

THE IMPERIAL SOVEREIGN ROSE COURT



PO BOX 4864 PORTLAND, OR 97208

Application for Board of Directors Member-at-Large

I am applying for the title of Member-at-Large

Your Legal Name _____ Stage Name _____

Home Phone (____) _____ Mobile Phone (____) _____

Address _____ City _____, Oregon ZIP _____

Email Address _____ Birth Month _____ Birth Year _____

Emergency Contact: Name _____ Phone _____ Relationship _____

- Be sure to read the requirements of the Member-at-Large titles in the current ISRC Operations Manual and Bylaws documents. These are available on the ISRC web site at www.rosecourt.org
- Please read, complete and initial each requirement below and sign the application before mailing.
- Make sure the application is mailed in time to be postmarked on or before the deadline of Thursday March 1, 2018 All Applications must be mailed; Applications postmarked after Thursday, March 1, 2018 will not be accepted.
- Be sure to include your application fee of \$25 or your application will not be accepted.
- Send to: ISRC Applications, PO Box 4864, Portland, OR 97208.
- Be sure to have valid, State of Oregon identification when you come to interviews
- Qualified applicants will be invited to the interviews which will be held on March 5th, 2018 at The Embers 7:00 PM Location: 110 NW Broadway, Portland, OR 97209
- Voting day will be held before the ISRC Annual Meeting on Sunday March 25th, 2018. Location: 110 NW Broadway, Portland, OR 97209

I am a resident of the State of Oregon in the quad-county area (Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, or Washington County). I will maintain my quad-county residency for the length of my term.

I have attended at least four (4) regular ISRC Board of Directors meetings.

I will make sure the application is mailed in time to be postmarked on or before the deadline of Thursday March 1, 2018

I understand that applications postmarked after Tuesday, Thursday March 1, 2018 will not be accepted.

I am a sustaining member of the ISRC and will keep my sustaining membership active for the length of my term.

I am at least 21 years of age and have valid identification issued by the state of Oregon. (Please be sure to bring valid, State of Oregon issued photo ID to the interviews meeting).

I understand that Interviews will be held on March 5th, 2018 at The Embers at 7:00 PM Location: 110 NW Broadway, Portland, OR 97209

I have read, fully understand and agree to fulfill the responsibilities and duties of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court Board of Directors Member-at-Large as documented in the current Bylaws and Operations Manual. Documents can be found at www.rosecourt.org.

I have not been convicted of sex crimes against minors.

I have included my US \$25 application fee, and recognize that this fee may be non-refundable.

I understand that there is to be no campaigning before Introduction of Candidates on March 15, 2018.

Conflicts of interest statement: Do you sit on a board or act as an agent for any other organization?

No Yes. If yes please list organizations and describe duties: _____

Legal Signature _____ **Date** _____

For official ISRC use only:

Application received by _____ Fee Received by _____

ARTICLE IV -- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. GENERAL

Applicants for the election to the Board of Directors must meet the following minimum qualifications:

1. All applicants must be Sustaining Members of the ISRC;
2. Applicants must have played an active part in the activities of the Portland community, including, but not limited to, the activities of the ISRC, for a minimum of one (1) year immediately preceding their application for candidacy;
3. Applicants must be financially, morally and socially responsible.
4. Applicants cannot be a current ISRC titleholder, as listed: ISRC Imperial Prince Royale or ISRC Imperial Princess Royale; Mr., Ms. or Miss Gay Oregon; Mr., Ms. or Miss Gay Portland; ISRC White Knight or ISRC Debutante or a Member of Parliament and,
5. Applicants/nominees must have attended at least four (4) regularly scheduled monthly ISRC Board meetings within the last twelve (12) months immediately preceding their application for candidacy;

B. MEMBERS

The Board of Directors of the ISRC shall consist of nine or fewer members: Two (2) members from Category A – Reigning Rose Emperor and reigning Rose Empress, three (3) from Category B – Advisory Council, and four (4) from Category C -- Members-at-Large;

1. Category A -- Reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress

The reigning Rose Emperor and Rose Empress shall be members of the Board of Directors representing Category A. In cases where either or both positions are vacant, their positions on the Board shall also remain vacant and the

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requirement for Board of Directors quorum adjusted accordingly.

