DRAFT CBL AMENDMENT 15-12
SUBJECT: AMEND NATIONAL CBL – ARTICLE IV, MEMBERSHIP, SECTION
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WHEREAS, AMVETS changed its membership year from January through December to September through August, and

WHEREAS, this change has had unintended, negative consequences for some of its subordinate organizations; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Membership, Section 5 of the AMVETS National Constitution states, “Membership shall run from September 1 through August 31. All AMVETS subordinate organizations shall maintain the same calendar year for their membership. Eligibility for membership and the rights and privileges of members shall be as provided in the constitution and by-laws of AMVETS and the terms of membership and requirements for holding office within AMVETS shall not be discriminatory on the bases of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation or national origin”; and

WHEREAS, Article XIV, Subordinate Organizations, Section 2, of the AMVETS National Constitution states. “All AMVET subordinate organizations shall pay membership dues in concert with the parent organization”; and

WHEREAS, the cost involved in changing membership applications, membership cards, databases, etc. places an undue financial burden on the already strained budgets these subordinate organizations, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the sentence “All AMVETS subordinate organizations shall maintain the same calendar year for their membership” be deleted from Article IV, Section 5 of the AMVETS National Constitution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Article XIV, Section 2, of the AMVETS National Constitution be deleted; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the remaining sections of Article XIV be renumbered as necessary.