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GLOBAL VITILIGO FOUNDATION BYLAWS

Article I - GENERAL INFORMATION

Section 1.1: Name
The corporation shall be known as the Global Vitiligo Foundation (Foundation).

Section 1.2: Purposes
The Global Vitiligo Foundation is a physician and patient led organization driven by the mission to improve the lives of people living with vitiligo. The Foundation supports vitiligo groups throughout the world and advocates for research and education for vitiligo.

The Global Vitiligo Foundation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes, and the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The mission of the Global Vitiligo Foundation is to improve the quality of life for individuals with vitiligo through education, research, clinical care, and community support.

Section 1.2.1: Specific Purposes
To fulfill our mission, we bring together clinicians, researchers, support groups, industry, patients, patient advocacy groups, and regulatory bodies to raise awareness about vitiligo, advance our understanding of the disease and its therapies, and ultimately, find a cure.

The specific objectives and purposes of this Foundation shall be to:

(a) sponsor, host, and/or participate in events and activities that promote the study of and research on vitiligo
(b) sponsor and provide learning for people with vitiligo, their caregivers, researchers, and physicians
(c) provide access to instruction and information on the treatment of vitiligo
(d) provide guidance and assistance to people and companies that seek a cure for vitiligo
(e) provide guidance and assistance for vitiligo support groups

Section 1.3: Powers
The Foundation shall have such powers as are now or may hereafter be granted by the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, by its Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, and the GVF Administrative Regulations.

Section 1.4: Fiscal and Liability Requirements

Section 1.4.1: Fiscal Year
The fiscal year of the organization shall be established by the Board of Directors and outlined in the Foundation's Administrative Regulations.

Section 1.4.2: Audit
At the end of the fiscal year, the books of the Foundation shall be closed, and financial statements prepared for such year. Such financial statements shall be composed by an accounting firm and when necessary certified by an independent accounting firm and CPA when required by the Board of Directors (Board), Federal laws or regulations, or the laws of Michigan and/or Illinois. Such financial statements shall be promptly provided to each Director.

Section 1.4.3: Insurance
Every director, officer, employee, and agent of the association and such others as specified from time to time by the Executive Committee, shall be indemnified by the Foundation against all expenses and liabilities, including legal fees reasonably incurred or imposed upon them in connection with any proceeding to which they may be made a party or in which they may become involved, by reason of being or having been a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Foundation, or any settlement thereof, whether the person is a director, officer, or employee at the time such expenses are incurred, except in such cases wherein the director, officer, employee, or agent is adjudged guilty of negligence, willful misfeasance, or malfeasance in the performance of duties. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which the indemnified person may be entitled.

The Foundation shall be entitled to purchase insurance for such indemnification to the full extent as determined from time to time by the Executive Committee or Board of the Foundation.

Section 1.4.4: Financial Documents
The financial records of the Foundation are public information and shall be made available to the Board in their entirety and to the public in accordance with the laws of the state of incorporation. At the discretion of the Board, the information made available to the public can be limited to a general financial summary.

Article II - OFFICES

Section 2.1: Principal Office
The Foundation's principal office shall be located at such a place as the Board shall determine. The Board is granted full power and authority to change said principal office from one location to another.

Section 2.2: Other Offices
Branch or subordinate offices may be established at any time by the Board at any place or places.

Article III - MEMBERSHIP
The Foundation shall have no members and shall be managed by the self-perpetuating Board of Directors. Any action that by law would otherwise require approval of members shall require only approval of the Board of Directors. All rights that would otherwise vest in the members shall vest in the Directors.

Article IV - OFFICERS
The officers of the Foundation are the President, President-Elect/Secretary, Immediate Past-President, Treasurer, Physician Community Liaison, and Vice-President of Vitiligo Support.

Section 4.1: Eligibility
Persons interested in serving as an officer must have previously served as a Director for two years prior to taking office.

