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## ARTICLE I - NAME AND OBJECT

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Montgomery Branch, Alabama Section, American Society of Civil Engineers.

Section 2. The objective of the Montgomery Branch shall be the advancement of the science and profession of engineering, in a manner consistent with the objective of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

## ARTICLE II- AREA AND MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The area of the Montgomery Branch shall be the Counties of Montgomery, Autauga, Elmore and Lowndes, in the State of Alabama.

Section 2. The Membership of the Branch shall consist of the following:
a) Subscribing Members: All members of the American Society of Civil Engineers of all grades, who subscribe to the Bylaws of the Montgomery Branch, and who have paid the current dues to the Section and Branch, and Who are resident or employed in the Branch area.
b) Assigned Members: All other members of the American Society of Civil
Engineers of all grades, whose addresses are within the boundaries of the Branch as defined by the Society.

Section 3. Only Subscribing Members of the Branch are eligible to vote on matters brought to a vote before the Branch.

## ARTICLE III - DUES AND FINANCES

Section 1. The Branch activities shall be financed by Branch annual dues and an annual allocation of monies from the Section based on a budget proposed by the Branch and approved by the Section.

Section 2. There shall be no entrance fee.

Section 3. The dues of each member shall be ten (\$10.00) dollars per year.

## ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this Branch shall be a President, a Vice-President, and a SecretaryTreasurer, who with the latest two resident Past-Presidents shall constitute a Board of Directors in which the government of the Branch shall be vested.

Section 2. A Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected at the Annual Meeting to take office at the beginning of the term. The Vice-President shall be elevated to President and the Secretary-Treasurer shall be elevated to Vice-President at the beginning of each term.

Section 3. The term of office for all officers shall be one year beginning on October 1st of each year.

Section 4. Only Subscribing Members of the Branch shall be eligible for election to office.
Section 5. The duties of officers shall be those usual for such officers.

Section 6. A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the Vice-President. A vacancy in the office of Vice-President will be filled by the Secretary-Treasurer. Other vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. At meetings of the Board of Directors, three (3) members shall constitute a quorum.

## ARTICLE V - NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The Branch shall elect a Nominating Committee of three members at a regular meeting preceding the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall choose one or more candidates for election to Secretary-Treasurer and obtain the consent of each nominee to serve if elected.

Section 3. The Nominating Committee shall present their slate of officers for election at the Annual Meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor and all subscribing members present shall be eligible to vote.

## ARTICLE VI-MEETINGS

Section 1. The Annual Meeting shall be held on such date and at such place as the Board of Directors designate. Other meetings shall be called at the discretion of the Board
of Directors; or by the President upon the written request of at least ten subscribing members.

Section 2. In addition to the Annual Meeting, a minimum of five (5) other meetings shall be held each year at regular intervals.

Section 3. At all meetings ten (10) subscribing members shall constitute a quorum.
Section 4. Notice of call for a Branch meeting shall be mailed to all subscribing members of the Branch not less than ten (10) days in advance of the meeting date.

Section 5. All business meetings of the Branch and of the Branch Board of Directors shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, except as provided in these Bylaws.

## ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES

Section 1. The President each year shall appoint the following committees: program, membership, hospitality, public information and legislative.

Section 2. The President shall appoint such other committees as are from time to time deemed necessary.

## ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Bylaws may be adopted or amended only by the following procedure.
a) The proposed Bylaw or amendment shall be voted upon by a majority of the subscribing members of the Branch.
b) To become effective it shall receive an affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the subscribing members voting, and the approval of the Board of Directors of the Alabama Section.

## ARTICLE IX - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 1. No part of the net earnings of the Branch shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual and no substantial part of the activities of the Branch shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and the Branch shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign for public office.

Section 2. Upon dissolution of the Branch the assets remaining after the payment of the debts of the Branch shall be distributed to such corporation, community chest, fund, or foundation, organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, testing for public safety, literary or education purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, which would then qualify under the provisions of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, as the Board of Directors shall have designated and in the absence of such designation they shall be conveyed to the American Society of Civil Engineers.

