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ARTICLES OF CONSTITUTION

(As amended February 2005 -- subject to full membership vote at annual meeting)

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this society shall be the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology.

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The purpose of the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology shall be as follows:

- (1) To promote communication among archaeologists in the State of Hawaii;
- (2) To aid and enhance the scholarly advancement of archaeology in Hawaii by means of regular meetings, publications, or other means of disseminating new methods and results;
- (3) To insure that Hawaii's unique and valuable cultural resources shall be conserved for future generations;
- (4) To aid in educating the general public as to the aims, methods, and results of Hawaiian archaeology;
- (5) To sponsor and support legislation that furthers the aims of archaeology and of historic and cultural preservation in Hawaii; and
- (6) To undertake such other activities that may further the purposes stated above, if so desired by the membership.
- (7) To encourage the profession to respect, protect, and promote the rights and welfare of all those affected by their work.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

1. There shall be four categories of membership: Lifetime (voting), Regular (voting), Family/Institutional (non-voting), and Student (non-voting) Membership.

2. Membership is open to all those individuals and institutions having an active interest in Hawaiian archaeology and who subscribe to the purposes of this body, and the SAA Principles of Archaeological Ethics.

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3. Only Lifetime and Regular Members shall be voting members.

ARTICLE IV CODE OF BY-LAWS

1. The Code of By-Laws of this body shall be those adopted by the voting membership.

2. The Code of By-Laws can be changed by a vote of the Lifetime and Regular Membership.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS

1. The Officers of the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology shall be: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Communications Secretary/Webmaster, and such other officers as may be provided for in the Code of By-Laws.

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2. The qualifications for holding office shall be Lifetime or Regular Membership in good standing.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. The Board of Directors shall consist of nine (9) members, including the five (5) officers of the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology and four (4) chairpersons of the Standing Committees elected by the membership.

2. Qualifications for Directors will be Lifetime or Regular Membership in good standing.

ARTICLE VII DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The duties of the Officers and the Board of Directors of the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology shall be described and circumscribed in the Code of By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to this constitution can be proposed by Lifetime and Regular Members.
2. The Board of Directors has authority to make and effect amendments on a temporary basis, (until the next annual business meeting) if the amendments are deemed necessary for the proper conduct of Society business.
3. All amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted for approval by a vote of the Lifetime and Regular Membership at the next annual business meeting.

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ARTICLE IX SOCIETY COMMUNICATIONS

The primary mode of communication with Society members will be by electronic means, through the Society's website, and through e-mail. Society members will have the option of being subscribed to the Society's LISTSERV to share information and ideas.