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Memorandum

Date: 20 March 2019
To: Bob Borke – National Chief Operating Officer
From: William Miller – Department of Georgia Judge Advocate
Subject: Proposed Bylaws Change, National, MCL

In accordance with Article XI, Section 1100, National Bylaws, the following proposed change and rationale therefore is submitted for consideration at the 2019 National Convention:

**ARTICLE VIII – Departments, Section 850 – Employment Identification Number [EIN]
and Incorporation, Paragraph b. - Incorporation**

Currently reads:

- b. **Incorporation.** Departments which engage in services or business in their respective state or commonwealth either for profit or non-profit, or which use the name of the MCL will be incorporated within one year from the charter date.

Change to read:

- b. **Incorporation.** Departments which engage in services or business in their respective state or commonwealth either for profit or non-profit, or which use the name of the MCL will be incorporated within one year from the charter date unless their state or commonwealth requires incorporation to be completed within a shorter time period.

Rationale:

This amendment request is to add a provision that addresses any state or commonwealth that requires non-profits to incorporate within a shorter period of time. For example, Georgia Statutes require all non-profits to incorporate before they are allowed to operate within the state.