1. Eligibility and Qualifications

- a. All applicants must have been residents of the Quad-County area for three (3) years immediately preceding their application for candidacy;
- b. All applicants must have been active in the activities of the ISRC for the one (1) year immediately preceding their application for candidacy and have been continuous Sustaining Members for at least one year at the time of their application;
- c. All applicants must have successfully completed one term on the Board of Directors or as a Member of Parliament or successfully completed a title term as White Knight or Debutante; Mr., Miss or Ms. Gay Portland; Mr., Miss or Ms. Gay Oregon or Imperial Prince or Princess Royale;

d. Applicants for the position of Rose Emperor or Rose Empress must submit an application fee of \$100.00 with their application, and said fee will become non-refundable; and,

e. All applicants must have attended at least six (6) regular monthly meetings of the ISRC Board of Directors within the last twelve (12) months prior to applying for position.

2. Application

All applicants must complete the application provided by the Board of Directors within the time prescribed by the Board of Directors;

3. Interview

The Board of Directors and the Advisory Council shall interview all applicants during the annual Coronation/E & E Interview Meeting of the Advisory Council and Board of Directors. All applicants must declare their membership on any other Boards of Directors and said information must be included in the meeting minutes.

4. Disqualification

a. The Board of Directors and the Advisory Council may disqualify any applicant who does not meet the qualifications, or whom they feel is not capable of responsibly carrying out the duties of the Rose Emperor or Rose Empress;

b. No person who has run for the title of Rose Emperor or Rose Empress three (3) times

within the preceding five (5) years (total for either or both offices) may become a candidate for a fourth (4) campaign until after a period of two (2) years (two full campaigns) have elapsed from the time of the third (3) campaign. No person who has run for the title of Rose Emperor and/or Rose Empress (total for either or both offices) five (5) times may become a candidate for a sixth (6) campaign.

c. No person who has ever been publicly recognized as an Emperor or Empress of any realm, including the ISRC, shall be eligible to run for election to the title of Rose Emperor or Rose Empress, unless seven (7) calendar years have passed since they last held the position of Rose Emperor or Rose Empress.

5. Candidacy

a. Applicants shall become candidates upon approval of the Board of Directors and Advisory Council;

b. The Board of Directors shall notify applicants after their interview of their candidacy or disqualification;

c. Withdrawal from candidacy must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors, and shall be irrevocable.

6. Campaign Procedures

a. The Board of Directors shall oversee the campaign and shall ensure that all candidates receive generally equal exposure;

b. No member of the Board of Directors or the current Imperial Prince and Imperial Princess shall publicly support any opposed candidate;

c. There shall be no active campaigning on the part of the candidates prior to their official announcement at the Announcement of Candidates Show;

d. No candidate shall make a garish display of personal wealth.

7. Election

The Rose Emperor and Rose Empress shall be elected by the ISRC at a special election to be held in the month of October, which election is to be published by all reasonable means within no less than thirty (30) days prior to the election:

a. Voting shall be by secret ballot and each ballot must note that the position being voted on includes service

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as a member of the Board of Directors;

b. All candidates shall include information concerning the polling place and voting eligibility, the Court website, along with Coronation details (theme, time, place, admission), in their campaign literature;

c. The election shall be controlled by the Board of Directors, which shall determine the voting procedure;

d. No write-in balloting shall be allowed; Any category of a ballot with write-in will be disqualified;

e. Advisory Council and Sustaining Members shall have the right to absentee ballots once the candidates have been introduced at the Introduction of Candidates Show.

f. The Board of Directors shall select an impartial attorney or CPA to tally the votes. The results of the balloting shall remain secret – known only to the attorney or CPA until made public at the Coronation, except in the event of a tie. The attorney or CPA will notify the President of the Board of Directors that a winner from each category has been selected, without disclosing the names of the winners, at least four (4) days prior to Coronation. In the event of a tie, the attorney or CPA will notify the President of the Board of Directors, stating the category in which the tie exists. Prior to Coronation, the President of the Board of Directors will call an emergency meeting of the Advisory Council and the Board of Directors, where a decision would be made as to the outcome by majority vote of the Advisory Council and the Board of Directors members in attendance. In the event the attorney or CPA has ANY questions or concerns regarding voting including but not limited to vote count, voting process or procedure, inaccuracies or any possible improprieties, the attorney or CPA will notify the President of the Board of Directors at least four (4) days prior to Coronation. The President of the Board of Directors would then call an emergency meeting of the Advisory Council and the Board of Directors where a decision would be made as to how to resolve the concerns; and,

g. The results of the election, including the tally of votes, shall be entered into the minutes of the first Board of Directors meeting following the Coronation.

