

# USS BOXER VETERANS ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

(A non-profit corporation, incorporated in the State of Alabama)

## **ARTICLE I: Name.**

The name of this Association shall be:

USS BOXER VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC.

## **ARTICLE II: Purpose.**

The purpose of the Association shall be to celebrate the memory of ships bearing the name USS BOXER, including CV/ CVA/ CVS 21/ LPH 4/ LHD 4, and the personnel who served aboard these ships in perpetuity and to exchange mementos and memories of the tours of duty. Such purpose is to include:

- (1) Planning and arranging annual reunion meetings.
- (2) Locating former shipmates and urging their participation.
- (3) Contributing mementos, pictures, plaques, artifacts, insignias, papers, letters, or other memorabilia relating in any way to the activities of or service aboard the aforementioned ships; together with any available funds for their procurement, shipping, display or maintenance as set forth in ARTICLE XI.
- (4) Establishing, administering, and accepting voluntary contributions to accomplish the purpose of any approved and adopted memorial program of the association.
- (5) In the event of dissolution of the Association, all Association monies will be turned over to museums and memorials of the Association, subject to the discretion of the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE III: Membership.**

The membership is open to all personnel having served aboard the aforementioned ships bearing the name USS BOXER including ship's company, air group, air wing, squadron, Marine and staff and to include their spouses. In addition, membership shall be open to other military and civilian personnel who served aboard the aforementioned ships while underway and in an official capacity.

- (1) Honorary membership shall be conferred on the widow of any paid deceased member. The President, on recommendation of other members and after approval of the Executive Board, may appoint additional honorary members, in exceptional cases, where such honor is warranted. Honorary members shall pay no dues. An honorary member shall have all rights of a member, except a vote in the business of the Association.
- (2) Associate membership shall be open to relatives and friends of members who wish to participate in the Association activities. An associate member shall pay annual dues and have all the rights of a member, except a vote in the business of the Association.

