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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
to the
Constitution and Bylaws of
The Order of United Commercial Travelers of America

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To the officers and members of the international council and the regional and local councils of The Order of United Commercial Travelers of America:

Greetings,

As required by Article IX, Section 1, of the UCT constitution and bylaw 20 of the bylaws, I present the proposed amendments to the constitution and bylaws of the Order, which were received prior to Dec. 24, 2022, the last day prior to which amendments could be submitted under the provisions of the constitution and presented by members in good standing in the Order.

The new material in the proposed amendments appears in RED BOLD. The proposed amendments will be submitted to the international council when it convenes for the annual session on June 24, 2023.

As always, these amendments are being sent to you in accordance with the UCT constitution so that it might be discussed among your council members in advance of the 2023 UCT convention. A copy of the most recent UCT constitution can be found on the UCT Member Hub at www.uct.org.

Fraternally,
Richard Redman
UCT Secretary-Treasurer

Proposed Amendments to the UCT Constitution 2023

Proposed Amendment No. 1

Submitted by: UCT Board of Governors, Ken Milliser, President

Explanation: The change is for continuity of the term “annual session” within the constitution.

Current

Article IV, Section 17, Page 28, Lines 19-24.

The International Council, upon recommendation of the board of governors in its annual report, shall fix the compensation of all International Council officers. Past international presidents, representatives and standing committees in attendance at UCT conventions shall be paid such travel allowance as determined by the board of governors.”

Proposed

Amend Article IV, Section 17, Page 28, Lines 19-24, to read:

The International Council, upon recommendation of the board of governors in its annual report, shall fix the compensation of all International Council officers. Past international presidents, representatives and standing committees in attendance at UCT **annual sessions** shall be paid such travel allowance as determined by the board of governors.

Proposed Amendment No. 2

Submitted by: UCT Board of Governors, Ken Milliser, President

Explanation: Ohio recently passed legislation designed to strengthen the fraternal system and to protect policyholders in the event that a society becomes financially impaired. With the support of the American Fraternal Alliance, similar laws have been passed in other states that are home to larger numbers of fraternal benefit societies. One requirement of the new law is that all Ohio fraternal benefit societies make any necessary amendments to their governing documents at their next convention in order to comply with the changes made to Ohio law.

Article XII COMPLIANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE

Article XII, Section 1. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, in the event the Order fails to meet the minimum capital or surplus requirements set forth in the Ohio Revised Code governing fraternal benefit societies, the Board of Governors shall take any and all actions necessary, advisable and in the best interest of the Order to comply with [Section 3921.102 of the Ohio Revised Code](#), as amended.