

(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
170302(a)	36:3601.	Oct. 7, 1985, Pub. L. 99–119, §§1, 17, 99 Stat. 498, 501.
170302(b)	36:3616.	

This section is substituted for the source provisions for consistency in the revised title.

§ 170303. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are as provided in its articles of incorporation and include—

- (1) upholding and defending the Constitution of the United States;
- (2) collating, preserving, and encouraging the study of historical episodes, chronicles, mementos, and events pertaining to “The Day of Infamy, 7 December 1941”, and in particular those memories and records of patriotic service performed by the heroic Pearl Harbor survivors and nonsurvivors;
- (3) shielding from neglect the graves, past and future, of those who served at Pearl Harbor on that day;
- (4) stimulating communities and political subdivisions into taking more interest in the affairs and future of the United States to keep our Nation alert;
- (5) fighting unceasingly for our national security to protect the United States from enemies within and without our borders;
- (6) preserving the American way of life and fostering the spirit and practice of Americanism; and
- (7) instilling love of country and flag and promoting soundness of mind and body in the youth of our Nation.

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Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
170303	36:3603.	Oct. 7, 1985, Pub. L. 99–119, § 3, 99 Stat. 498.

Before clause (1), the word “objects” is omitted as unnecessary.

§ 170304. Membership

(a) ELIGIBILITY.—Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

(b) NONDISCRIMINATION.—The terms of membership may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
170304(a)	36:3605 (words before 1st comma).	Oct. 7, 1985, Pub. L. 99–119, § 5 (words before 1st comma, words after 1st comma related to discrimination in membership), 99 Stat. 499.
170304(b)	36:3605 (words after 1st comma related to discrimination in membership).	

§ 170305. Governing body

(a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—The board of directors and the responsibilities of the board are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

(b) OFFICERS.—The officers and the election of officers are as provided in the articles of incorporation.

(c) NONDISCRIMINATION.—The requirements for holding office in the corporation may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
170305(a)	36:3606.	Oct. 7, 1985, Pub. L. 99–119, §§5 (words after 1st comma related to discrimination in holding office), 6, 7, 99 Stat. 499.
170305(b)	36:3607.	
170305(c)	36:3605 (words after 1st comma related to discrimination in holding office).	

In subsections (a) and (b), the words “and in conformity with the laws of the State in which it is incorporated” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (a), the words “composition of” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (b), the words “positions of” are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 170306. Powers

The corporation has the powers provided in its bylaws and articles of incorporation filed in the State in which it is incorporated, including the power to—

- (1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs;
- (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;
- (3) adopt emblems and badges;
- (4) establish, maintain, and regulate offices to conduct the affairs of the corporation;
- (5) publish a magazine and other publications;
- (6) charge and collect membership dues and subscription fees and receive contributions or grants of money or property to be used to carry out the purposes of the corporation;
- (7) accept gifts, legacies, and devises that will further the purposes of the corporation;
- (8) promote the formation of auxiliaries, the membership requirements of which shall be as provided in the constitution and the bylaws of the corporation;
- (9) sue and be sued; and
- (10) do any other act necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes of the corporation.