of a super-majority of the directors then in office, provided that notice of the proposal to make, alter, amend or repeal these Bylaws, or to adopt new bylaws, must be included in the notice of the meeting of the Board of Directors at which such action takes place.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed) :

**ARTICLE XV, AMENDMENTS** - The membership present at the Annual Membership Meeting shall make, alter, amend and repeal these Bylaws, and to adopt new bylaws, by affirmative vote of a majority of those present, provided that notice of the proposal to make, alter, amend or repeal these Bylaws, or to adopt new bylaws, must be included in the notice of the Annual Membership Meeting at which such action takes place.

**RATIONALE:**

This change gives the power back to the membership in what they want to be the rule of law within the BVA Bylaws. This takes away the possibility of the Board of Directors making changes to the Bylaws without the membership being aware or agreeing with it. In the past and currently the Bylaws could be changed once or 20 times throughout the year at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. This makes it clear that the Bylaws could or would be changed once a year at the Annual Membership meeting and with the approval of the members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Hunt



#11

BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 22 October 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors

From: Gregory Hunt, Vice Chairman BVA Board of Directors, Bylaws Committee Chairman

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

**ARTICLE XV, AMENDMENTS** - The membership of the Association must be notified of any changes in the Bylaws. Members not in attendance at the Annual Meeting may offer amendments to the bylaws, provided such a request is received in writing (email, text, hardcopy, fax, et cetera) timely enough to be placed on the Corporation's webpage at least ten (10) days prior to the Annual Meeting held October 22nd each year (therefore, received on or before October 11th each year). The Membership may vote on said amendment at the Annual Meeting if a second to the Amendment is received from the floor by a regular member.

A member in good standing may propose an amendment to these bylaws in person at the Annual Meeting. The proposal requires a second. An adequate period of discussion shall be afforded all members in attendance. A member, officer or board member may call for the question on the motion. A majority decides the question.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

The membership of the BVA must be notified of any changes being proposed in the Bylaws. Members may offer amendments to the bylaws, provided such a request is received in writing (email, text, hardcopy, fax, et cetera) timely enough to be placed on the Corporation's webpage at least ten (10) days prior to the Annual Meeting held October 22nd each year (therefore, received on or before October 11th each year). The Membership will vote on each proposed Bylaw Change to either accept, reject, or send back for rewrite. A simple majority vote by the members present dictates which.

**RATIONALE:**

This change will require all proposed changes to the BVA Bylaws to be submitted in the same format and in a timely manner to ensure they can be published on the Member365 website for members to review. By having them submitted in advance of the meeting, ensures the meeting runs smoothly and within the time frame we are allotted at the meeting location.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Hunt





BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 6 October, 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: Daniel Guilfoil

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

None currently exists

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

**Section 1335. Financial Audit.** The annual report of the Treasurer shall be audited not less than annually by a three-person committee appointed by the Board of Directors or, upon a majority vote of the Board, may be audited by a professional.

**RATIONALE:**

There should be a regular verified accounting of funds received/disbursed by the organization.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel T. Guilfoil

#13



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 6 October, 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: Daniel Guilfoil

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

**Section 900. Complaints:**

If the Panel determines that the alleged conduct, if true, is prejudicial, it will set a date for a hearing not less than three (3) or more than six (6) weeks after such determination. The Panel Secretary will send a copy of the complaint to the accused member by a method that will ensure delivery, together with a notice of the hearing. The notice will advise the accused member that they may appear and present witnesses in his defense. The Panel may appoint an independent investigator to gather additional evidence.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

If the Panel determines that the alleged conduct, if true, is prejudicial, it will set a date for a hearing not less than three (3) or more than six (6) weeks after such determination. The Panel Secretary will send a copy of the complaint to the accused member by registered U.S. mail, email with delivery confirmation received, or facsimile with transmittal confirmation, together with a notice of the hearing. The notice will advise the accused member that they may appear and present witnesses in his defense. The Panel may appoint an independent investigator to gather additional evidence.

**RATIONALE:**

There should be clear, incontrovertible documentation of receipt by the accused, and on what date.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel T. Guilfoil





#14

BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 6 October, 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: Daniel Guilfoil

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

**Section 920. Review by the Board of Directors.** Within fourteen (14) days of service by first class mail or electronic mail of a report from the Panel imposing Corrective Action on a member, said member may request that the BOD review the decision of the Panel by providing written notice to the Secretary.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

**Section 920. Review by the Board of Directors.** Within fourteen (14) days of service by registered U.S. mail, email with delivery confirmation received, or facsimile with transmittal confirmation of a report from the Panel imposing Corrective Action on a member, said member may request that the BOD review the decision of the Panel by providing written notice to the Secretary.

