

MARIN COUNTY CHAPTER BYLAWS

OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this chapter of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists shall be Marin County Chapter of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists.

ARTICLE II - AREA SERVED

The geographic area served by this chapter is Marin County.

ARTICLE III - OFFICE

The board of directors of this chapter may select a principal office for the transaction of chapter business within the geographic area served by the chapter, or may from time to time designate different places within the geographic area served by the chapter where chapter business may be conducted.

ARTICLE IV - OBJECTIVE AND PURPOSES

The objective and purposes of this chapter shall be to advance marriage and family therapy as an art, a science and a mental health profession, and to assist CAMFT in furthering its objective on a local level. The chapter may pursue such other objectives and purposes that are in the best interests of CAMFT, its members and the members of this chapter that are not in conflict with CAMFT's Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws or Ethical Standards for Marriage and Family Therapists.

ARTICLE V - MEMBERSHIP

A. QUALIFICATIONS AND CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP

Only CAMFT members in good standing shall be eligible for membership in this chapter. Loss of membership in CAMFT shall result in loss of membership in this chapter. Categories of membership shall include clinical (licensed LMFTs), prelicensed (defined as students, trainees and interns who are on the marriage and family therapist licensure track), associate (defined as licensed LCSWs, LPCCs, LEPs, PPSCs, psychiatrists, psychologists and RNs, plus graduate students and interns in those fields), emeritus (retired LMFTs), lifetime (licensed members who pay a lump sum as determined by the Board of Directors) and honorary (to be determined by the Board of Directors).

1. Full voting members include licensed marriage and family therapists and lifetime licensed members who may vote in all elections except for Prelicensed Director at Large.
2. Partial voting members include:
 - a. Registered marriage and family interns, who are eligible to vote for all board positions except for Director at Large for Community Service.
 - b. Students (including trainees), who are enrolled in a marriage and family program, may vote only for the Prelicensed Director at Large.

3. Non-voting members include:

- a. Associate members (licensed LCSWs, LPCCs, LEPs, PPSCs, Psychiatrists, psychologists, RNs, plus graduate students and interns in those fields)
- b. Emeritus (retired) LMFTs

B. NON-TRANSFERABILITY OF MEMBERSHIP

No chapter member may transfer his/her membership or any right arising therefrom. All rights, as a member of this chapter shall cease upon the member's death.

C. MEMBERSHIP PROCEDURES

1. Admission to Membership: Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, membership in any category shall be upon a majority vote of the board of directors. All chapter members shall pay dues in accordance with the dues schedule of the chapter and CAMFT and shall abide by the bylaws of the chapter and the bylaws and ethical standards of CAMFT.
2. Termination of Membership: Membership in the chapter shall terminate upon the occurrence of any of the following: resignation, non-payment of dues, expulsion, suspension or loss of eligibility.
 - a. Resignation: A member may resign from membership at any time by submitting in writing to the chapter, via postal or electronic means, his or her resignation. The effective date of the resignation shall be when the chapter receives the notification of resignation or at such later time as is indicated.
 - b. Nonpayment of Dues: Anyone whose dues are in default to the chapter shall be dropped from membership.
 - c. Expulsion or Suspension: Anyone who has been determined to have violated the ethical standards of CAMFT and who has been expelled or suspended from membership in CAMFT, shall also be expelled or suspended from membership in this chapter. Any member to be expelled or suspended shall be entitled to at least fifteen-(15) day's prior notice of the expulsion or suspension and the reasons therefore. Notice may be given by any method reasonably calculated to provide actual notice. Any notice provided by mail shall be given by first-class or registered mail sent to the last address of the member as shown on the chapter's records.
 - d. Loss of Eligibility: Any member, regardless of category or classification, who is no longer eligible for such membership due to a loss in the qualifications entitling such person to hold such membership, including a student member who has been licensed for ninety days and has not transferred his/her membership to clinical membership, may be dropped from membership, provided a notice is sent by postal or electronic means to such member at his/her address of record with the chapter at least thirty (30) days prior to termination of membership.
3. Reinstatement of Membership
 - a. After Resignation or Termination for Non Payment of Dues: Anyone who has resigned his/her membership from the chapter or has terminated his/her membership because of non-payment of dues may be reinstated to that member's

former category of membership provided that such person meets the criteria for that category of membership, is currently a member of CAMFT, has submitted a new application for membership to the chapter, accompanied by payment of appropriate dues, application or other fees, and provided that such person received a majority vote of the board of directors.