In order to serve as an officer, the candidate must have served as least two years as a Board member prior to being nominated for an officer position. Should no Directors with two years' experience be willing and/or able to run for an officer position, the Board, at its discretion, may waive the two years requirement.

Section 4.2: Elections

With the exception of the Vice-President of Vitiligo Support, Officers will be elected by the Board, as needed, annually.

Section 4.3: Terms of Office

Section 4.3.1: President

The term of office of the President is one (1) year commencing at the end of the annual meeting at which his or her predecessor's term as President ends and continuing until the President's resignation, removal, death, or until the President's term expires and his or her successor takes office.

Section 4.3.2: President-Elect/Secretary

The term of office of the President-Elect/Secretary is one (1) year commencing at the end of the annual meeting at which his or her predecessor's term as President-Elect/Secretary ends and continuing until the President's resignation, removal, death, or until the President's term expires. The President-Elect will assume the office of President following his or her successors term.

Section 4.3.3: Immediate Past-President

The term of office of the Immediate Past-President is one (1) year commencing at the end of the annual meeting at which his or her term as President ends and continuing until the end of the next President's term.

Section 4.3.4: Treasurer

The term of office of the Treasurer is two (2) years commencing at the end of the annual meeting at which he or she is elected and continues until his or her resignation, removal, death, or until his or her term expires and his or her successor is elected and qualified. The Treasurer can serve up to two (2) consecutive terms.

Section 4.3.5: Vice-President of Vitiligo Support

The term of office of the Vice-President of Vitiligo Support is one (1) year commencing at the end of the annual meeting at which time he or she is appointed by the Board. At the end of the one (1) year term, the Board, at its discretion may reappoint the individual for up to a combined total of three (3) years.

Section 4.3.6: Physician Community Liaison

The term of office of the Physician Community Liaison is one (1) year commencing at the end of the annual meeting at which time he or she is appointed by the Board. At the end of the one (1) year term, the Board, at its discretion may reappoint the individual for an additional term.

Section 4.4: Vacancies and Succession

Section 4.4.1: President

If a vacancy occurs in the office of President, the President-Elect assumes the office of President and serves the remainder of the vacating President's term and one (1) additional complete year. Should the President-Elect be unable or unwilling to fill the President's vacated term, the Treasurer or other Director, duly appointed by the full Board, may assume the vacated term.

In the event the President is unable to carry out his or her duties, the next highest-ranking member of the Executive Committee shall assume such duties. The rank order of the members of the Executive Committee is: President, President-Elect, Treasurer, and Vice-President of Vitiligo Support.

Section 4.4.2: President-Elect/Secretary, Vice-President, and Treasurer

If a vacancy occurs in the office of President-Elect/Secretary, Vice-President or Treasurer, the Board shall appoint a Director for the unexpired term of the vacant office.

No member of the Board may continue to serve on the Board if he or she fails to attend three (3) consecutive Board meetings, except where such absence is for an acceptable reason as determined by the Board or its designees.

Section 4.5: Duties of the Office

Section 4.5.1: President

a) He or she shall be the President of the Board of the Global Vitiligo Foundation and a member ex-officio of all committees of the Foundation.
b) The President shall preside at all meetings of the Directors and Foundation.
c) The President, with approval of the Board, shall, at his or her discretion, have the power to create committees and to designate a chair of any committee or subgroup so created.
d) The President is responsible for the execution of the Foundation's strategic plan and shall direct staff and committees in accordance with the Board's wishes and the strategic plan.
e) The President shall chair and lead Executive Committee meetings.

Section 4.5.2 President-Elect/Secretary

a) The President-Elect shall preside at the meetings of the Foundation and of the Board in the absence of the President.
b) In the event of the disability of the President, the President-Elect shall become acting President with all the powers of the President.
c) If there is no President-Elect in office in the event of the disability of the President, succession shall proceed as defined in Section 4 of Article IV.
d) The President-Elect or a designate shall keep minutes and records of decision at all meetings of the Foundation.
e) The President-Elect shall be the custodian of all records and papers of the Foundation, except the financial records.
f) The President-Elect or a designate shall keep a correct list of all contacts of the Foundation.
g) The President-Elect shall ensure that annual reports of committees are filed in accordance with these Bylaws and/or the Foundation's Administrative Regulations.
h) The President-Elect shall assure that all notices are given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws, Foundation Administrative Regulations, or as required by law.
i) For purposes of the Michigan Nonprofit Act, the President-Elect will fulfill the requirement for a Secretary position.

