(2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

(3) choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities of the corporation require;

(4) make contracts;

(5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;

(6) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its obligations by granting security interests in its property; and

(7) sue and be sued.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| *Revised Section* | *Source (U.S. Code)* | *Source (Statutes at Large)* |
|---|---|---|
| 30105 ..... | 36:884(2)–(9). | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, §4(2)–(9), 72 Stat. 1691. |
| | 36:896. | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, §16, 72 Stat. 1695; Nov. 11, 1977, Pub. L. 95–167, §1(f), 91 Stat. 1347. |

In this section, the text of 36:896 is omitted as executed and obsolete.

In clause (1), the words ''and alter'' and ''not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or any State in which the corporation is to operate'' are omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (2), the word ''use'' is omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (3), the word ''activities'' is substituted for ''business'' for consistency in the revised title.

In clause (4), the words ''make contracts'' are substituted for ''contract and be contracted with'' to eliminate unnecessary words.

Clause (5) is substituted for ''take by lease, gift, purchase, grant, devise, or bequest from any private corporation, association, partnership, firm, or individual and to hold any property, real, personal, or mixed, necessary or convenient for attaining the objects and carrying into effect the purposes of the corporation'' and ''transfer, convey, lease, sublease, encumber, and otherwise alienate real, personal, or mixed property'' for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words. The words ''subject, however, to applicable provisions of law of any State (A) governing the amount or kind of property which may be held by, or (B) otherwise limiting or controlling the ownership of property by, a corporation operating in such State'' are omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (6), the words ''instruments of indebtedness'' are substituted for ''bonds'' for consistency in the revised title. The words ''secure its obligations by granting security interests in its property'' are substituted for ''secure the same by mortgage, deed of trust, pledge, or otherwise'' to eliminate unnecessary words. The words ''for the purposes of the corporation'', ''therefor'', and ''subject in every case to all applicable provisions of Federal and State laws'' are omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (7), the words ''complain, and defend in any court of competent jurisdiction'' are omitted as unnecessary.

## § 30106. Exclusive right to names, seals, emblems, and badges

The corporation and its subordinate divisions have the exclusive right to use the names ''The Big Brothers of America, Big Sisters International, Incorporated'', ''Big Sisters of America'', ''Big Brothers'', ''Big Sisters'', ''Big Brothers—Big Sisters of America'', and ''Big Sisters—Big Brothers'', and to use and to allow others to use seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.

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| 30106 ..... | 36:895. | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, §15, 72 Stat. 1694; Nov. 11, 1977, Pub. L. 95–167, §1(e), 91 Stat. 1347. |

The word ''sole'' is omitted as included in ''exclusive''. The words ''or refuse'' are omitted as unnecessary. The words ''the corporation adopts'' are substituted for ''as have heretofore been used by the predecessor New York corporation, Big Brothers of America, Incorporated, described in section 896(a) of this title, and by the District of Columbia corporation, Big Sisters International, Incorporated, described in section 896(b) of this title, and the right to which may be transferred to the corporation'' for consistency in the revised title.

## § 30107. Restrictions

(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or declare or pay a dividend.

(b) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as such may not contribute to, support, or assist a political party or candidate for public office.

(c) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director, officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensation to an officer in an amount approved by the board of directors.

(d) LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a director, officer, or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan or advance to a director, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.

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| *Revised Section* | *Source (U.S. Code)* | *Source (Statutes at Large)* |
|---|---|---|
| 30107(a) ..... | 36:892. | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, §§9, 10, 12, 72 Stat. 1693, 1694. |
| 30107(b) ..... | 36:890. | |
| 30107(c) ..... | 36:889(a). | |
| 30107(d) ..... | 36:889(b). | |

In subsection (a), the words ''any shares of'' are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (c), the words ''inure to the benefit of'' are substituted for ''inure to'' for consistency in the revised title.

In subsection (d), the words ''or advance'' are added in 2 places for consistency in the subsection.

## § 30108. Principal office

The principal office of the corporation shall be in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities of the corporation are not confined to

the place where the principal office is located but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions of the United States.

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| *Revised Section* | *Source (U.S. Code)* | *Source (Statutes at Large)* |
|---|---|---|
| 30108 ..... | 36:885(a). | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, § 5(a), 72 Stat. 1692; Nov. 11, 1977, Pub. L. 95–167, § 1(c), 91 Stat. 1347. |

The word ''various'' is omitted as unnecessary.

### § 30109. Records and inspection

(a) RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—

(1) correct and complete records of account;

(2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and

(3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote.

(b) INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reasonable time.

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| *Revised Section* | *Source (U.S. Code)* | *Source (Statutes at Large)* |
|---|---|---|
| 30109 ..... | 36:893. | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, § 13, 72 Stat. 1694. |

The word ''records'' is substituted for ''books and records'' for consistency in the revised title and with other titles of the United States Code.

### § 30110. Service of process

The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service on the corporation.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| *Revised Section* | *Source (U.S. Code)* | *Source (Statutes at Large)* |
|---|---|---|
| 30110 ..... | 36:885(b). | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, § 5(b), 72 Stat. 1692. |

The words ''at all times'' are omitted as unnecessary.

### § 30111. Liability for acts of officers and agents

The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within the scope of their authority.

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| *Revised Section* | *Source (U.S. Code)* | *Source (Statutes at Large)* |
|---|---|---|
| 30111 ..... | 36:891. | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, § 11, 72 Stat. 1694. |

### § 30112. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation

On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

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| *Revised Section* | *Source (U.S. Code)* | *Source (Statutes at Large)* |
|---|---|---|
| 30112 ..... | 36:897. | Sept. 2, 1958, Pub. L. 85–870, § 17, 72 Stat. 1695. |

The word ''satisfaction'' is omitted as included in ''discharge'', and the word ''obligations'' is omitted as included in ''liabilities''. The words ''outstanding'' and ''all Federal and State laws applicable thereto'' are omitted as unnecessary.

## CHAPTER 303—BLINDED VETERANS ASSOCIATION

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### § 30301. Organization

(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Blinded Veterans Association (in this chapter, the ''corporation'') is a federally chartered corporation.

(b) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corporation has perpetual existence.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1317.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| *Revised Section* | *Source (U.S. Code)* | *Source (Statutes at Large)* |
|---|---|---|
| 30301 ..... | 36:851.<br>36:852. | Aug. 27, 1958, Pub. L. 85–769, §§ 1, 2, 72 Stat. 922. |

This section is substituted for the source provision for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary and executed words.

The text of 36:852 is omitted as executed and obsolete.

### § 30302. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are—

(1) to operate as a not-for-profit corporation exclusively for charitable, educational, patriotic, and civic improvement purposes;

(2) to promote the welfare of blinded veterans so that, notwithstanding their disabilities, they may take their rightful place in the community and work with their fellow citizens toward the creation of a peaceful world;