- b. After Expulsion or Suspension: Anyone who has been expelled or suspended from membership in the chapter for violation of the ethical standards of CAMFT may be reinstated when membership within CAMFT is reinstated.

D. CERTIFICATES OF MEMBERSHIP

This chapter may provide certificates of membership, signed by the president, to each applicant accepted into membership of the chapter upon receipt of the required dues or assessments to become a chapter member.

ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

A. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

An annual meeting of members shall be held in December unless the chapter board of directors fixes another date and notifies members as provided in Section F of this Article.

B. FREQUENCY OF GENERAL MEETINGS

The president in consultation with the chapter board of directors shall regularly schedule general membership meetings. Special meetings may be called by the president in consultation with the chapter board of directors or shall be called upon the request of five percent or more of the voting members.

C. PLACE OF MEETINGS

Meetings shall be held at a location within the area served by the chapter.

D. QUORUM

A quorum for any meeting of the members of the chapter during which business is conducted shall be fifteen (15) percent of the voting membership. If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of the majority of the voting power represented at the meeting entitled to vote, and voting on any matter shall be the act of the members.

E. RECESSED OR ADJOURNED MEETING

When a meeting of members is recessed or adjourned to another time or place, the association may transact any business, which might have been transacted at the original meeting.

F. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

1. Notice of regularly scheduled general meetings shall be made in writing and sent by postal or electronic means to members not less than ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

2. Written notice of any annual or special meeting of members, which occurs at a time other than a regularly scheduled general meeting, shall be sent by postal or electronic means to each member, not less than ten (10) nor more than ninety (90) days before the date of the meeting. When an annual or a special meeting is recessed or adjourned for more than fourteen (14) days, a notice of the recessed or adjourned meeting shall be given as if it were the original meeting.
3. The notice of meeting shall specify the place, date, and hour of the meeting and (1) in the case of a special meeting, the general nature of the business to be transacted, anno other business may be transacted, or (2) in the case of the annual meeting or general meeting, those matters which the board of directors, at the time the notice is given, intends to present for action by the members.
4. Notice of any meeting of members shall be given either personally or by postal or electronic means, addressed to a member at the address of such member appearing on the books of the chapter and/or website or given by the member to the chapter for purpose of notice. If no address appears on the chapter's books and/or website, and no other has been given, notice shall be given by means that may include but not be limited to email or Marin CAMFT's website.

ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

A. POWERS

The activities and affairs of this chapter shall be conducted under the direction of a board of directors, all of whom shall be members of the chapter. Among other powers of the board of directors, the board of directors has the power to select and remove all agents, employees and/or contractors of the chapter, fix compensation and secure faithful performance of duties prescribed.

B. COMPOSITION OF BOARD

The board of directors shall consist of the elected officers including President, President-elect, Past-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and up to six (6) directors at large. Up to two (2) Directors at large may be elected from and by the prelicensed membership of the chapter (including MFT Interns, students and trainees on the marriage and family licensure track). The board of directors shall not contain, at any time, more than two (2) persons who are licensed as marriage and family therapists and who also hold any other license, which permits the practice of health care, whether mental or physical.

C. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. **President:** The president shall, subject to the control of the board of directors, generally supervise, direct and control the business of the chapter. He/she shall preside over all meetings of the chapter and at all meetings of the board of directors. He/she shall recommend to the board of directors for appointment standing committee chairpersons. He/she shall appoint standing committee members except as otherwise provided in these bylaws. The president shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, but shall have no right to vote when serving in an ex-officio capacity. He/she may have such other duties and powers as may be prescribed by the board of directors or these bylaws.

2. President-Elect: The president-elect shall succeed to the presidency. He/she shall, in the absence of the president or in the president's inability to serve, perform the duties of the president. He/she shall also perform those duties assigned to him/her by the president and/or the board of directors.
3. Past President: The president, upon completion of his/her term, will serve for one year as Past President of the chapter. The past-president will at times serve as a consultant to the board and may be appointed to serve as a chairperson of a standing committee.
4. Secretary: The secretary shall keep, or cause to be kept, at such location as the board of directors may direct, a book of minutes of the proceedings of its members, board and committees of the board, with the time and place of holding, whether general or special, and, if special, how authorized, the notice given, the names of those present at such meetings, the numbers of members present or represented at such meetings, and the proceedings of such meetings.

