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§ 30501. Definition

For purposes of this chapter, ''Armed Forces'' includes the United States Army, United States Navy, United States Marines, United States Air Force, United States Coast Guard, National Guard, United States Army Reserves, United States Navy Reserves, United States Marine Reserves, United States Air Force Reserves, United States Coast Guard Reserves, United States Naval Militia, merchant marines, and armed home guards who have served on active duty.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	*Source (U.S. Code)*	*Source (Statutes at Large)*
30501	36:945 (last sentence).	July 14, 1960, Pub. L. 86–653, § 5 (last sentence), 74 Stat. 516.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authorities, functions, personnel, and assets of the Coast Guard, including the authorities and functions of the Secretary of Transportation relating thereto, to the Department of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 468(b), 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§ 30502. Organization

(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc. (in this chapter, the ''corporation''), is a federally chartered corporation.

(b) PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is declared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.

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

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30502	36:941. 36:942. 36:944(1).	July 14, 1960, Pub. L. 86–653, §§ 1, 2, 4(1), 74 Stat. 515, 516.

This section is substituted for the source provisions for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate executed and unnecessary words. The last sentence of section 1 of the Act of July 14, 1960 (Public Law 86–653, 74 Stat. 515), is omitted as executed.

§ 30503. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, educational, social, and for service, and include—

(1) perpetuating the Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc., and the memory of all the men and women who have served our country as members of the Armed Forces;

(2) maintaining true allegiance to the Government of the United States;

(3) educating members of the corporation and others not to divulge military, naval, or other Government information;

(4) assisting in veterans' ceremonies;

(5) attending patriotic rallies and meetings;

(6) fostering true democracy;

(7) caring for unsupported mothers who gave their sons to the service of the Nation;

(8) aiding in bringing about recognition of the need for permanent civilian defense in each community and the need to be always alert against invasion of un-American activities;

(9) upholding the American institutions of freedom, justice, and equal rights; and

(10) defending the United States from all enemies.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	*Source (U.S. Code)*	*Source (Statutes at Large)*
30503	36:943.	July 14, 1960, Pub. L. 86–653, § 3, 74 Stat. 515.

Before clause (1), the words ''The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, educational, social, and for service, and include'' are substituted for ''The purposes of the corporation shall be'' and ''the further object of this organization shall be patriotic, educational, social, and for service'' for clarity.

In clause (3), the words ''members of the corporation'' are substituted for ''our members'' for clarity.

In clause (8), the words ''the need for'' are substituted for ''the need of'', and the words ''in each community'' are substituted for ''for each community'', for clarity. The words ''the need'' are added for clarity. The words ''to be always alert'' are substituted for ''to ever be alert'' for clarity.

§ 30504. Membership

An individual is eligible for membership in the corporation if—

(1) she is a mother, adoptive mother, or stepmother (who has given a mother's care at least since the stepchild was age 13) of a son or daughter who—

(A) is serving in the Armed Forces; or

(B) has served in, or has been honorably discharged from, the Armed Forces in World War II or the Korean hostilities; and

(2) she is living in the United States.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1320.)