CONSTITUTION
AND
BY-LAWS
SELF GOVERNMENT ASSEMBLY
OF THE
SANTA ANITA ASSEMBLY CENTER

Preamble
We, the residents of the Santa Anita Assembly Center, in order to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States, to foster and spread the true spirit of Americanism, to build the character of our people morally and spiritually on American ideals, and to promote the welfare and aid in the development of the residents in this Assembly Center, do hereby ordain and establish this Constitution for the Santa Anita Assembly Center, located at Arcadia, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Constitution

Article I: Name and Purpose
Section 1. The name of this Body shall be known as the Santa Anita Assembly Center Self-Government Assembly.
Section 2. The purpose of this Assembly shall be to promote in every way the interest of the United States Government at the Santa Anita Assembly Center and to assist and cooperate in all of the governmental plans and to promote the welfare and well-being of the residents in the Santa Anita Assembly Center.

Article II: Membership
Section 1. The membership of this Assembly shall be composed of all residents of the Santa Anita Assembly Center.
Section 2. The voting membership of this Assembly shall be composed of all residents who have reached their twenty-first year. There shall be no assessment of initiation or membership fees.

Article III: Self-Government Council
Section 1. There shall be a Self-Government Council for the Assembly composed of seven (7) Sectional Representatives from each District, who shall be elected by the duly qualified voters in their respective sections.
Section 2. The seven (7) Sectional Representatives from each District shall elect one of their number as the Councilman for their respective districts. The Councilman shall devote full time in carrying out the duties of his office.
Section 3. The Officers of the Self-Government Council shall be a Chairman and a Vice Chairman. These officers shall be elected from and by the seven (7) District Councilmen.

Article IV: Duties of Offices
Section 1. The Chairman shall preside at meetings of the Assembly and of the Self-Government Council. The Chairman of the Council shall maintain a close contact, through Representatives of the Center Manager, with all Governmental Authorities in carrying out their orders and in perpetuating the policies and procedures of the United States Government and to promote the welfare and well-being of the residents.
Section 2. In the absence or disability of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman shall perform the duties of the office of Chairman.
Section 3. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Assembly and of the Council, which shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of the members of the Assembly. He shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee of Admissions, and shall act as its secretary. He shall notify members of their elections; keep
Article V:

Section 1. The Self-Government Council shall meet for the transaction of business on Wednesday of each week and at such other stated time as shall be prescribed by the rules of the Council. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Chairman or by any three (3) Councilmen. The Secretary of the Council shall make a weekly report of the proceedings of the Council through the Administrative Representative to the

Article VI:

Section 1. The Council at its first meeting after the regular Quarterly Meeting shall appoint an Executive Committee of three (3) members of the Council and the Secretary of the Council who shall be an ex-officio member of this Committee. The members of this Committee shall hold office for three (3) months or until their successors are appointed and are qualified by the Management.

Section 2. The Council shall appoint other standing committees such as the Committee on Public Affairs, the Housing Section 2.

Article VII:

Section 1. Two-thirds (2/3) of the Representatives of the Santa Anita Self-Government Council shall constitute a quorum.

Article VIII:

Section 1. The elections for Sectional Representatives shall be held on the third (3rd) Tuesday of the month prior to the beginning of the new Quarterly term.

Section 2. A Nominating Committee of three (3) qualified voters in each District shall be appointed by the seven (7) representative of the Santa Anita Self-Government Council to any policy or opinion as to the public affairs or policies of the Self-Government Council or the Executive Management of the Santa Anita Assembly Center or of the United States Government.

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Article IX:

Section 1. This constitution may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Council by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the Representatives present, provided notice of such proposed amendment with a copy thereof has been posted at public places not less than ten (10) days in advance of such meetings, together with a notice of the time and place of the meeting at which such proposed action is to be taken.

By-laws:

Section 1. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all deliberations of this Council in all cases where it does not conflict with a standing rule of this Council.

Section 2. Any rule or order may be suspended temporarily by a majority vote of members; issue notices of all meetings of the Council called as herein-after provided; conduct correspondence; have the custody of records; and perform such other duties as may be required by the Council.

Article III:

Section 1. These By-laws may be amended by a majority vote of the Members present.