Section 4.5.3: Treasurer

a) The Treasurer of the Foundation shall oversee staff who will demand and receive all funds, bequests, and donations due the Foundation and who shall deposit them in an appropriate bank account held in the Foundation's name.
b) The Treasurer shall disburse such funds from the treasury as the Board shall direct.

c) The Treasurer shall make a report of the state of the treasury to the Board, at meetings of the Foundation as necessary or requested by the Board, and at such other times as may be necessary.
d) The Treasurer shall serve as the Chair of the Finance Committee, or similarly named committee, that oversees the financial health and wellbeing of the Foundation.

Section 4.5.4: Physician Community Liaison

a) The Physician Community Liaison shall serve as Chair of the GVF Community Committee and serve as a connection between the physicians and patients of the Foundation.

Section 4.6: Resignation and Removal

Section 4.6.1: Resignation

An officer may resign by oral tender of resignation at any meeting of the Board of Directors or by giving written notice thereof to the Board. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified and acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Section 4.6.2: Removal

The Board may, by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of its members, remove any officer for cause at a special meeting expressly called for that purpose. For cause includes but is not limited to the following: violates ethical standards, perceived or real criminal activities, and unexcused absences.

Article V - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 5.1: Composition

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, President-Elect/Secretary, Vice-President, Treasurer, Immediate Past- President, Physician Community Liaison, and the executive staff members. The Immediate Past-President and executive staff are non-voting members of the committee.

Section 5.2: Duties

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the governance of the Foundation between meetings of the Board in accordance with Administrative Regulations approved by the entire Board.

The Executive Committee is responsible for the yearly evaluation of staff.

Section 5.3: Powers

The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board, other than the powers expressly reserved to the Board of Directors by these Bylaws and by the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, to transact business between Board meetings in accordance with rules established by the Board. Actions required between Board meetings shall be ratified at the next meeting of the Board.

Section 5.4: Reporting

The Executive Committee shall report its actions to the Board at its next meeting.

Section 5.5: Quorum and Voting

A majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum, and the vote of a majority in attendance at the meetings at which a quorum exists shall constitute the act of the Executive Committee. No action shall be taken by the Executive Committee except at a scheduled meeting.

Article VI – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 6.1: Duties of Directors

The affairs of the Foundation shall be managed by its Board of Directors (Board). Except as the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or GVF Administrative Regulations may require that action shall be otherwise authorized or taken, all authority of the Foundation shall be exercised by its Board.

Section 6.2: Power and Authority

Without prejudice to its general powers as specified above in Section 1 of Article VI, or otherwise listed in these Bylaws, the Board shall have full power and authority to:

(a) Borrow money on behalf of the Foundation, including the power and authority to borrow money from any Director or officer of the Foundation and otherwise to incur indebtedness for the Foundation, and to agree to pay interest thereon

(b) Sell, convey, alienate, transfer, assign, exchange, lease and otherwise to dispose of, mortgage, pledge, hypothecate, and encumber the property, real and personal

(c) Invest and reinvest property of the Foundation from time to time

(d) Purchase, lease, and otherwise acquire property, real and personal, on behalf of the Foundation, including the right to receive property by gift or testamentary disposition

(e) Act as trustee under any trust incidental to the principal objectives of the Foundation

(f) Receive, hold, administer and expend funds and property subject to such trust