**RATIONALE:**

There should be clear, incontrovertible documentation of receipt by the member, and on what date.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel T. Guilfoil



#15

BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 6 October, 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: Daniel Guilfoil

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

**Section 925. Appeal to the Board of Directors.** A member may appeal the decision of the BOD by providing written notice to the Secretary within fourteen (14) days of the service by first-class mail or electronic mail of a report from the BOD imposing or affirming Corrective Action on said member.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

**Section 925. Appeal to the Board of Directors.** A member may appeal the decision of the BOD by providing written notice to the Secretary within fourteen (14) days of the service by registered U.S. mail, email with delivery confirmation received, or facsimile with transmittal confirmation of a report from the BOD imposing or affirming Corrective Action on said member.

**RATIONALE:**

This change would keep the language in line with a proposed change to Section 920.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel T. Guilfoil



#16



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 6 October, 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: Daniel Guilfoil

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

**Section 600. Voting.** Regular Members in good standing (A member in good standing is defined as a life member, or member whose dues are current), shall be eligible to vote for board members, officers if not in contravention to other directives of these Bylaws, and on matters properly before the membership for vote. Voting rights are limited to living persons.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

**Section 600. Voting.** Regular Members in good standing (A member in good standing is defined as a life member, or member whose dues are current), shall be eligible to vote for board members, officers if not in contravention to other directives of these Bylaws, and on matters properly before the membership for vote. Voting rights are limited to living persons. Voting shall take place by written ballot.

**RATIONALE:**

To allow members to vote without censure or pressure that might come from a show of hands.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel T. Guilfoil

#17



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 6 October, 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors  
From: Daniel Guilfoil

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

**Section 910. Levels of Findings and/or Corrective Action:**

- d. The BVA Board of Directors may accept a member's resignation from the BVA, without admitting guilt of any wrongdoing, in lieu of a Hearing Panel being impaneled. If a member resigns their membership, they will be prohibited from applying to become a member again for a period of time set forth by the BVA Board of Directors on a case-by-case basis.

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

**Section 910. Levels of Findings and/or Corrective Action:**

- d. The BVA Board of Directors may accept a member's resignation from the BVA, without admitting guilt of any wrongdoing, in lieu of a Hearing Panel being impaneled. If a member resigns their membership, they will be prohibited from applying to become a member again for a period of time set forth by the BVA Board of Directors on a case-by-case basis, and only after a Hearing Panel has adjudicated the original complaint as set out in the bylaws.

**RATIONALE:**

As written, this section basically allows a member to circumvent a complaint by resigning and then rejoining at a later date without ever having to face due process for that complaint.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel T. Guilfoil



#18



BEIRUT VETERANS OF AMERICA  
Board of Directors  
Officers  
BVA Members

Date: 22 October 2025

To: Chairman, BVA Board of Directors

From: Gregory Hunt, Vice Chairman BVA Board of Directors, Bylaws Committee Chairman

Subject: Proposed Beirut Veterans of America Preamble and Bylaws

In accordance with the BVA Preamble and Bylaws, Article XV, AMENDMENTS, the following is submitted for consideration by the Board of Directors as authorized by current BVA Bylaws, or by the body assembled at the 2025 BVA Annual Membership Meeting.

**CURRENT** (how the current Bylaws are worded)

**ARTICLE XV, AMENDMENTS:** None currently exists

**PROPOSED** (worded how you would like to see it changed)

**ADD THIS PARAGRAPH:**

The BVA Board of Directors and/or Bylaws Committee shall have the authority to identify, correct errors and fix formatting in the BVA Bylaws that are deemed to be clerical in nature where the error is clear to the Board and Committee, and the correction shall make no material change to the intent, form, or function of the Bylaw.

**RATIONALE:**

Adding this paragraph allows the BVA Board of Directors and/or the Bylaws Committee to fix or correct anything in the Bylaws deemed to be clerical, punctuation, and grammatical errors in nature without having to wait to bring it before the membership. No changes will be made that change the language or intent of the Bylaws by administrative means.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Hunt