8. Duties and Responsibilities

The Rose Emperor and Rose Empress shall:

- a. Report Board of Directors activities to the ISRC, and report the activities of the ISRC to the Board of Directors;
- b. Co-chair the Advisory Council;
- c. Co-chair the monthly Court Meeting of the ISRC;
- d. Appoint a joint cabinet from the membership to assist them; and, e. Reign jointly with equal authority.

9. Assumption of Office

The Rose Emperor and Rose Empress shall take office at their Coronation, and begin their service as members of the Board of Directors immediately.

10. Length of Term

The Rose Emperor and Rose Empress shall serve until the succeeding Coronation unless removed from office.

11. Removal

- a. The reigning Rose Emperor or Rose Empress who fails to fulfill their responsibilities as assigned by the Bylaws and/or Board of Directors, or whose conduct seriously damages the ISRC, shall be subject to a referral for recall by a 2/3 majority vote of the Board of Directors and the Advisory Council at a duly convened meeting with quorum present;
- b. A petition signed by a number of General Members of the ISRC equal to 50 percent (fifty percent) of the number of ballots cast in the election in which the Rose Emperor or Rose Empress in question was elected, shall cause the Board of Directors to consider the question of removal of the Rose Emperor or Rose Empress. The Board of Directors shall consider the matter at its next scheduled meeting and, with the Advisory Council, shall vote on the matter prior to submitting the issue to a vote of the General Membership;
- c. The Rose Emperor or Rose Empress in question shall not be entitled to vote on the matter during the meeting, but retain the right to vote as a member of the General Membership if the issue is approved for recall; and,
- d. If recall petition or referral is approved the Board of Directors must call for a special recall election in accordance with the rules governing the election of Rose Emperor or Rose

Empress.

1 All recall election literature shall include information concerning the polling place and voting eligibility and the Court web site;

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2 Voting shall be by secret ballot and each ballot must note that the position being recalled also recalls the individual from service as a member of the Board of Directors;

- 3 The special recall vote shall be a “yes” (recall) or “no” (do not recall) vote;
- 4 There must be at least one more “yes/recall” vote than “no/do not recall” for the recall to succeed;
- 5 The election shall be controlled by the Board of Directors, which shall determine the voting procedure;
- 6 No write-in balloting shall be allowed; Any category of ballot with write-in shall be disqualified;
- 7 No absentee ballots are allowed;
- 8 The Board of Directors shall tally the ballots and make known to the Board of Directors and any Advisory Council, Sustaining or General Members the result of the recall election immediately upon completion of the recall election;
- 9 The Board of Directors shall cause the result (without vote counts) of the recall election to be posted on the ISRC web site if deemed necessary;
- 10 The Board of Directors shall announce the result of the recall election and vote counts at the next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting;
- 11 The result of the recall election and vote counts shall be entered into the minutes of the first Board of Directors meeting following the Coronation;
- 12 The Board of Directors shall notify all Advisory Council members and all Courts of the Imperial Court System of the result of the recall election within 30 days of the Board of Directors meeting following the recall election;

12. Vacancy

In the event of the death, removal, resignation or lack of an approved candidate of the Rose Emperor or the Rose Empress, the Board of Directors and the Advisory Council may appoint a Regent to fill

the unexpired term of office. This Regent shall be from the Advisory Council, and shall retain their original number. Regents may not serve as a member of the Board of Directors unless they have been elected by the General Membership at an election appropriately called.