(g) Loan funds to charitable organizations

(h) Generally perform or cause to be performed every act which the Foundation may lawfully perform; provided, however, that any funds invested by the Foundation shall be invested in such manner, so that income therefrom will not be subject to income tax under those provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time, relating to income of, charitable Foundations, provided further that all monies and all property and all proceeds therefrom, both of corpus and income of the Foundation, shall be devoted exclusively to religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes, and that no part of such corpus or income therefrom shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and that no substantial part of the activities of this Foundation shall be carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; and that this Foundation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distributing of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office; and provided, further, that this Foundation shall never be owned or held by an entity which shall engage in so called “prohibited transactions” as defined in Sections 503 (b) and 4948 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code and as from time to time hereafter amended

(i) Have control of and be responsible for the management of the affairs and property of the Foundation.

(j) Set the dues or other fees for the Foundation

(k) Make all contracts or shall authorize all contracts made in the name of the Foundation or by all officers or any committees of the organization

(l) By simple majority vote, to adopt rules and regulations governing its own action (Administrative Regulations)

(m) Have full authority with respect to the distribution and payment of monies received by the Foundation provided that the fundamental and basic purposes of the Foundation, as expressed in the Certificate of Incorporation, shall not thereby be amended or changed; and that no net earnings or capital of the

Foundation be permitted to inure to the benefit of any individual member of the Board with exception of reasonable compensation paid for services rendered

(n) In the case of absence of any officer, the Board may delegate the powers or duties of any officer to any other officer or any Director, except where otherwise provided by the Bylaws
(o) Approve all committee appointments made by the President
(p) Approve the budget of the Foundation
(q) Approve all programs of the Foundation

Section 6.2.1: Staff

In order to execute the work of the Foundation, the Board of Directors may contract or employ staff, who, at the Board's direction, shall carry out the affairs of the Foundation in a manner consistent with its fundamental purposes and with the policies of the Board. The staff shall not be members of the Board of Directors.

Section 6.2.2: Executive Staff

The Board of Directors may engage an Executive Director, or other executive staff, who shall have overall responsibility for management of the operations and business affairs of the Foundation. The executive staff shall execute all programs established by the Board and all duties as may be assigned from time to time by the President or the Board, shall negotiate and execute contracts as authorized by the Board, shall be custodian of Foundation funds, and shall have authority to make deposits and disbursements in connection with the conduct of its business affairs, as delegated by the Board. The executive staff and all staff members of the Foundation staff who deal with its funds shall be bonded for the faithful discharge of duties as the Board may deem appropriate.

Section 6.2.3: Emergency Powers

If a quorum of the Board of Directors cannot readily be assembled because of some catastrophic event, the exercise of emergency powers is authorized as provided by the state of Michigan statutes governing nonprofit corporations and in accordance with the Foundation's Administrative Regulations.

Section 6.3: Composition

The number of Directors shall be fixed from time-to-time by the Directors but shall consist of not less than three (3) persons, who shall be elected by majority vote at the annual meeting of the Board.

Section 6.4: Terms

Appointed members of the Board shall serve for three (3) years or until their successors are elected. Such members shall be eligible to serve no more than the equivalent of two (2) full terms consecutively (six (6) years). Exceptions of several months, but not more than one (1) year, can be made by the Board to account for Directors appointed outside of the annual meeting.

Terms shall begin at the close of the annual meeting at which they were appointed or on the date on which a special appointment was made by the Board.

Section 6.5: Board of Directors Meetings

Section 6.5.1: Meetings of the Board of Directors

Regular meetings of the Board shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by resolution of the Board, except that the Board shall meet no less than two (2) times each year. Notice of time of meeting will be on an annual calendar; place and purpose of the meeting shall be provided to each Director not less than four (4) weeks before the meeting. At the discretion of the Board, the annual meeting can be considered one of the meetings.

Should Directors not have the ability to attend the meeting at a physical location and space, they will have access to an electronic means of listening to and participating in the meeting while it is occurring.

Section 6.5.2: Additional Meetings

Additional meetings outside of regularly scheduled and annual meetings of the Board may be held at such times as the Board may determine.

