RULES OF CONSTITUTION FOR THE DANISH SOCIETY IN AUCKLAND

1. TITLE:-

The title of this association shall be: "The Danish Society ... Incorporated."

2. OFFICE:

The office of the Society shall be at the home address of the ... President of the Society or such other place as the executive ... may from time to time determine.

3. OBJECTS:

The objects of the Society shall be for:-

(a) The mutual benefit of Members.

(b) To recreate their interest in the history and culture of ... their native land.

(c) To extend a friendly and helping hand to all Danes, new .... settlers and visitors.

(d) To always and at any time promote good fellowship amongst... themselves, and to be loyal to their new country.

4. CONSTITUTION:

(a) The Society shall consist of Members, Life Members and Honorary.. Members. Members and Life Members shall be entitled to all the.. rights and privileges of Membership, Honorary Members shall be... entitled to all the rights and privileges except the right to ... vote at any meeting or election, or to nominate or second any ... candidate for office, or to nominate and second any candidate for Membership or second any candidate for Membership.

(b) New members shall be admitted upon election by a simple majority.. of the members present at a general meeting but no person shall.. be presented as a candidate for election without application in.. writing signed by himself and two members being lodged in the ... hands of the Secretary at least fourteen clear days before such.. general meeting.

5. ADMISSION OF MEMBERS:

Qualification for Membership shall be:-

(a) Danish born People.

(b) Descendants of Danes.

(c) Marriage with persons qualifying as in (a) or (b).

6. HONORARY MEMBERS:

The President may in his or her discretion issue Honorary ..... Members' tickets.

7. CONDUCT:

The Committee may expel or remove any Members if it is satisfied. that his or her conduct or character is inconsistent with objects or well being of the Society. Any such Member so expelled shall have the right to appeal at the next general meeting.

8. MEMBERS LEAVING THE SOCIETY:

Any Member may resign from the Society provided that before .... severing connection with the Society, he or she shall give at .. least three (3) months previous notice in writing to the ..... Secretary of his or her intention of doing so, and shall pay ... all fees and other dues payable by him or her under these rules.

9. SUBSCRIPTIONS:

All subscriptions shall be paid to the Treasurer in advance.

10. MEETINGS:

(a) Meetings to be held at such place decided upon by the .... Committee and at not more than monthly intervals.

(b) The Annual General Meeting shall be held in the month of.. March in every year upon the date and at a time and place to be. fixed by the Chairman or in his default, absence or inability .. the Committee for the following purposes:-

(1) To receive from the Committee a Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts for the preceding year and an ..... estimate of the receipts and expenditure for the current. year.

(2) To fill the vacancies in the Committee.

(3) To decide on any resolution which may be duly submitted.. to the meeting. Not less than fourteen days written ... notice shall be given to all members of the date of and . (place of the annual meeting.

(c) At all General Meetings ten members shall constitute a .... quorum.

11. ALTERATION OF RULES:

(a) These rules may be altered, added to, rescinded or other-.. wise amended by a resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of.. those present at a general meeting of which fourteen days notice. has been given.

(b) Every such notice shall set forth the purport of the propos- alteration, addition, rescission or other amendment.

(c) Duplicate copies of every such alteration addition ..... rescission or amendment shall forthwith be delivered to the ..... Registrar in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

12. VOTING AT ANNUAL MEETINGS:

The voting at general annual meetings shall be by show of hands, . or by demand by one third of the Members present by ballot.

13. CONTROL AND USE OF FUNDS:

All moneys received by or on behalf of the Society shall forth- . with be paid to the credit of the Society in an Account with the. Post Office Savings Bank or such other Bank or Savings Bank from. time to time to be fixed by the Society and all cheques or with-. drawal slips drawn on the Account shall be signed by the Chairman and the Treasurer (or in the alternative by either of these .... together with two of the Committeemen for the time being).

14. CHAIRMAN'S DECISION:

The Chairman shall have the final decisions on all the discussions

befor the meeting. Any Member not in agreement with the Chairman's decision to have the right to appeal to Committee.

THE COMMITTEE:

The Society shall have a Committee composed of a President, ... Secretary, Treasurer and 6 Committee Members. The Committee shall be deemed to be fully and properly constituted notwithstanding any . extraordinary vacancies that may exist in it, or any defect in the. number of Members returned at any election, provided a quorum of .. 5 remains. All officers of the Society to be elected at the .... Annual General Meeting provided that if any vacancy occurs, the .. said vacancy be filled by the Committee from amongst the Members.

16. QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE:

Candidate for any office on the Committee must have been a Member . of the Society for at least 3 months immediately prior to nomination.

17. THE SECRETARY

The Secretary shall attend all Meetings, Social or Committee, and . shall take the minutes thereat. Shall keep a register of the .. names and addresses of the members. Shall carry on the corres- . pondence of the Society, and keep a copy of it, and shall generally perform the duties that may from time to time be assigned by the .. President or the Committee. Shall prepare a list of Members and . Officers in January each year, and forward same to the Registrar of Friendly Societies. Shall hold office for 12 months but the .... Committee shall have power to suspend him or her for any neglect .. or dereliction of duty.

18. COMMON SEAL:

The Society shall have a Common Seal, which shall be in the custody of the Secretary. It shall be affixed to any Instrument or .. Document only by the authority of the Committee and in the presence of the President, or Vice-President and two Members of the Committee

19. INVESTMENT OF FUNDS:

The Society may from time to time invest and reinvest in such .... securities and upon such terms as it shall think fit the whole or . any part of its funds which shall not be required for the immediate business of the Society.

20. BORROWING POWERS:

The Society shall in addition to the other powers vested in it .. have a power to borrow or raise money from time to time by the issue of debentures bonds mortgages or any other security founded or .. based on all or any of the property and/or rights of the Society . or without any such security and upon such terms as to priority . and otherwise as the Society shall think fit but the powers of so. borrowing or raising money shall not be exercised except pursuant. to a resolution of the Society passed in general meeting.

21. DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS ASSETS:

In the event of the Society being wound up the surplus assets .. after payment of the Society's liabilities and the expense of the. winding up shall be placed under the control of the Danish Charge. d'affaires until such time as the Danish Society or its successors. shall recommence its activities and then and in such case the .. moneys then held by the Danish Charge d'affaires shall be ..... transferred back to the new Society for its general purposes.