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(California Association of Marriage and Family
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San Gabriel Valley Chapter

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SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER, INC.

A California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this corporation is C.A.M.F.T., San Gabriel Valley, Chapter, Inc., herein referred to as "Chapter," of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, herein referred to as "C.A.M.F.T." This Chapter of C.A.M.F.T. is governed by these Bylaws of C.A.M.F.T., San Gabriel Valley Chapter and in conjunction with the Bylaws of the State of California Association of C.A.M.F.T. herein set forth as follows:

ARTICLE II OFFICES

Section 2.01 PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office for the transaction of the activities and affairs of the corporation ("principal office") is located at Los Angeles County, California. The Board of Directors ("the Board") may change the principal office from one location to another. Any change in location of the principal office shall be noted by the Secretary on these Bylaws opposite this section, or this section may be amended to state the new location.

Section 2.02 OTHER OFFICES

The Board may at any time establish branch or subordinate offices at any place or places where the corporation is qualified to conduct its activities.

ARTICLE III PURPOSES AND LIMITATIONS

Section 3.01 PURPOSES

This corporation is a nonprofit mutual benefit corporation organized under the California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law. The purpose of this corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under such law. Such purposes for which this corporation is formed are education, pleasure, recreation, and other non-profitable purposes. This corporation is organized exclusively for such purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, carry on or engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this

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- (b) Property. The property, assets, profits and net income are dedicated irrevocably to the purposes set forth in Section 3.01 above. No part of the profits or net earnings of this corporation, shall ever inure to the benefit of any of its Directors, trustees, officers, members (if any), employees, or to the benefit of any private individual.
- (c) Dissolution. Upon the winding up and dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the payment of the debts, obligations and liabilities of the corporation, the remaining assets of this corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for recreational purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.)

SECTION 3.03 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this corporation shall be:

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- To serve and represent the common professional and business interests of
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ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

Section 4.01 CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP

There shall be five classes of members, consisting of persons dedicated to the purposes of this corporation, who meet other qualifications for membership, as the Board may determine shall be eligible for membership on approval of the membership application by the Board and on timely payment of such dues and fees as the Board may fix from time to time. The five categories of

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membership in this Chapter are as follows: Licensed Clinical Members, Registered Interns, Students, Associates, and Honorary.

SECTION 4.02 QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Clinical members shall hold a license as an MFC or an MFT that is issued by the Board of Behavioral Science Examiners for the State of California and shall be a member in good standing of C.A.M.F.T. (i) All clinical members are entitled to vote in elections for Chapter Officers and shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of the Chapter without restriction while in good standing. (ii) Emeritus clinical member – a clinical member of at least 65 years of age, who at formal retirement from marriage and family therapy has been a clinical member in good standing for at least ten (10) consecutive years immediately prior to written application for this category of membership. The emeritus clinical member shall not be required to pay dues.
- (b) Eligible for membership are interns registered by the Behavioral Science Examiners of California but must have completed all educational requirements at a masters degree level. A Registered Intern shall be in the process of gaining 3000 hours of counseling experience while under the supervision of an already licensed psychotherapist. An intern member shall be eligible for advancement to clinical member status upon becoming licensed after completing all of the requirements set forth by the Board of Behavioral Science Examiners. Registered Intern members may vote for the election of Chapter Officers and hold a non-executive office, but cannot hold an executive office until after he or she has obtained their MFT license.
- (c) A Student Member shall be enrolled in a masters or doctoral program which will satisfy the educational requirements for eligibility to sit for the MFT license examinations. A student member is eligible to vote for chapter officers and hold only a chairperson's position and is entitled to all other rights and privileges of the Chapter.
- (d) An Associate Member shall be as follows: (i) in a profession related to marriage and family therapy, but does not hold an MFT license, or (ii) a California licensed MFT who is a resident of a state or jurisdiction other than California, or (iii) a resident of a state or jurisdiction other than California who lawfully practices marriage and family therapy. An Associate Member shall not be eligible to vote or hold offices but shall be entitled to all other rights and privileges of the Chapter.
- (e) An Honorary member may be awarded to a non-member who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of marriage and family therapy. This title is an honor and does not entitle the holder to any voting rights or privileges of the Chapter. The title may be awarded only in the following manner. Nominations shall be made in writing by any Chapter Clinical Member to an Honors Committee who shall, if there is a majority vote, forward their recommendation to the Chapter officers for further action.

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Membership shall be upon recommendation of the membership chairperson and upon a majority vote of the Chapter's officers. All members shall pay dues in accordance with the dues schedule published on the membership application and shall abide by the Bylaws and ethical standards of the Chapter.

SECTION 4.04 DUES, FEES, AND ASSESSMENTS

Each member must pay, within the time and on the conditions set by the Board, the dues, fees, and assessments in amounts to be fixed from time to time by the Board. The dues, fees, and assessments shall be equal for all members of each class, but the Board may, in its discretion, set different dues, fees, and assessments for each class.

