

1 **Resolution Number:** 404-2020

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3 **Title:** Amendment to the Bylaws Article IV Leadership, Section 1. Officers, C. Speaker of the House of
4 Delegates

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6 **Reference Committee Assignment:** Governance

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8 **Sponsor(s):** 2019-20 Governance Committee

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10 **Financial Impact:** None

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12 **Board of Trustees Comments:** The Speaker of the House is elected by the House of Delegates and is an
13 officer of the association, therefore the board believes that it would serve the association best to have
14 the Speaker of the House serve as a non-voting member of the Executive Committee to aid with
15 Executive Committee business. Should a vacancy in the position arise, the position should be filled in the
16 same manner as that of a vacancy for Vice President. Therefore, the board recommends a 'Yes' vote.

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18 **Reference Committee Comments:**

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20 **Background:** As an officer of the association, the Speaker of the House should serve as a non-voting
21 member of the Executive Committee. If a vacancy arises, the position should be filled in the same
22 manner a vice president vacancy is filled; therefore be it

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24 **RESOLUTION**

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26 **Resolved,** that the Bylaws Article IV Leadership, Section 1. Officers, C. Speaker of the House of Delegates
27 be amended to read as follows:

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30 C. Speaker of the House of Delegates

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32 i. Duties

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34 The duties of the speaker of the house include:

- 35 a. Chairperson of the House of Delegates
- 36 b. Parliamentarian of the association
- 37 c. Review association governance documents
- 38 d. Other duties as may be indicated by the Standing Rules of the House of
- 39 Delegates

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41 ii. Voting Privileges

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43 The speaker of the house is a non-voting member of the Board of Trustees **and**
44 **Executive Committee.**

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46 iii. Vacancy

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48 If a vacancy in the office of speaker of the house arises, the Board of Trustees **will**
49 **nominate predoctoral member candidates for this position. Upon notification, the**
50 **member must submit an application by the established deadline to be considered. The**

51 **Board of Trustees elects a speaker of the house** ~~fills the vacancy~~ by a majority vote. The
52 new speaker serves until one can be elected at the following House of Delegates. If the
53 speaker of the house is temporarily unable to fulfill his/her duties, the Executive
54 Committee appoints a speaker *pro tem*.

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56 **Action:**