## Philadelphia Continental Chapter Pennsylvania Society Sons of the American Revolution

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution Approved by Board of Management May 6, 2020 Approved by Chapter October 11, 2020

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## **Background**

- 1. The Constitution and By-Laws do not currently provide for meetings to be conducted by telephone or other means of electronic conferencing (Zoom, Skype, etc.).
- 2. Since the onset of the lockdown for the COVID-19 pandemic, some business of the Chapter has necessarily been conducted by the Executive Committee and other Committees at meetings (the "Virtual Meetings") held by electronic conferencing:
  - a. Finance Committee April 18, 2020 (minutes attached, including attachments)
  - b. Board of Management May 6, 2020 (minutes attached, including attachments)
  - c. Executive Committee August 5, 2020 (minutes attached, including attachments)
  - d. Nominating Committee August 27, 2020 (see Nominating Committee Report)
  - e. Chapter September 9, 2020 (minutes to be attached when available)
- 3. To ensure the validity of actions taken at the Virtual Meetings, it is appropriate that the Chapter retroactively ratify and approve such actions.

## **NOW THEREFORE BE IT:**

**RESOLVED**, that the Constitution, **ARTICLE VIII. Annual and Other Meetings**, be and it hereby is amended as follows (added material indicated in bold and underlined):

Section 4

The right to vote in any meeting shall be limited to the Voting Members in good standing (as defined in Article III, Section 4(a) above) in attendance <u>in person, by telephone or by other means of</u> <u>electronic conferencing</u>.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all actions taken at the Virtual Meetings be and they hereby are ratified and approved, to be effective from the original dates on which such actions were originally taken.