Section 6.5.3: Annual Meetings

A regular annual meeting of the Board shall be held in springtime each year on a date and at such time as the President or the persons entitled to call such meeting may determine for the purposes of electing Directors and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. Notice of time of meeting will be on an annual calendar; place and purpose of the meeting shall be provided to each Director not less than four (4) weeks before the meeting.

Section 6.5.4: Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Board may be called on an emergency basis by or at the request of the President or any two (2) members of the Board to discuss and vote on immediate or impending challenges or legal matters of the Foundation. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board may fix any location, as the place for holding any special meeting of the Board called by them. Should Directors not have the ability to attend the meeting at a physical location and space, they will have access to an electronic means of listening to and participating in the meeting while it is occurring.

Section 6.5.4.1: Special Meetings Notification

Notice of any special meeting of the Board shall be given at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by telephone, facsimile, electronic methods, or by written notice. Directors have the right to waive notice per Section 5.5 of Article VI of these Bylaws.

Section 6.5.5 Notice of Meetings

Notice of time, place, and purpose of the meeting shall be provided to each director not less than four (4) weeks before the meeting except where otherwise expressly written in these Bylaws.

Any Director may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a Director at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at nor the purpose of any regular meeting of the Board of Directors need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting unless specifically required by law or by these Bylaws.

In any case, any acts or proceedings taken at a Directors' meeting not validly called or constituted may be made valid and fully effective by ratification at a subsequent Directors' meeting that is legally and validly called. This includes such actions as making and passing motions by email or other electronic means of voting where all members of the Board received the necessary email communication(s) needed to make an informed decision and the ability to cast a vote.

Except as otherwise provided herein, notice of any Directors' meeting or any waiver thereof need not state the purpose of the meeting, and, at any Directors' meeting duly held as provided in these Bylaws, any business within the legal province and authority of the Board may be transacted.

Section 6.6: Electronic Participation

Any one or more members of the Board or any committee thereof may participate in a meeting of the Board or such committee by means of a conference telephone, video conferencing, or similar communications equipment allowing all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.

Section 7: Quorum

A simple majority of the members of the Board shall be present to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The act of a majority present at a meeting at which a quorum exists is the act of the Board. Each member of the Board shall be entitled to one vote. Proxy voting shall not be permitted for any purpose.

Section 8: Absence

Should any member of the Board be unreasonably absent from three (3) consecutive meetings of the Board without sending a communication to the President or President-Elect stating his or her reason for so doing, his or her seat on the Board may be declared vacant, and the President may forthwith proceed to fill the vacancy in accordance with Section 9 of Article VI of these Bylaws.

Section 9: Vacancies

Whenever any vacancy occurs in the Board by death, resignation, or otherwise that brings the number below the minimum as set forth by the Bylaws, it shall be filled without undue delay by a majority vote by ballot of the remaining members of the Board at a regular or a special meeting that shall be called for that purpose. The election shall be held within 60 days after the occurrence of the vacancy. The person selected shall hold office until the next annual meeting or one (1) year, whichever comes first.

Section 10: Resignation

A director may resign at any time, either by oral tender of resignation at any meeting of the Board or by giving written notice (paper or electronic) thereof to any officer of the Foundation. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified and acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Section 11: Removal of Directors

Any one or more of the Directors may be removed for cause, at any time, by consensus of all Board of Directors. For cause includes but is not limited to the following: violates ethical standards, perceived or real criminal activities, and unexcused absences.

Section 12: Procedure

The President shall preside at meetings of the Board of Directors and shall consult Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, on matters of procedure not specifically covered by these Bylaws.

Section 13: Fees and Compensation

No Director shall receive compensation from the Foundation for services rendered to the Foundation as a Director. However, nothing herein shall prevent the Foundation by a majority vote of the Board at a duly constituted meeting from paying compensation in any capacity other than as Director. The Board maintains the ability to reimburse Directors for Board approved expenses.