2. Category B -- Advisory Council

1. Election

a. The Advisory Council shall elect three (3) qualified members from its ranks at its Advisory Council Meeting traditionally held in March each year; and,

b. The three (3) nominees receiving the highest number of votes from the Advisory Council members present at said meeting, shall be declared elected.

2. Assumption of Office

Members elected from the Advisory Council shall take office immediately upon announcement at the annual meeting of the general membership.

3. Length of Term

Members elected from the Advisory Council shall be elected to serve until the next election from the advisory council for one (1) year, and may be re-elected.

4. Removal from Office

A member from the Advisory Council is considered to have resigned upon missing three (3) regular monthly meetings of the Board of Directors within any twelve (12) month period, except for sickness. Further, a member from the Advisory Council may be removed from office by majority vote from a duly called Advisory Council meeting.

5. Vacancy

In the event of death, removal, or resignation of a member elected from the Advisory Council, at a duly called meeting within fourteen (14) calendar days of the vacancy, the Advisory Council shall elect a replacement from the ranks of qualified members of the Advisory Council, who shall complete the unexpired term of the office. In cases where a qualified applicant does not fill a position, that position on the Board of Directors shall remain vacant until a qualified member is elected. During the vacancy the requirement for Board of Directors quorum is adjusted accordingly.

3. Category C – Members-at-Large 1. Eligibility and Qualifications

Members-at-Large must be Sustaining Members at the time of their application and have attended at least four (4) Regular Board of Directors Meetings in the 12 months preceding their application.

2. Application

All applicants must complete the application provided by the Board of Directors within the time prescribed by the

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Board of Directors. Applicants will submit an application fee of \$25 with their application, which is non-refundable.

3. Interview

The Board of Directors and the Advisory Counsel who are present at a special meeting duly convened by the Board of Directors shall interview all applicants. All applicants must declare their membership on any other Boards of Directors and said information must be included in the minutes.

4. Disqualification

The Board of Directors and the Advisory Counsel may disqualify any applicant who does not meet the qualifications as set forth, or whom they feel is not capable of responsibly carrying out the duties of a member of the Board of Directors.

5. Candidacy

- a. Applicants shall become candidates upon approval of the Board of Directors and the Advisory Council;
- b. The Board of Directors shall notify applicants after their interview of their candidacy or disqualification; and,
- c. Withdrawal from candidacy must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors, and shall be irrevocable.

6. Campaign Procedures

- a. The Board of Directors shall oversee the campaign, and shall insure that all candidates receive equal exposure;
- b. No member of the Board of Directors or the current Prince and Princess shall publicly support or not support any candidate;
- c. There shall be no active campaigning on the part of the candidates prior to their official announcement by the Board of Directors;
- d. No candidate shall make a garish display of personal wealth;
- e. All candidates shall include information concerning the polling place and voting eligibility, and the ISRC website address, along with Spring Ball time, place and donation amount in their campaign literature; and,
- f. Where disputes arise during the election, members running for re-election may not vote on issues that directly affect their candidacy.

7. Election

The members-at-large shall be elected by the ISRC General Membership at the Annual Meeting to be held in March, which election is to be published by all reasonable means within no less than thirty

(30) days prior to the election:

- a. The Board of Directors shall determine the voting procedure and shall control the election;
- b. Voting shall be by secret ballot with only Advisory Council and Sustaining Members allowed the right to absentee ballots;
- c. No write-in names shall be counted;
- d. The four (4) candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected;
- e. The Advisory Council members currently serving on the Board of Directors will count votes.

Winner's names will be sealed in an envelope, with the announcement of said winners at the end of the annual meeting; and,

- f. The results of the election, including the tally of votes, shall be entered into the minutes of the first Board of Directors meeting following their election.
- g. Applicants for a position on the Board of Directors may not hold any of the following titles of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court at the time of application: Imperial Prince Royale, Imperial Princess Royale, Mr. Gay

Oregon, Miss Gay Oregon, Ms. Gay Oregon, Mr Gay Portland, Miss Gay Portland, Ms. Gay Portland, White Knight, Debutante or Member of Parliament.

h. If elected to the Board of Directors, for the duration of their term, members of the Board of Directors become ineligible to submit an application for or be approved to be appointed to any of the following titles: Imperial Prince Royale, Imperial Princess Royale, Mr. Gay Oregon, Miss Gay Oregon, Ms. Gay Oregon, Mr Gay Portland, Miss Gay Portland, Ms. Gay Portland, White Knight, Debutante or Member of Parliament.

