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PREAMBLE

The main purpose of this organization is to guard the individual rights of all motorcyclists; to keep them informed of laws that will help or hinder them as motorcyclists; to promote safety, brotherhood, and freedom for all motorcyclists.

ARTICLE 1 - OFFICE

1.1 The principal corporate office of Local 28, Freedom of Road Riders, hereinafter referred to as Local 28, a not-for-profit organization, for the transaction of its business shall be in the state of Missouri at an address in the Pulaski County area, in the proximity to Waynesville, MO.

ARTICLE 2 – MEMBERSHIP

- 2.1 Applicants shall be admitted to membership upon making application in writing to FORR, Inc. and by payment of the annual dues as applicable by FORR Inc bylaws.
- 2.2 The FORR, Inc., membership patch and yearly renewal chevrons will (shall) not be worn on the back of any garment.
- 2.3 Local 28 membership patches will (shall) not be worn on the back of any garment. This includes any reference to Local 28 Waynesville MO, or Local 28 FORR. The only FORR or local patches authorized to be worn on the back of any garment are those from a Local Rally, that could not ever be confused as being a MC Color. Anyone wearing a patch of this nature will be asked to have it removed during all FORR activities.
- 2.4 Anyone belonging to a MC club may also join with the Local and be a member of FORR Inc, but will (shall) not wear their club patch or colors at Local 28 or other FORR functions while representing Local 28 in any way.

ARTICLE 3 – LOCAL COMMITTEE OFFICERS

- 3.1 The officers of the local will (shall) be of legal voting age and will (shall) be elected by a simple majority of the members in the local.
- 3.2 The officers of the local shall be;
 - President
 - Vice-President
 - Recording Secretary/ Membership Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Central Committee/Legislative Representative
 - Safety Coordinator
 - Product Line Manager
 - News Letter editor
- 3.3 Officers shall be chosen every year, during an election held during the December local meeting, after nominations have made during the October and November meeting.
- 3.4 Any vacancy of any office caused by death, resignation, or otherwise shall be filled by the approval of the Local's office cabinet for the remainder of the term.
- 3.5 No one wearing or carrying a MC patch, or representing a MC patch-wearing club may hold any officer position within the local. This does not include other Motorcycle Organizations, such as American Motor Cycle Organization; Harley's Owners Group, Goldwing Riders Club, or other not-for-profit organizations.

- 3.6 The President shall be prepared and preside at local meetings, maintaining order and conducting a speedy, efficient, business-like meeting. Shall be ex-officio member of all Local committees. They should acknowledge and welcome new members and guests at the meetings. Overall, they are responsible for the business of the Local.
- 3.7 Vice-president: In the absence of the President, the Vice-president performs the duties of the President. The vice-president is an ex-officio member of all standing committees.
- 3.8 Recording Secretary records (what is done at the meeting, not what is said), and maintains the minutes of the Local meetings. Keeps account of past and present members of the Local. Works together with the treasurer to ensure that New and Renewal memberships get processed as soon as possible. Notifies members by phone or by postcard of local meeting changes or other events. Notifies all members when their memberships are about to expire. Maintains and retains correspondence and Local paperwork as necessary. Performs the duties incident to the office and as requested by the Local.
- 3.9 Treasurer deposits all funds and maintains a record of the income and disbursement of such funds. Issues checks to the Central Committee for new and renewal memberships in a timely manner. Issues check when authorized for Local expenses (receipts are requested for all checks written). Prepares paperwork required by the state Treasurer including submitting ledger sheets monthly to the State Treasurer. Prepares and submits to the CC a balance sheet for a Local fund-raiser & for State Sanctioned events. Maintains records required by the CC.
- 3.10 Central Committee Representative/Legislative Liaison Attends and participates in each Central Committee meeting or arranges for an alternate. Takes CC meeting notes and reports at the next scheduled Local meeting. Vote on the Central Committee as the Local wishes or if necessary how the Local would vote if given the opportunity. Communicates with the Local State Legislative Coordinator, and reports back to the Local membership, encourages members to be registered voters and exercise their rights.
- 3.11 Safety Coordinator Promotes safety, and would be ideal if the person is also a safety instructor and could teach MRC and or BBP classes.
- 3.12 NewsLetter Editor will take the responsibility for writing an article for the newsletter each month. Members who cannot attend a Local meeting can keep up-to-date with the Local happenings by reading the Local's column in the monthly newsletter.
- 3.13 Product Line Manager shall have a list of all products available to the Local, and give all monies and receipts to treasurer. Is responsible for all patches, T-shirts or other materials Local requires for fundraisers, or events.
- 3.14 Local Member should get involved; attend and participate in your Local meetings, volunteer to work at Local sponsored fundraisers, or join one of the many committees in your Local. Offer to help officers with some of their job duties. Conduct yourself in a manner that is not detrimental to FORR. Maintain your membership, and renew your membership when needed.
- 3.15 Never forget that FORR. Local 28 is a Political Action Organization, not a club, gang or a charity organization.

