**BY-LAWS OF THE SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL OF MISSOURI**

**ARTILE I**

SECTION 1.0, NAME

 The name of this organization is the Missouri Search and Rescue Council (MOSARC)

SECTION 1.02, PURPOSE

 MOSARC is dedicated to saving lives by search and rescue, education for individuals, organizations and agencies in the advancement of search and rescue; function as a resource in repository for data to benefit and utilization by search ready personnel on a statewide and regional level; to promote communication among SAR personnel and organizations in Missouri to achieve the above:

1. Promote education of SAR volunteers;
2. Maintain a list of certified personnel, canines and search and rescue resources

SECTION 1.03, LOGO

 The use of a logo if adopted is not to be construed as an accreditation, or certification, or credentialing or be construed as the adoption of standards, or conferred status standards or authority.

**ARTICLE II**

SECTION 2.01, MEMBERSHIP

 Individuals who have attained the age of eighteen (18) may become individual members and who are residents of the State of Missouri and paid dues in the amount of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 A completed criminal background check must be submitted with and application. No individual who has plead guilty to or been convicted of a felony is not eligible for membership.

 Any member may resign upon written notice and if dues are not paid within 60 days of the renewal date a grace period of thirty (30) days may be granted.

 Any member may be terminated or expelled for a violation of the by-laws or for good cause shown (definition).

SECTION 2.02, CHANGE IN ADDRESSES OR NAMES

 Each team, group, or individual should notify the appropriate person for any change in address, contact information, membership, or status.

SECTION 2.03, OBJECTIVES

 Coordinate and establish opportunities for communication between individual members, groups, and other non-governmental organizations within the State of Missouri regarding search and rescue matters.

 Promote training, education, and professional development opportunities for members or interested individuals within search and rescue organizations and agencies.

 Conduct educational programs. Promote the dissemination of information and discussion of search and rescue issues as it relates to the local, regional, state, and national developments.

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