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SDFC Life Membership Policy

1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline the criteria and process for awarding Life Membership to individuals who have demonstrated exceptional voluntary service on the Committee of Singleton Defence Families and Community Inc (SDFC Inc).

2. Scope

This policy applies to all current and former Committee members of SDFC Inc.

3. Definition

Life Membership is an honorary status awarded to individuals who have made a significant and sustained contribution to the organisation through voluntary Committee service.

4. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for consideration for Life Membership, the individual must:

- Have served as a volunteer on the Committee of SDFC Inc for a minimum period of 12 consecutive months.
- Have demonstrated commitment, integrity, and dedication in their role.
- Have contributed meaningfully to the mission and objectives of SDFC Inc.

5. Nomination and Approval Process

- Nominations may be submitted by any former or current Committee member in writing to the Chairperson.
- Nominations must detail the nominee's service history and justify why Life Membership should be awarded.
- The Committee will consider nominations at a scheduled meeting and must reach a majority vote to approve the Life Membership.

6. Recognition

Recipients of Life Membership will:

- Be notified in writing.
- Be recognised at an official SDFC Inc function or Annual General Meeting.
- Be added to the official Register of Life Members.

7. Privileges of Life Membership

Life Members will:

- Be invited to attend SDFC Inc functions and Annual General Meetings.
- Be acknowledged publicly for their contribution.

- Be added to the official Register of Life Members.
- Be exempt from paying the annual membership fee.
- Retain non-voting membership status unless re-elected to the Committee.
- Be eligible to pay the financial member rate for events.

Note: Life Membership is extended to the individual only and does not include their family members. If a Life Member wishes to attend an event with family, the Life Member will pay the financial member rate, and family members must pay the non-financial member price.

8. Amendments and Enforcement

8.1. SDFC Inc reserves the right to amend this policy as necessary.

8.2. This policy will be enforced strictly, and no exceptions will be made without prior written approval from the SDFC Inc management.

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