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**BYLAWS OF THE  
FLORIDA SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS  
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE**

15 The following restated Articles of Organization, duly adopted on Nov. 5, 2020 pursuant to the  
16 authority and provisions of Article VIII of the existing Articles of Organization of the  
17 Anesthesiology PAC, supersede and take the place of said existing Articles of Organization and  
18 amendments thereto:  
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Article I  
NAME AND DEFINITION

24 There is hereby established by the Florida Society of Anesthesiologists (FSA), four political  
25 associations known as the: 1) Florida Society of Anesthesiologists Political Action Committee,  
26 hereinafter referred to as the Committee or FSAPAC; 2) FSA Leadership Council 1; 3) FSA  
27 Leadership Council 2; and 4) FSA Leadership Council 3.  
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Article II  
PRINCIPAL OFFICE

33 The principal place of business of this Committee is 1103 Hays Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.  
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Article III  
ORGANIZATION

36 The FSAPAC is a voluntary, nonprofit, unincorporated, and nonpartisan, political association  
37 established by the FSA. The FSAPAC is an independent autonomous organization, and it is not a  
38 branch or subsidiary of any national, state, local political party or other political organization, or  
39 individual candidates; except that FSA shall, as permitted by state and federal law, pay or defray  
40 the costs and expenses incurred in the establishment and administration of, and in the  
solicitation of contributions to, the FSAPAC.

The Committee is in existence for individuals with a relationship to:

1. The FSA
2. The professional staff of the FSA and/or
3. FSA sponsored organizations
4. Groups or individuals as determined by a vote of the Board of Directors

1 Article IV  
2 MISSION

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4 The mission of the FSAPAC is to promote physician-led, patient-centered anesthesia care and to  
5 advocate for the medical specialty of anesthesiology. The Committee engages in all lawful  
6 advocacy activities permissible by Florida statutes and provides campaign contributions to  
7 individual candidates seeking elected office, political committees established under Chapter 106,  
8 Florida Statutes, or political parties as determined by the Board of Directors.  
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10 The objectives of this Committee are:

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- 12 1. To promote and strive for the improvement of government by encouraging and  
13 stimulating its members to take an active and effective part in governmental affairs.
  - 14 2. To encourage its members to understand the nature and actions of their government,  
15 important political issues, and the records of officeholders and candidates for elective  
16 office at all levels of government.
  - 17 3. To assist its members in organizing themselves for more effective political action and  
18 in carrying out their civic responsibilities.
  - 19 4. To support the political and legislative objectives of organized medicine and the  
20 integrity of medical practice and health care in the state of Florida
  - 21 5. To work towards the attainment of the objectives stated above within an appropriate  
22 legal framework
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24 Article V  
25 CONTRIBUTIONS and DISBURSEMENTS

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28 Section 1. CONTRIBUTIONS

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30 Upon approval by the Directors, the Committee will accept contributions from individuals, from  
31 committees established under Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, corporations, sole proprietorships,  
32 joint ventures, partnerships, and all other forms of doing business. In the event of a dissolution  
33 of the committee, any remaining money or property will be distributed to or for the benefit of  
34 any authorized charity.  
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1 Section 2. CATEGORIES OF DONATIONS

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3 For purpose of recognition the financial year of the FSA PAC is defined from June 1 each year to  
4 May 31 of the following year.

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6 Individuals

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Educational Donors	Up to \$20
Regular Donor	Up to \$249,00
Medallion Donor	\$250.00 - \$499.00
Circle of Distinction Donor	\$500.00 - \$999.00
Chairman’s Council Donor:	>\$1,000

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9 Other Entities

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Bronze Level	U to \$4999
Silver Level	\$5,000 to \$9,999
Gold Level	\$10,000 to \$14,999
Platinum Level	>\$15,000

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12 The Board of Directors may refuse to accept or return any contribution from any person or entity  
13 for any reason when the acceptance of such contribution would not be in the best interest of the  
14 committee or the purposes for which it was established.

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17 Section 3. DISBURSEMENTS

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19 The Board of Directors, in their sole discretion, will select and distribute all, or any part of the  
20 income and contributions to the committee, to or for the benefit of candidates for state, political,  
21 or public office. The Board of Directors, in their sole discretion, may contribute sums to such  
22 candidates or to any state or local committee of any such candidate's political party. The voting  
23 members of the Board of Directors will determine the level and destination of any contribution  
24 by majority vote.

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Article VI  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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30 Section 1. DIRECTORS

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32 The Board of Directors (PAC Board) of the FSAPAC will consist of the President of the FSA, the  
33 Immediate Past President of the FSA, the Chairperson of the Committee of Legislative Affairs of  
34 the FSA, one FSA member who is appointed by the FSA President for the duration of one year,  
35 and one FSA member who will be elected by the FSA Board of Directors during the Business

1 Meeting of the FSA’s Annual Meeting to serve for one year starting with the conclusion of the  
2 Annual Meeting. All voting PAC Board members shall have been members of the Board of  
3 Directors of the FSA for at least two years and made substantial contributions to the PAC Board.  
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5 The lobbyist of the FSA will be a non-voting member of this Board. The Executive Director of the  
6 FSA will serve as Deputy Treasurer and will be a non-voting member of this PAC Board.  
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9 Section 2. MANAGEMENT

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11 The PAC Board will elect from among themselves the following officers: A Chairperson, Vice  
12 Chairperson, Treasurer, and Secretary. No part of the income or contributions to the committee  
13 will benefit any member of the PAC Board.  
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15 All officers will serve without compensation except for reimbursement for travel as approved by  
16 the FSA Executive Board of Directors and according to the FSAPAC policies and procedures.  
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19 Section 3. RESIGNATION AND TERMINATION