8. Assumption of Office

Members-at-Large shall take office immediately following their announcement at the annual meeting.

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9. Length of Term

Members-at-Large shall be elected for one (1) year and may be re-elected for up to three consecutive years before being required to take a break of at least ten (10) months prior to applying as an applicant for the Board.

10. Removal

a. A Member-at-Large is considered to have resigned upon missing three (3) regularly scheduled monthly meetings of the Board of Directors within any twelve (12) month period, except for sickness, employment conflict, or extreme circumstances;

b. Any Member-at-Large failing to fulfill his/her responsibilities as assigned by the Board of Directors, or whose conduct seriously damages the ISRC, shall be subject to a referral for recall by a 2/3 majority vote of the Board of Directors at a duly convened meeting with a quorum present;

c. A recall petition signed by one hundred (100) General Members of the ISRC, presented to the Board of Directors, shall cause the Board of Directors to consider calling a special

election of the ISRC, which election is to be published by all reasonable means within no less than thirty (30) days prior to the election. The Board of Directors shall set the special election at the next Regular Board Meeting;

d. The Member-at-Large in question shall not have the right to vote on the petition; and, e. If a recall petition or referral is approved, the Board of Directors must call for a special recall election in accordance with the rules governing the election of At-Large-Members.

11. Vacancy

In the case of death, removal, or resignation of a Board Member-at-Large, the General Membership shall vote on a replacement at the next Regular Board of Directors meeting from among qualified applicants who file an application, pay an application fee, and have met the attendance and membership requirements listed for At-Large-Member applicants

C. OFFICERS

At the first meeting after the annual meeting, the Board of Directors shall elect the following officers, who shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

1. President

- a. Preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors;
- b. Preserve order and decorum;
- c. Appoint members to committees;
- d. Co-sign all checks written on the general checking account; and, e. Serve as an ex officio member of all committees.

2. Vice President

- a. Assist the President as the President may direct;
- b. Preside over Board of Directors meetings in the absence of the President;
- c. Be responsible for the publication and mailing of any and all news releases to the media and/or the community at large and oversee all flyers and programs;
- d. Co-sign checks written on the general checking account in the absence or inability of the President; and,
- e. Coordinate the ordering of trophies and gifts.

3. Treasurer

- a. Be a person capable of being bonded;
- b. Maintain all accounts of the organization;
- c. Deposit all monies received from every source within three (3) business days of receipt; d. Co-sign checks drawn on any checking account, which checks shall be co-signed by the President and/or Vice President;
- e. Maintain a written record of all income and expenditures and make a detailed written report of same to the Board of Directors at each of its regular meeting, or as directed by the President;
- f. Shall present at least two fiscal reports and charity donation reports to the membership and the Board of directors, to include a completed fiscal year financial report to the Board for approval prior to the Annual Meeting, and present that report to the membership at the

Annual Meeting;

- g. Shall be responsible for all Coronation ticket sales and coordinate covering the door at all ISRC functions;

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- h. Shall require all receipts from all shows or expenditures be presented within seven days of the expense;
- i. File all reports and tax statements to the state and federal tax authorities in a timely and orderly fashion; and,
- j. Deliver to a certified public accountant all records, receipts, vouchers and books as may be deemed necessary to fulfill a complete review and/or audit of the ISRC's financial situation and the preparation of tax filings to both the federal and state agencies (Internal Revenue Service Form 990 and Oregon DOJ CT 12) at least annually, as well as deliver a complete financial breakdown/analysis to the Board on a quarterly basis.