ARTICLE 4 – CENTRAL COMMITTEE

- 4.1 The Central Committee shall meet the second Sunday of every month, at a pre-designated place. The Local CC Rep will know where this meeting will take place. The CC meeting is open for all members to attend, and watch how the CC works. Anyone wishing to attend a meeting should coordinate with the Local CC prior to attending.

ARTICLE 5 – FUNDS

- 5.1 Funds are to be raised through membership dues, contributions, and fundraising activities.
- 5.2 The amount of funds to be retained by the Local from their efforts shall be determined by the Local. The Local shall determine what amount shall be donated to the State Central Committee, and to what fund the monies should be donated.
- 5.3 The Local, by a vote, must approve of any money being spent by the local, except for miscellaneous funds.
- 5.4 There must be 3 people on the bank's signature card; two of these signatures are required on all checks.
- 5.5 No two officers living in the same household may be on the signature card for the checking account.

ARTICLE 6 – ELECTIONS

- 6.1 Elections for new Local officers will be held during the December Local meeting.
- 6.2 All officer positions are held for a one-year term, but individual may be re-elected for the position as long as individual wants to hold the position, is re-nominated and is re-elected.
- 6.3 When a vote for officer position is held, the only people eligible to vote must have been a member for at least one month, and made at least one meeting prior to the vote.
- 6.4 All officer candidates (except for the position of President) must have been a member for at least one year.
- 6.5 The president candidate must have held an Local officer position for a minimum of one year prior to becoming president.
- 6.6 Any member meeting the criteria may be nominated to an officer position during the October or November Local meetings.
- 6.7 Newly elected officers will assume their newly elected positions upon completion of the December Local Meeting.

ARTICLE 7 – MEETINGS

- 7.1 Local Meetings will be held on a monthly basis. The Local will determine the day and time of the month by a majority vote.
- 7.2 There must be at least three Local Officers present to conduct a meeting.
- 7.3 The FORR pre-amble is read at the start of all meeting, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and a brief moment of silence to remember those that have past away.

- 7.4 Officers meeting are held the Wednesday prior to Local meeting, to prepare officers for the meeting, and help organize the meetings.

ARTICLE – 8 SAFETY

- 8.1 Safety is one of the main purposes of FORR and like any organization needs rules to be effective. Nowhere are rules more important than in promoting the safety of its members.
- 8.2 Safety Officer or appointed member (Road Caption) person in charge of any Local 28 motorcycle run, to include any events that Local 28 is in charge of, such as Poker Runs, etc...
- 8.3 Prior to any run, the following information needs to be given to all persons on the run.
- 8.3A. Time of Departure
 - 8.3B. Approximate Mileage
 - 8.3C. Approximate time of return
 - 8.3D Accurate route with stops (poker stops, gas stops). Copies of maps would be very helpful.
- 8.4 While riding with or for the Local, remember you are representing Freedom Of Road Riders, obey all traffic laws.
- 8.5 It is the Safety Officer or Road Caption's responsibility to enforce safety rules on all runs.
- 8.6 Ride in staggered formation, with no bunching up, except in parades, or funeral runs.
- 8.7 During daylight hours, point bike and Tail End bike should have lights on, with working signal lights.
- 8.8 If possible, have a Road Guard bike at intersections, but only if this does not cause a safety risk to the Road Guard or other riders.
- 8.9 No passing any vehicle on the right side during Local runs.
- 8.10 Each member of the Local is overall in charge of all safety. Each member should look out for each other's safety. Note any dangerous road conditions, mechanical conditions.
- 8.11 Any Local member that has been determined by the safety officer or any member to be mechanically or physically unable to ride should be stopped from riding, (by removing the key, spark plugs, etc....) securing the motorcycle, and arrangements made for the rider