The secretary shall keep, or cause to be kept, at such location as the board of directors may direct, a record of members, showing the names of all members, their addresses, and the class of membership held by each. The secretary shall inform CAMFT, within thirty- (30) days of election or appointment, of the names and addresses of all chapter officers.

The secretary shall give or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the members and of the board of directors required by the bylaws to be given. The secretary shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors or the bylaws.

In the events of the secretary's absence, he/she may delegate duties to any member of the board.

5. Treasurer: the treasurer shall keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and correct books and records of accounts of the properties and business transactions of the chapter, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains, losses, capital, retained earnings, and any other matters customarily included in financial statements. The books of account shall be open to inspection by any board member at all reasonable times.

The treasurer shall deposit, or shall cause to be deposited, all money and other valuables in the name and to the credit of the chapter with such depositories as may be designated by the board of directors; shall disburse, or cause to be disbursed, the funds of the chapter as may be ordered by the board of directors, shall render at such regular meeting of the board, or at such other times as directed by the board, an account of his/her transactions as treasurer and of the financial condition of the chapter; shall prepare or cause to be prepared a proposed annual budget to be presented to the board of directors prior to the annual membership meeting; and shall have such other powers and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors or the bylaws.

If required by the board of directors, the treasurer shall give the chapter a bond in the amount and with the surety or sureties specified by the board for faithful performance of the duties of his/her office and for restoration to the chapter of all of its books, papers, vouchers, money, and other property of every kind in his/her possession, or under his/her control upon death, resignation, retirement, or removal from office.

D. VACANCIES

In the event that a vacancy occurs on the board of directors, other than the president, the board of directors shall elect, by a majority of the directors then in office, at the next regular board of directors meeting, any eligible member of the chapter to fill the unexpired term.

E. REMOVAL OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

The board of directors, by a vote of not less than five (5) of its members, shall have the authority to recommend, for approval by the membership, removal from office for cause any one of its members after having given that member an opportunity to appear before the board of directors to answer the charges.

F. ORDER OF SUCCESSION

In the absence of the president from a meeting over which he/she should preside or in the permanent absence of the president, the order of succession shall be president-elect, secretary, and treasurer.

G. MEETINGS

1. Number of Meetings: The board of directors shall meet at least eight (8) times during each fiscal year. The board of directors shall establish dates for these board meetings. Meetings of the board of directors shall be held at any location within the area served by the chapter as designated from time to time by the board.
2. Notice of Meetings: Meetings of the board shall be held upon not less than ten- (10) days written notice sent by postal or electronic means. Notice of a meeting need not be given to any director who signed a waiver of notice or a written consent to holding the meeting or an approval of the minutes thereof, whether before or after the meeting, or who attends the meeting without protesting, prior thereto or at its commencement, the lack of notice to such director.
3. Special Meetings: Special meetings of the board of directors shall be called by the president upon the written request of any three (3) board members, which may include the president. Such specially called meetings shall be held within thirty- (30) days of the receipt of the written request, which has been sent by postal or electronic means. Special meetings of the board shall be held upon at least four (4) days notice by first-class mail or forty-eight (48) hours' notice delivered personally or by telephone or electronic means at the director's address as shown on the records of the chapter.

H. QUORUM

A majority of the number of directors authorized in these bylaws shall constitute a quorum of the board for the transaction of business. Every act or decision made by a majority of the directors present at a meeting duly held at which a quorum is present is the act of the board, except when a greater or lesser number is required by applicable law or by these bylaws. A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business notwithstanding the withdrawal of directors.

I. COMPENSATION

No compensation shall be paid to any member of the board for performing the duties for which he/she was elected. Nothing in this section shall prevent board members from receiving reimbursement for expenses as may be determined by resolution of the board of directors to be just and reasonable.