Article VII - COMMITTEES

For the purpose of these Bylaws, Article VII shall encompass the various types of working subgroups of the Foundation as appointed by the President or Board. Among others, these subgroups include names like committee, working group, taskforce, commission, ad hoc committee, or standing committee.

Section 7.1: Standing Committees of the Board

The Board shall have designated Committees that consist of Chair persons who are members of the board and members who are members and non-members of the board and shall act in an advisory capacity to the board. The committees consist of not more than five (5) members serving three (3) year terms. The committees shall meet on a quarterly basis.

Section 7.1.1: Executive Committee

The Foundation shall maintain an Executive Committee. The duties and eligibility are outlined in Article V above.

Section 7.1.2: Finance Committee

Section 7.1.2.1: Composition

The Committee shall be composed of not less than three (3) people, one of which is the Treasurer. The Treasurer is the chair of the Finance Committee.

Section 7.1.2.2: Duties

The Finance Committee shall:

a) Review and submit an annual proposed budget to the Board of Directors
b) Submit annual and quarterly reports to the full Board
c) Monitor fiscal performance of the Foundation against its current budget
d) Review financial statements with the staff and certified public accountants of the Foundation
e) Recommend guidelines for investment of funds of the Foundation
f) Develop and review fiscal procedures
g) Review other Foundation fiscal matters for recommendation to the Board

Section 7.1.3: Nominating Committee

Section 7.1.3.1: Composition

The Nominating Committee shall be comprised of not less than three (3) Directors or persons appointed by the full Board and the Immediate Past-President, who will serve as Chair.

Section 7.1.3.2: Duties

The Nominating Committee shall nominate persons as officers and directors of the Foundation in accordance with the GVF Administrative Regulations or as instructed by the Board.

Section 7.1.4: Development Committee

Section 7.1.4.1: Composition

The Development Committee shall be comprised of not less than three (3) Directors or persons appointed by the full Board.

Section 7.1.4.2: Duties

The Development Committee is responsible for guiding the Board of Director’s’ support and oversight of GVF ’s institutional advancement strategy and objectives.

Section 7.1.5: Medical Advisory Board

Section 7.1.5.1: Composition

The Medical Advisory Board is an honorary board and shall be comprised of prominent and respected dermatologists and scientists with significant experience in vitiligo research, clinical care and education

Section 7.1.5.2: Duties

The Medical Advisory Board is responsible for supporting the organization by providing medically relevant and accurate information to better inform the GVF Board and the greater vitiligo community.

Section 7.2: Standing Committees

The Board shall have designated Committees that consist of persons who are members of the board and persons who are non-members of the board and shall act in an advisory capacity to the board. The committees consist of not more than five (8) members serving three (3) year terms. The committees shall meet on a quarterly basis.

Section 7.2.1: Vitiligo Support Committee

Section 7.2.1.1: Duties

The Vitiligo Support Committee is responsible for guiding oversight of strategic initiatives that support patients/individuals with vitiligo and GVF's assistance for vitiligo related support groups. This includes constant attention to the mission of GVF, strategic plan and implementation of best practices. The Committee shall work with the staff in developing annual and long-range plans.

Section 7.2.2: Communications Committee

Section 7.2.2.1: Duties

The Communications Committee is responsible for increasing awareness of the GVF brand, creating and/or reviewing documents for public consumption, and working with other GVF committees on the publication of digital and paper materials.

Section 7.2.3: Scientific Meeting Committee

Section 7.2.3.1: Duties

The Scientific Meetings Committee is responsible for developing scientific meetings for GVF. These meetings will promote the education of physicians, residents, fellows, non-physician scientists and other healthcare providers to improve knowledge of vitiligo etiology, epidemiology, quality of life, biology, diagnosis, and management.

Section 7.2.4: Research Committee

Section 7.2.4.1.: Duties

The Research Committee shall evaluate proposed projects to determine consistency with the GVF's mission.

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Section 7.3: Creation of Subgroups

Subgroups (examples include, committee, working groups, taskforce, commission, ad hoc committee, standing committee) may be established and abolished from time to time as appropriate and approved by the Board. Such subgroups shall discharge such responsibilities as may be assigned to them by the Board. The Board shall define the function of each /committee.