4. Secretary

- a. Record written minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors;
- b. Record written minutes of annual meeting and any and all special meetings;
- c. Unless otherwise approved by the Board of Directors, the Secretary must distribute the draft minutes of the regular monthly Board of Directors meetings, ISRC Annual Meeting and any and all special meetings of the Board of Directors at which minutes were recorded to each Board member at least seven (7) days prior to the next Board meeting and publicly distribute minutes approved by the Board of Directors within ten (10) days of approval;
- d. Consolidate all written minutes of all meetings into one monthly file; e. Maintain proper files of the correspondence of the ISRC;
- f. Maintain written record of the President's official activities at the President's direction;
- g. Accept, file and properly distribute any proposed Bylaw amendments;
- h. Fill out and file all documents related to the business of the ISRC, with the exclusion of the Internal Revenue Service annual reports (Form 990) and Oregon DOJ annual filings (CT 12), which will be the responsibility of the Treasurer;
- i. Pursuant to State law, the Secretary is responsible for retention of all permanent records of the corporation including but not limited to membership lists, bank statements, correspondence, minutes and other legal documents;
- j. Keep an accurate record of the members of the organization; and,
- k. Work with the President on developing the agenda for all Board meetings.

5. Sustaining Membership Secretary

- a. Maintain Sustaining membership roster of the ISRC;
- b. Accept, file and process membership applications;
- c. Provide up-to-date membership rosters to the Treasurer and Secretary at every regular Board meeting;
- d. Maintain the Advisory Council mailing list; and, e. Maintain the Past Titleholder mailing database.

Removal

Any Officer of the Board of Directors failing to fulfill his/her responsibilities as assigned by the Board of Directors, or whose conduct seriously damages the ISRC, shall be subject to removal from their Officer position by a 2/3 majority vote of the Board of Directors at a duly convened meeting with a quorum present following a previously published agenda.

D. MEETINGS

The reigning titleholders shall always have the right to attend meetings of the Board of Directors. Current and past titleholders have the right to attend the corresponding title interviews. Reigning Monarchs from Salem and Eugene may attend interview of applicants for Gay Oregon titles only.

1. Regular Monthly Meeting

The Board of Directors shall meet not less than once a month, at a time and place to be determined at the last Board of Director's meeting, and published in the minutes of said meeting.

2. Special Meetings

Special Meetings may be called by the President of the Board or by any three (3) members. In all cases, at least seven (7) days advance notice must be given to all Board members, including the time, place, and major agenda items for said meeting.

3. Annual Meeting

The Board of Directors is responsible for setting, announcing and running the Annual Meeting of the membership.

E. QUORUM

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A quorum shall consist of a majority of the current Board of Directors members, and shall be required to transact any business of the Board of Directors.

F. VOTING

- a. All matters shall be decided by a simple majority vote;
- b. Each member has one (1) vote; and,
- c. Absentee or proxy voting is not allowed at any Board of Directors meeting.

G. DUTIES, POWER AND RESPONSIBILITIES 1. Duties

The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of the Corporation.

2. Powers

The Board of Directors shall have all power to govern the ISRC not specifically retained by the member classes, including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. The power to recognize certain individuals and groups having ideals similar to those of the ISRC, which are not inconsistent with the stated purpose of the ISRC;
- b. The power to rescind "recognition" of any person or group previously recognized;
- c. The power to receive monies and approve disbursements from all financial accounts; d. The power to purchase certificates of deposit, or other saving instruments, to collect interest, and to liquidate said assets;
- e. With the Advisory Council, the power to approve or disqualify applicants for candidacy for the titles of Rose Emperor and Rose Empress and applicants for the position of Board Member-at-Large;
- f. The power to approve or disqualify, along with the Advisory Council, nominees for ISRC Imperial Prince and ISRC Imperial Princess;
- g. The power to bestow the titles of ISRC Imperial Prince; ISRC Imperial Princess; Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Oregon; Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Portland; ISRC White Knight and ISRC Debutante;
- h. With input from the Advisory Council, the power to discipline and/or remove the title of ISRC Imperial Prince; ISRC Imperial Princess; Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Oregon; Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Portland; ISRC White Knight and ISRC Debutante; and Member of Parliament;
- i. The power to remove any Board Member-at-Large with or without cause;
- j. The power to determine the method of selection of the ISRC White Knight and ISRC Debutante;
- k. The power to determine the location of the storage of the crown jewels and Red Book; l. The power, with the Advisory Council Members present at the interviews, to approve or disqualify applicants for Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Oregon; Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Portland; Delegate to Parliament; ISRC White Knight and ISRC Debutante;
- m. The power, with the Advisory Council, to approve or disapprove the Declaration of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress and the Permanent Title of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress;
- n. The power to determine the place and time of all functions;
- o. The power to control the nature of any and all functions of the ISRC;
- p. The power to exclusively and definitively interpret and adjudge any question or dispute, which arises concerning these Bylaws;
- q. The power to determine the beginning, ending, and length of the campaign period for the elections of the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress, Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Portland and the position of Board Member-at-Large, and to control the nature of these campaigns; and,
- r. The power to purchase bonding for the Treasurer in an amount sufficient to protect all assets and to insure any activities or properties controlled by the corporation.

