# Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of Washington Hebrew Congregation

(Proposed additions are shown in **bold/underline**; the proposed deletion is shown in **strikethrough**)

### **ARTICLE III**

## Meetings

- Sec. 1. The Annual Meeting of the Congregation shall be held no earlier than May first nor later than June thirtieth of each year at such time as the Board of Directors designates.
- Sec. 2. A special meeting of the Congregation may be called by the President at any time. Upon resolution adopted by the Board of Directors, or upon the written request of fifty members of the Congregation stating the purpose therefor, a special meeting shall be called by the President within sixty days following the adoption of such resolution or receipt of such request. Notice of a special meeting and the purpose for which it is called shall be sent to each member of the Congregation by the Secretary not less than ten days prior to the date for which the meeting is called. This Sec. 2 of Article III shall not apply to any meetings at which the dissolution or liquidation of the Congregation is to be voted upon pursuant to Article XII of the Constitution. Any writing or other notice required by the Constitution or By-Laws may be accomplished with a mailing through the United States Post Office (or its equivalent), email communications to an official, comprehensive distribution list maintained by the Congregation, and/or any other electronic communication (such as text messages); provided that the Congregation's distribution list has valid electronic delivery information for at least one person in the household of at least 90% of the members.
- Sec. 3. One hundred members of the Congregation present, in person, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Congregation, except that two hundred members shall constitute a quorum for any meeting for which notice has been given (pursuant to Article VI, Sec. 2. of the Constitution) that the matter of the election, duration of service, or termination of service, of the Senior Rabbi is to be considered. This Sec. 3 of Article III shall not apply to any meeting at which the dissolution or liquidation of the Congregation is to be voted upon pursuant to Article XII of the Constitution. The phrases "present" or "present, in person" in the Constitution or By-Laws shall mean physically present or present by means of the Internet or other electronic communications technology in a fashion pursuant to which the members have the opportunity to read or hear the proceedings substantially concurrently with their occurrence, vote on matters submitted to the members, pose questions, and make comments.

Sec. 4. Unless waived by the members present and voting, all meetings of the members of the Congregation shall be conducted under the then most recent edition of <u>Robert's Rules of Order</u>, provided however, that the Constitution and By-Laws of the Congregation shall be controlling whenever there is a conflict between them and Robert's Rules of Order.

Sec. 5. Wherever, under this Constitution or By-Laws, voting on any issue by the membership is required, such voting shall not be permitted by proxy. <u>Any member present, in person, at the Annual Meeting or a special meeting shall be permitted to vote.</u>

#### **ARTICLE XII**

## **Dissolution**

At a meeting of the Congregation requested by at least five percent (5%) of the members of the Congregation, as to which notice of its purpose has been given at least thirty days in advance, and at which at least ten percent (10%) of the members of the Congregation are in attendance present, in person majority vote of those present and voting. Upon such dissolution or final liquidation, the assets of the Congregation shall be distributed to one or more organizations exempt under Section 501 (c) (3), or successor provision, of the Internal Revenue Code whose purpose and object include the worship of God in accordance with the faith of Judaism.