J. ELECTIONS

1. Nominations: The board of directors shall appoint, upon recommendation of the president, a nominating committee consisting of a chair, who shall be a member of the board of directors, and at least two (2) clinical members of the chapter, none of whom shall be eligible for nomination by the nominating committee. The nominating committee's function is to nominate qualified members and certify the eligibility of the candidates for election to the board of directors. The committee in selecting its nominees shall seek diversity of representation and shall take into account the geographical, ethnic and gender composition of the membership.

The nominating committee shall meet within the third calendar quarter of the year to propose a slate of candidates for the upcoming year. Names of nominees shall be announced by mail or electronic means to voting members at least forty-five (45) days prior to the annual meeting of the membership.

The committee shall inform all nominees of the duties of the offices for which they have been nominated and secure their consent to serve.

2. Eligibility: No person shall be eligible for election until he/she has been a clinical member of the chapter for at least one (1) year upon taking office, or has been a prelicensed member and a clinical member consecutively for at least one (1) year immediately prior to taking office. No student member shall be eligible for election to the board of directors until he/she has been a student member in the association for at least six (6) months upon taking office.

Limitations: Directors at Large shall serve for no more than six (6) consecutive years. This provision shall be inapplicable to a person who is placed on the ballot for the office of president-elect, president/past president.

3. Election procedures: election of the board of directors will occur at the regular meeting prior to the annual meeting, with newly elected or appointed board members to assume office on January 1 of each year.

The nominating committee shall prepare a ballot consisting of the slate of nominees. The ballot shall be mailed together with printed candidate information to all voting members of the chapter who did not give consent to receive a ballot by electronic submission or for whom there is no email address. The ballot and candidate information shall be sent via electronic submission to those members of the chapter who have given consent and who have a valid email address in the chapter, may be presented for voting at the regular meeting prior to the annual meeting or may be mailed to all voting members of the chapter at least thirty (30) but not more than ninety (90) days prior to the end of the fiscal year preceding the date for newly elected board members to assume office.

The candidate receiving the largest number of votes in each position shall be elected. In the event of a tie, the president at the annual membership meeting shall conduct a run-off election.

4. Rotation and Term of Office: A president-elect shall be elected each year, who will serve for three (3) years; the first year as president-elect, the second year as president, and the third year as past president of the chapter.

A secretary and a treasurer shall be elected on alternate years, each to serve two (2) years.

Directors-at-Large shall be elected to serve two (2) years, with the exception of the Director-at-Large for Prelicensed Members, who shall serve for one (1) year. Elections of the Directors-at-Large should be staggered to avoid a 100% turnover of Directors-at-Large in a given year. For example, if there are four Directors-at-large, it is preferable that two of the positions are filled one year and the other two the next. The one or two Directors-at-Large who may be elected for prelicensed members shall not become ineligible to complete said term because of a change in membership from prelicensed to clinical member.

There shall be no election for president except at such time as the president-elect shall decline or otherwise be unable to serve as president.

ARTICLE VIII - STANDING COMMITTEES

A. BYLAWS COMMITTEE

The bylaws committee shall consider the advisability of bylaw amendments, hear or review all proposed amendments and make recommendations to the board of directors regarding amendments to the bylaws.

B. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The nominating committee shall select qualified nominees for election to the board of directors. They shall prepare a slate and ballot of members to be elected at the meeting prior to the annual meeting and shall assist in the election procedures. The committee shall perform such other duties and tasks as described in Article VII, J.

C. FINANCE COMMITTEE

The finance committee shall evaluate the financial status of the chapter, and in conjunction with the treasurer, recommend to the board of directors changes in dues and assessments and make such other recommendations as may be necessary to provide income for the chapter to carry out its activities.

D. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership committee shall promote membership in the chapter and CAMFT and may from time to time publish a directory of chapter members. The membership committee will verify with CAMFT the eligibility of prospective members for membership in the chapter.

E. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Such other committees, subcommittees, commissions or task forces may be created and appointed by the board of directors as in its judgment may be necessary. The board of directors upon formation shall prescribe the duties and terms of any such special committees.

F. APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS AND MEMBERS

The president in consultation with the board of directors shall appoint standing committee chairpersons. The president in consultation with the chairperson shall appoint standing committee members.

G. COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES

Committees shall consist of at least three (3) members, a majority of whom shall be

H. MEETINGS AND ACTIONS OF COMMITTEES

1. Meetings: Committees shall meet at such times as determined either by resolution of the board of directors, by resolution of the committee, or by a committee chairperson with the prior approval of the president. Meetings of committees shall be held at any place designated by the board, the committee or the committee chairperson.
2. Notice: Meetings of committees shall be held upon not less than ten- (10) days written notice sent by postal or electronic means. Notice of a meeting need not be given to any committee member who signed a waiver of notice or a written consent to holding the meeting or an approval of the minutes thereof, whether before or after the meeting, or who attends the meeting without protesting, prior thereto or at its commencement, the lack of notice to such committee meeting.
3. Quorum: A majority of the committee members of each committee shall constitute a quorum of the committee for the transaction of business.
4. Minutes: Minutes shall be kept of each meeting of any committee. The board of directors may adopt rules governing committees that are not inconsistent with these bylaws.

ARTICLE IX - FINANCES

A. FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the chapter shall begin January 1 of each year and end December 31 of each year.

C. SETTING OF DUES

The annual dues of the chapter shall be determined at the annual meeting of the chapter, by mail or by electronically submitted ballot at any other time, as determined by the board of directors.

A dues increase shall be passed only following a majority vote of the board of directors and a majority vote of the members present at the annual meeting, or if the membership vote is taken by ballot, a majority of the ballots voting on the dues increase.

Notification of any change in the annual dues shall be made to all members affected as soon after the vote as is practicable and reasonable, but at least thirty- (30) days prior to the effective date of any such increase.

D. PAYMENT OF DUES, FEES AND ASSESSMENTS

Each member in good standing, except as otherwise exempt by the bylaws, must pay, within the time and on the conditions set forth in these bylaws, or where appropriate as established by the board of directors and/or the membership, such fees, dues and assessments as are fixed from time to time by the board of directors and/or the membership.

Dues for all members are payable on the first day of the fiscal year. Any member whose dues are not paid within thirty- (30) days of the first day of the fiscal year is in default. Any member in default on the thirty-first (31) day shall be dropped from membership in the chapter. A Reinstatement Fee of \$10 will be applied with submittal of new membership application.

E. BUDGET

The treasurer prior to the annual membership meeting shall present the proposed budget for each year to the board of directors. The proposed budget shall be approved by a majority vote of the board of directors. The board of directors is empowered to make any changes in the budget necessitated by circumstances and consistent with the priorities of the chapter.

F. DEPOSITORY

The board of directors shall select and designate such bank or trust company as they deem advisable as official depository of the funds of the chapter and prescribe the manner in which such funds shall be withdrawn.

ARTICLE X - RECORDS AND REPORTS, INSPECTION

A. MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION OF BYLAWS

The chapter shall keep in such location as the board shall direct in Marin County the bylaws of the chapter as amended to date, and shall post the bylaws on the chapter's website. The chapter shall provide CAMFT with a copy of the chapter bylaws and any amendment(s) thereafter made.

B. MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION OF OTHER RECORDS

The accounting books, records and minutes of proceedings of the members of the board of directors and any committee(s) of the board of directors shall be maintained in such location as the board shall direct or with the treasurer and/or secretary of the chapter.

The minutes and the accounting books and records shall be open to inspection on the written demand of any member, at any reasonable time for a purpose reasonably related to the member's interests as a member. The inspection may be made in person or by an agent or attorney, and shall include the right to copy and make extracts.

C. INSPECTION BY DIRECTORS

Every director shall have the right at any reasonable time to inspect all books, records and documents of every kind and the physical properties of the chapter. This inspection by a director may be made in person or by an agent or attorney; and the right of inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts of documents.

D. ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERS

The chapter shall provide to the board of directors, and shall notify each member yearly of the member's right to receive an annual report. An annual report shall be prepared not later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the close of the chapter's fiscal year. Such report shall contain in appropriate detail the following:

1. A balance sheet as of the end of the fiscal year, an income and expense statement and statement of change in financial position for such fiscal year.
2. The names and addresses of current members are located on the chapter's website.
3. Any information required by Section 8322 or its successor section(s), of the California Non-profit Corporation Law, dealing with insider transactions.

Such report shall be accompanied by any report thereon of independent accountants, or, if there is not such report, the certificate of an authorized officer of the chapter that such statements were prepared without audit from the books and records of the chapter.