Section 7.3.1: GVF Community Committee

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The Community Committee shall be comprised of GVF Support Group leaders providing guidance to the Board of Directors and staff on issues of importance and interest to the vitiligo community..

Section 7.4: Appointment and Removal of Committee Members

The President shall appoint a chair of each subgroup except the Nominating Committee, as soon as practical following the annual meeting of the Foundation. The chair of each subgroup will report to the Board.

Vacancies occurring in the membership of the committees shall be filled by the chair of the committee, in consultation with the president, except vacancies on the Nominating Committee, such vacancies shall be filled by the Board.

The chair of each committee shall preside at all subgroup meetings and shall render a report to the Board as requested for each Board meeting and at each annual meeting of the Foundation.

Section 7.5: Ex-Officio Members

The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees and subgroups. The President may from time to time appoint one or more additional persons as ex-officio members of committees. Ex-officio members of subgroups and committees shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of regular committee members but shall not vote or be counted in determining the existence of a quorum.

Article VIII - CONTRACT AND BANKING PROVISIONS

Section 8.1: Contracts

The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents to enter into any contract or execute or deliver any instrument in the name of or on behalf of the Foundation and such authority may be general or confined to special instances as outlined in the Foundation’s Administrative Regulations and approved by the full Board.

Section 8.2: Deposits

All funds of the Foundation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Foundation in such financial institutions and/or investments in accordance with the guidelines recommended by the Finance Committee, outlined in the Foundation’s Administrative Regulations and approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 8.3: Checks

All checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Foundation shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the Foundation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors and outlined in the Foundation’s Administrative Regulations.

Section 8.4: Loans

No loan shall be made to the Foundation and no evidence of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board.

Article IX - AMENDMENTS

Section 9.1: Notice

These Bylaws may be amended, or new Bylaws adopted at any regular, annual, or special meeting, provided that Directors have at least fourteen (14) days' notice and access to the language of any proposed amendment.

Section 9.2: Voting Requirements

Any amendment to the Bylaws must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Directors present at the regular, annual, or special meeting properly called and constituted.

Section 9.3: Notice Exemption

These Bylaws may be further amended or new Bylaws adopted at any regular, annual, or special meeting, properly constituted upon the unanimous vote of all Directors present at the meeting without the necessity for prior notice of the proposed amendment.

Article X - DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Foundation, the Board, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Foundation, shall dispose of all of the remaining assets of the Foundation exclusively for the purposes of the Foundation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations as shall at the time qualify as a tax-exempt organization or organizations recognized under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue statute, as the Board shall determine.

GVF Bylaws Edits Log

Date of change	Brief Description of Change	Board Approved or General Editing
11/11/20	Bylaws Adopted	Board Approved
04/19/21	Change name from VP of Patient Affairs to VP of Vitiligo Support	Board Approved
5/10/21	Update Article VII – Section 7.2 so that it matches with the opening statement of Article VII. Section 7.2 was missing the word “committee” as one of the options for subgroups.	General Editing
8/9/21	Edit Section 7.3: Appointment and Removal of Committee Members. Edits were made to make the bylaws more inline with the working practices of the board.	Board Approved
6/15/2023	Amendment to Section VII to add Committees of the Board with composition and duties; standing committees with duties, renumber sections 7.3; 7.3; and 7.4	
9/03/24	Amendment to Section 6.5.3 to change the annual meeting from “May or June” to “springtime.”	Board Approved
9/03/24	Section 6.3 – removed 15 person cap on Board of Directors	Board Approved
3/26/25	Sections 4.3, 4.5, 5.1 – added a new position of Physician Patient Liaison to the Board and the Executive Committee	Board Approved
6/02/25	Sections 4.3, 4.5, 5.1 – changed ‘Physician Patient Liaison’ to ‘Physician Community Liaison’	Board Approved