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21 Any PAC Board member may resign at any time by written notice to the PAC Board. Termination  
22 without cause at any time may be executed by a two thirds majority of the PAC Board.  
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25 Section 4. VACANCY

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27 If the FSA President’s appointee vacates the board position, the FSA President may appoint  
28 someone to serve out the term. Vacancies by ex officio positions will be filled by those who fill  
29 the primary positions (FSA President and Legislative Chair). A vacancy by at-large position will be  
30 filled at the next FSA Board Meeting via election.  
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32 If a vacancy is a PAC officer who is not the Chair, the Chair can re-assign PAC officers at his/her  
33 discretion. If the vacancy is the PAC Chair, the PAC Board should elect from amongst themselves  
34 a new Chair. PAC Board meetings may be held in person or virtually through electronically means  
35 as determined by the Chairperson at least once every quarter.  
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38 Section 5. CHAIRPERSON

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40 The Chairperson will be the chief executive officer of the Committee and will preside at all  
41 meetings of the PAC Board. He or she will be an ex-officio member of all committees created by  
42 the PAC Board. The Chairperson will have such duties as are assigned to him by the Board  
43 including execution of contracts, bank accounts and signing checks thereon, employing personnel  
44 as provided in the budget, and signing all reports as are necessary for the Division of Elections.

1 The chair will present a quarterly report to the FSA Board subject to the approval of the PAC  
2 Board. The chair will appoint all committees as prescribed herein and perform such other duties  
3 to assure the proper functioning of the committee.  
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6 Section 6: TREASURER  
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8 The treasurer will be the chief financial officer of the Committee, will give a financial report at  
9 each quarterly meeting, will be a member of all subcommittees of the committee, and will keep  
10 a detailed account of:  
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- 12 1. **All contributions made to or for the Committee.** The full name, mailing address of every  
13 person or legal entity making a contribution) and the date and amount thereof. Any  
14 contributions by one person or entity during a calendar year of any amount will be filed  
15 with the appropriate Federal or state officials.  
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- 17 2. **All expenditures made by or on behalf of such Committee.** The full name and mailing  
18 address of every person to whom any expenditure is made, the date and amount thereof,  
19 and the name and address of, and office sought by, each candidate on whose behalf such  
20 expenditure is made. If the aggregate amount of such expenditures to the same person  
21 during a calendar year exceeds Five hundred Dollars (\$500.00), the Treasurer will file with  
22 the appropriate officials all receipts and expenditures on prescribed forms.  
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- 24 3. **Receipted bills,** stating the particulars, for every expenditure made by or on behalf of the  
25 committee.  
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28 Section 7: Other Officers  
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30 The duties and functions of other officers as provided for in these bylaws will be prescribed by  
31 the Board of Directors.  
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34 ARTICLE VII  
35 MEETINGS  
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37 Section 1. Annual Meeting  
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39 The annual meeting of the PAC Board will be held at such time, fashion and place as may be  
40 determined by the Board. Every attempt will be made to hold such meeting in conjunction with  
41 the FSA Annual Meeting.  
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1 Section 2. Special meetings

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3 Special meetings of the PAC Board may be called by the chair on his or her own initiative or upon  
4 the written request of any one Board member.

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7 Section 3. Quorum

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9 A minimum of three board members constitutes a quorum for the purpose of doing business,  
10 provided that notice of the meeting via mail or email was provided to all members of the PAC  
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ARTICLE VIII  
DELIBERATIONS

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17 The deliberations of the committee will be governed by parliamentary usage as contained in the  
18 most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order and as otherwise provided by these bylaws or  
19 modified by a majority of the vote of the members present.

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ARTICLE IX  
AMENDMENTS

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25 The bylaws may be amended or repealed by a 2/3 vote of the FSA Board of Directors provided  
26 that at least fourteen (14) days written notice is given to all members of the intention to alter or  
27 amend. Electronic voting is permitted.

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ARTICLE X  
LIABILITIES

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33 The Committee is a voluntary association and the individual members are not partners for any  
34 purpose. No member, officer, agent, or employee will be liable for the acts or failure to act of any  
35 other member, agent, or employee of the Committee. Nor will any member, officer, agent, or  
36 employee be liable for his acts or failure to act under these bylaws, except only for acts or  
37 omissions arising out of his willful misconduct.

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**POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE  
FLORIDA SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS  
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE**

1. Quarterly Reports

- a. The Chairman of the FSA PAC or his designee provides reports to the FSA Executive Committee in at least three monthly intervals and the FSA Board of Directors (BOD) when a BOD meeting is convened. The report shall include:
  - i. Current level of contributions
  - ii. Comparative data to prior years
  - iii. Financial Projections to end of the year
  - iv. Number of contributors with recurrent payment
  - v. Rate of contributions of the FSA membership
  - vi. Disbursement planned and executed and planned

2. Annual Recognition of Donors

- a. At the discretion of the FSA President a “Recognition Event” for selected donors should be held at the FSA Annual Meeting. Selection criteria and budget will be determined by the FSA PAC Board in close cooperation with the FSA Executive Board.

3. Fund Distribution Process

4. Reimbursement for Travel and other Expenses

- a. Approval for reimbursement requests are to be submitted to the FSA Executive Committee prior to the event if feasible. Policies of the FSA will guide approval and monetary value of reimbursement. Costs will be carried by the FSA budget.