Upon written request of a member, the board shall promptly cause the most recent annual report to be sent to the requesting member.

ARTICLE XI - LIABILITY OF MEMBERS

No member, regardless of the class or category of membership held, and whether or not a voting member, shall be personally or otherwise liable for any of the debts, liabilities, and/or obligations of the chapter.

The California Non-profit Corporation Laws regarding unauthorized distributions shall construe nothing in this article to relieve any person of any liability.

ARTICLE XII - PROPERTY

The chapter, through its board of directors shall hold the title to all property, funds and assets of the chapter, and they shall have complete control over the acquisition, administration, and disposition of any property, funds or assets. The chapter may accept gifts, legacies, devises, donations, and/or contributions in any amount and in any form upon such terms as may be decided by the board of directors.

ARTICLE XIII - USE OF NAME

No members shall speak in the name of the chapter without authorization from the president or board of directors.

ARTICLE XIV - STAFF

The chapter board of directors may employ staff whose terms and conditions of employment shall be specified by the board. Such staff may manage and direct the activities of the chapter as prescribed by the board of directors and shall be responsible to the board.

ARTICLE XV - AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

A. INITIATION OF AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the bylaws may be initiated in either of two ways:

1. The board of directors, either alone or upon recommendation of the bylaws committee, may initiate a bylaw amendment, or
2. Ten (10) members of the chapter may, by a written petition addressed to the secretary of the chapter, initiate an amendment.

B. ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS

Proposed amendments, which have received a two-thirds (2/3), vote of the board of directors present shall be recommended to the membership: for ratification by mail ballot. A written copy of the proposed amendment or amendments shall be sent to all voting members of the chapter at least three (3) weeks prior to the time of voting. There shall be specified on the ballot a deadline for return of the mailed ballot. A three-quarters (3/4) majority of ballots returned shall be required for ratification of the proposed amendment.

ARTICLE XVI - DIVISION OF THE CHAPTER

Division of the chapter into two chapters may be initiated by a recommendation passed by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the board of directors. Upon passage by the Board, the recommendation for division shall be recommended to the membership for ratification by mail ballot. A written copy of the proposal shall be sent to all voting members of the chapter at least three (3) weeks prior to the time of voting. There shall be specified on the ballot a deadline for return of the mailed ballot. A two-thirds (2/3) majority of ballots returned shall be required for ratification of the proposed division. The proposed division shall be submitted to CAMFT board of directors for their approval and for chartering of the two chapters created by the division.

ARTICLE XVII - MERGER OF THE CHAPTER

Merger of the chapter with another chapter may be initiated by a recommendation passed by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the board of directors of each chapter. Upon passage by the board of each chapter, the merger shall be recommended to the membership of each chapter for ratification by mail ballot. A written copy of the recommendation shall be sent to all voting members of each chapter at least three (3) weeks prior to the time of voting. There shall be

specified on the ballot a deadline for return of the mailed ballot. A two-thirds (2/3) majority of ballots returned shall be required for ratification of the proposed merger. The proposed merger shall be submitted to the CAMFT board of directors for their approval and chartering.

ARTICLE XVIII - DISSOLUTION

Dissolution of the chapter, whether voluntary or involuntary, shall be conducted in accordance with applicable law.

In the event of the dissolution of the chapter, all assets and funds of the chapter shall, after debts and/or obligations are paid, be distributed to a charitable organization or foundation as determined by the board of directors.

ARTICLE XIX - RULES OF ORDER: PARLIAMENTARIAN

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, may govern all meetings of the chapter in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws unless modified by the majority of the voting members present.

A parliamentarian shall be appointed by the president from among the members of the board of directors. The parliamentarian shall have the responsibility to ensure compliance with the bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, unless modified, at all meetings of the board of directors and all official meetings of the chapter.

CERTIFICATION OF SECRETARY

I, the undersigned, certify that I am presently elected and acting secretary of the Marin Chapter of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, and the above bylaws are as adopted at a meeting of the board of directors held 4/13/90 and to be voted on by the membership in July of 1990. Christine Lines, Secretary

The foregoing is an amended version of the Bylaws of the Marin County Chapter of CAMFT as approved by the Marin CAMFT membership in the spring of 2006. Pam Sweeney, Secretary.

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