Constitution of the California Pharmacists

Amended and Restated

ARTICLE I. NAME AND SEAL
This organization shall be called the “CALIFORNIA PHARMACISTS ASSOCIATION” (ASSOCIATION). This ASSOCIATION shall have an official seal.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE
SECTION 1. The CALIFORNIA PHARMACISTS ASSOCIATION shall be a professional society of pharmacists serving the best interest of the public and pharmacists in the state of California.

SECTION 2. The objectives of the ASSOCIATION shall be: (The list does not reflect an order of importance.)

1. To improve and promote public health.
2. To foster and encourage inter-professional relations.
3. To improve the science and art of Pharmacy for the welfare of the public.
4. To support a system of licensure and regulation of pharmacists, to ensure the availability of competent personnel to discharge the accepted functions of the practice of Pharmacy.
5. To gain enactment of legislation favorable to the advancement of the public health and the profession of Pharmacy and to protect the public health by opposing objectionable healthcare legislation.
6. To assist in providing a system of education and professional training in the science and art of Pharmacy in order to expand the future of Pharmacy practice.
7. To assist interested and qualified personnel in selecting Pharmacy as a career and to provide mentoring for Student Pharmacists.
8. To uphold the Code of Ethics to assure to the public the highest level of Pharmacist care.
9. To foster a climate within government and business that promotes the well-being of the profession and the membership.

ARTICLE III. CODE OF ETHICS
The CALIFORNIA PHARMACISTS ASSOCIATION shall adopt a Code of Ethics, the purpose of which is to elevate the professional standards and serve as a guide for the professional conduct of the Membership. This Code shall be adhered to by each Member as a condition of Membership in the ASSOCIATION and shall be reaffirmed annually by the CPhA House of Delegates.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP
The ASSOCIATION shall consist of Active, Honorary, Student Pharmacist, Pharmacy Technician, Student Pharmacy Technician, and Sustaining Members, as defined by the Bylaws. It shall meet at least once every year at the call of the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HOUSE OF DELEGATES
A. Officers. The Officers of the ASSOCIATION shall be President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Treasurer, Speaker and Speaker-Elect of the House of Delegates and the Chief Executive Officer/Secretary. The elective Officers shall be elected as provided in the Bylaws and shall hold office until the installation of their successors. All except President, Immediate Past President, Speaker and Chief Executive Officer shall be elective Officers.
B. Board of Trustees. With the exception of the Student Pharmacist Trustee, the Board of Trustees shall be composed of Active Members, hereinafter called TRUSTEES: six (6) At-Large Trustees, the Officers of the ASSOCIATION and one (1) Student Pharmacist Trustee. Trustees shall be elected as provided in the Bylaws and shall hold office until the installation of their successors.

C. House of Delegates. There shall be a House of Delegates as specified in the Bylaws to interpret the objectives of the ASSOCIATION, as stated in the Constitution and to serve as the professional policy-making body of the ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE VI. BYLAWS
The Constitution, together with such Bylaws as are not in conflict and as may be duly adopted by the ASSOCIATION, shall govern and regulate the conduct of the business and affairs of the ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS
Every proposed amendment of these Constitution and Bylaws shall be reviewed by legal counsel and approved by the Board of Trustees, or, be in the form of a petition which shall bear the signatures of at least ten (10) percent of the Active Members of the ASSOCIATION. Every proposed amendment qualifying under the above stipulations shall then be submitted to all Members entitled to vote in accordance with the balloting procedures described within the Bylaws. A proposed amendment shall become effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Members voting.