



# 世界余氏宗親總會

## The World Yee Family Association

ONE FAMILY, ONE DREAM

同一個姓氏，同一個理想



### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

#### 世界余氏宗親總會章程

Adopted August 12, 2018

Amended June 21, 2021

ARTICLE I – Name, Objectives and Headquarters	
★Section 1	The name of this organization shall be THE WORLD YEE FAMILY ASSOCIATION. hereinafter shall referred to as "The Association."
★Section 2	The Chinese name of this organization shall be 「世界余氏宗親總會」。
★Section 3	The Association is to make friendly contacts among clansmen, to work for their well-being by strengthening the ties between the clans, to promote friendship and harmony for the purpose. No politics, no commercial nature.
★Section 4	The Association is located on the 10th floor of the Yue Building at 304 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong. The Hong Kong Yue Clansman Association 「香港余氏宗親會 - 德輔道中 304 號余氏大廈十一樓。」
ARTICLE II – Membership	
★Section 5	There are no individual members of the Association, as a group member. Local clansman must register as a legal group in their local area before they can apply to join the World Yee Family Association as members.
★Section 6	All Yee clan groups from various countries and regions of the world, must be legally registered groups, may apply for membership of the Association.
ARTICLE III – Organization	

★Section 7	The Association shall have the highest authority as the General Assembly of Members. During the recess of the delegates' convention, undertake the functions and powers of the general assembly, set up a five-member standing board of directors, and undertake the functions and powers of the general assembly to handle all matters. The five-member Council shall be elected by one representative each by the founding members (Hong Kong, the United States, Thailand, Canada, Malaysia) and the convenor shall be elected by five members for a three-year term, renewable for re-election, after each convention. Council meetings may be conducted by means of communication.																				
★Section 8	The Association shall have a certain number of members, who shall be elected by the members of each group in accordance with the following allocated places and shall jointly organize the committee.																				
★Section 9	The Association shall have a President and each country and region shall have a Vice-President, and the method for its election shall be first nominated by each country and region as a candidate, and then by the Convention General Assembly.																				
★Section 10	The Association shall have a Secretary, a Financial Officer, an Auditor-General, a Public Relations Officer, or a number of other persons, who shall be recommended by the seat of the Convention General Assembly.																				
★Section 11	Members and staff of this Board shall be re-elected for a term of three years.																				
★Section 12	<p>The number of delegates and the proportion of votes cast by members of each country.</p> <p>A. The number of members of each country attending the Convention is as follows:</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Hong Kong</td> <td>10</td> <td>Philippines</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>USA</td> <td>15</td> <td>Macau</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Canada</td> <td>12</td> <td>Singapore</td> <td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Malaysia</td> <td>10</td> <td>Indonesia</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thailand</td> <td>10</td> <td>Taiwan</td> <td>10</td> </tr> </table> <p>B. Casting of votes: Representatives of each country, regardless of the number of delegates present, may cast only one vote. (10 votes in total).</p>	Hong Kong	10	Philippines	5	USA	15	Macau	5	Canada	12	Singapore	10	Malaysia	10	Indonesia	5	Thailand	10	Taiwan	10
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★Section 13	Countries and regions are free to set up branches or liaison offices. Its organizational methods are determined by the local situation.																				
ARTICLE IV – Meetings																					
★Section 14	This Association is pro-convention, which is, in principle, held every three years. However, it may also be held in advance or later at any time in response to the actual situation, the venue of the General Assembly shall be held by countries and regions on a rotating basis.																				
★Section 15	Delegates and members of member countries and regions shall take care of their own travel and hotel expenses at each time they attend a Convention, but during the convention meetings, the organizers shall entertain meals.																				

ARTICLE V – Budget, Expenses	
★Section 16	The sources of funding for this Association and its national and regional branches are to be financed separately. The Association is financially independent from the chapters.
★Section 17	The Association and its member branches can accept sponsorship from relatives, people from all walks of life or businesses.
★Section 18	Whenever a Convention is held, due to the huge amount of money required, the country member group organizers collect discretionary of registration fees from each delegate or representative not more than US \$150, countries and regions member groups and relatives, should be strongly supported. Other methods can be sponsored by "gratuity" way.
★Section 19	The financial custody methods of this Council and its branches shall be at the discretion of each country and region.
★Section 20	In the event of an important matter in which there is no provision in this Charter, the decision shall be made by the President/Vice-President or by the General Assembly of Members.
★Section 21	In the event the procedures and rules of the meeting are not set out in this Articles of The Association, all shall be handled in accordance with the usual procedures.
★Section 22	If this article of association is not perfected, it shall be amended by the next convention.
★Section 23	This Charter (Constitution and By-laws) shall come into effect immediately after the adoption of the current (7th) Convention.





- ✧ The First World Yee Convention was held in Hong Kong on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2000 and was implemented [Constitution and By-laws](#) .
- ✧ The Second World Yee Convention was held in Hong Kong on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2004 and amended the provisions of **Article III** sections 12 and 14 of the [Constitution and By-Laws](#) .
- ✧ The Third World Yee Convention was held on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2006 in Monterey Park, California, USA, and adopted the [Constitution and By-Laws](#) (new amendment of the 2000 Chapter) .
- ✧ The Fourth World Yee Convention was held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Singapore and Indonesia were welcomed and accepted as new members by amending the provisions of **Article III** sections 9 and 12 of the [Constitution and By-Laws](#) .
- ✧ The Fifth World Yee Convention was held in Vancouver, BC, Canada, on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and welcomed and accepted Macao as a new member by amending the provisions of **Article III** sections 9, 12 and **ARTICLE V** section 22 of the [Constitution and By-Laws](#) .
- ✧ The Sixth World Yee Convention was held on November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in the Fisherman's Wharf Chamber of the Macao Special Administrative Region of China, and by amending the provisions of **Article III** section 12 of this [Constitution and By-Laws](#), Taiwan and Malaysia are welcomed and accepted as new members .
- ✧ The Seventh World Yee Convention was held in San Francisco, United States of America, on August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and amended the provisions of **ARTICLE I** section 3, **Article III** sections 7 and 12 and **ARTICLE V** section 18 of the Constitution and By-Laws .

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