SECTION 4.05 GOOD STANDING

Those members who have paid the required dues, fees, and assessments in accordance with these Bylaws and who are not suspended shall be members in good standing.

SECTION 4.06 TERMINATION, SUSPENSION AND REINSTATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Causes of Termination. Membership in the Chapter shall be terminated upon occurrence of any of the following: lapse of membership in CAMFT, resignation, non-payment of dues, expulsion, suspension, or loss of eligibility to CAMFT.
- (i) Resignation by a member may occur at any time by submitting his/her resignation in writing to the Chapter and/or state Association. A member who resigns from the state Association automatically loses membership in this Chapter. A member who resigns only from the Chapter still retains membership in the state Association.
- (ii) The effective date of the resignation shall be when the Chapter receives the letter of resignation or at such time as is indicated in the letter.
- (iii) Nonpayment of Dues by anyone whose dues are in default to the Chapter for 30 days can be dropped from membership.
- (b) Expulsion or Suspension. Anyone who has been determined to have violated the ethical standards of C.A.M.F.T. and who has been expelled or suspended from membership in C.A.M.F.T. shall also be expelled or suspended from membership in this Chapter. Any member to be expelled or suspended shall be entitled to at least fifteen (15) days prior notice of the expulsion or suspension and the reasons for such action. Notice may be given by any method reasonably calculated to provide actual notice. Any notice provided by mail shall be given by first-class or
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- (c) Loss of Eligibility: Any member who is no longer eligible for membership due to a loss in the qualifications entitling such person to hold such membership, including an intern member who has become licensed and has not transferred his/her membership to clinical membership at the next annual membership renewal, may be dropped from membership.

SECTION 4.07 TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

A membership or any right arising from membership may not be transferred to another person.

ARTICLE V

SECTION 5.01 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- (a) Annual Meeting of Members: Meeting of members shall be held in January of each year for the purpose of installation of officers unless the Chapter's Board of Directors fix another date and notifies members, as provided in Section (e) of this Article.
- (b) General Membership Meetings: The general membership meetings will be regularly scheduled by the President in consultation with the Chapter's Officers. Special meetings may be called by the President in consultation with the corporation's Board of Directors or shall be called upon by the request of five percent of the voting members of the Chapter.
- (c) Place of Meetings: Meetings shall be held at a location within the area served by the Chapter unless a meeting is held in conjunction with another chapter at another location.
- (d) Recessed or Adjourned Meetings: When a meeting of members is recessed or adjourned to another time or place, the Chapter membership may transact any business that might have been transacted at the original meeting.
- (e) Notice of Meetings: Notice of regularly scheduled general meetings shall be made in writing to members not less than ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

Written notice of any annual or special meetings of members which occurs at a time other than a regularly scheduled general meeting shall be given to each member not less than ten (10) nor more than (90) days before the date of the meeting. When an annual or a special meeting is recessed or adjourned for more than fourteen (14) days, a notice of the recessed or adjourned meeting shall be given as if it were the original meeting.

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Notice of any meeting of members shall be given either personally or by mail or other means of written communication, including newsletter, addressed to a member at the address of such member appearing on the books of the Chapter or given by the member to the Chapter for purpose of notice.

(f) Quorums

A quorum for a meeting of members, whether regular or special, shall be four (4) voting members consisting of Officers of the Chapter and nine (9) Members at Large. If a quorum is present, the vote of the majority of the voting power represented at the meeting that are entitled to vote and their vote on any matter shall be the act of the members. In the absence of a quorum only a meeting consisting of discussions is allowed and no motions or voting will be conducted.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 6.01 POWERS

- (a) General corporate powers. Subject to the provisions and limitations of the California Nonprofit Corporation Law and any other applicable laws, and any limitations of the Articles of Incorporation and of these Bylaws, managed, and all corporate powers shall be exercised, by or under the direction of the Board of Directors.
- (b) Specific Powers. Without prejudices to these general powers, but subject to the same limitations, the Board of Director's shall have the power to:
- (i) Appoint and remove, at the pleasure of the Board, all officers, agents and employees of the corporation; prescribe powers and duties for them that are consistent with law, with the Articles of Incorporation and with these Bylaws; and fix their compensation and require from them security for faithful performance of their duties.
 - (ii) Change the principal office or the principal business office in the State of California from one location to another.

SECTION 6.02 NUMBER AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND RESTRICTIONS ON DIRECTORS

- (a) Authorized number. The authorized number of Board of Directors shall be

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Notice of any meeting of members shall be given either personally or by mail or other means of written communication, including newsletter, addressed to a member at the address of such member appearing on the books of the Chapter or given by the member to the Chapter for purpose of notice.

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SECTION .01 POWERS

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(i) Appoint and remove, at the pleasure of the Board, all officers, agents and

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RESTRICTIONS ON DIRECTORS

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SECTION 6.04 RECORDS

- (a) Corporate Records. The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, at the principal office of the corporation or at a place determined by resolution of the Board, a record of the members of the corporation showing each member's name, address, and class of membership.
- (b) Members' Inspection Rights
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