3. Responsibilities

The Board of Directors shall be responsible to:

- a. Handle all business of the ISRC in a manner indicative of sound business practice and consistent with the ISRC's ideals;
 - b. Issue an annual financial report, detailed Coronation financial report and an annual budget at the January meeting of the Board.
 - c. The BOD has the sole responsibility to enter into contracts for the organization;
 - d. Create, supply, and review all applications for Rose Emperor and Rose Empress, Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Oregon; Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Portland, ISRC White Knight and ISRC Debutante and the position of Board Member-at-Large; and,
 - e. Oversee the annual campaigns of the candidates for Rose Emperor and Rose Empress, Mr., Ms. and Miss
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Gay Portland and the position of Board Member-at-Large, and to ensure equal exposure for all candidates as well as the voting for said positions;

4. Conflict of Interest

At Interviews, all applicants must declare their membership on any other Boards of Directors. During the course of their term, Board Members must declare any actual or potential conflicts of interest and may not vote on items, which provide any benefit to other organizations, or companies that they are involved in. All actions which involve organizations where a Director also serves as a member of the second agency or organization Board must be reported on IRS Form 990 as a part of our Annual Report. Board Members not declaring a conflict of interest where one exists may be removed for cause and be barred from future service as a member of the ISRC Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V -- TITLED POSITIONS

The ISRC shall control the following titles: Rose Emperor; Rose Empress; ISRC Imperial Prince; ISRC Imperial Princess; Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Oregon; Mr., Ms. and Miss Gay Portland and ISRC White Knight, ISRC Debutante, and Member of Parliament. There shall be no sharing of titles and each title shall be held by one (1) individual at a time. The method of selection of persons to hold these titles shall be controlled by these Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI -- AMENDMENTS

1. Any proposed amendments to the Bylaws must be presented in writing to the Secretary of the Board of Directors not less than sixty (60) days prior to its regularly scheduled Annual meeting;
2. A summary of each such proposed amendment must be mailed to each Advisory Council and Sustaining Member, and the proposals must be posted on the ISRC website not less than thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting;
3. The Advisory Council and Sustaining Members present at the Annual Meeting shall vote on said proposals at the Annual Meeting;

4. Where the Board has been notified by the State of Oregon that the Bylaws do not comply with State Law, the Board of Directors may amend only that section not in compliance by notifying all Advisory Council and Sustaining Members that the issue will be voted on at the next Regular Meeting, and providing at least fourteen (14) days notice to those members;
5. Approved amendments take effect at the conclusion of the meeting at which they are approved;
6. Any changes to the Bylaws require that the approved Bylaws be submitted to the State of Oregon with our Annual report (CT-12); and,
7. No amendment to these Bylaws shall change the tradition of the ISRC unless required by State of Oregon law.

ARTICLE VII -- DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the ISRC, assets shall be distributed in accordance with the IRS and State of Oregon requirements in force at that time. In no case will assets inure to any private individual or to any organization not recognized as a 501c(3) corporation.

ARTICLE VIII -- MISCELLANEOUS A. FISCAL YEAR

Effective November 1, 2004, the fiscal year of the ISRC is established as November 1st through October 31st, which

reflects the Rose Emperor and Rose Empress reign as Coronation is traditionally held in October.

B. GOVERNANCE

The ISRC shall be governed by the following, in hierarchical order; IRS regulations; State of Oregon Statutes; Articles of Incorporation; the By-Laws of the Imperial Sovereign Rose Court. While other documents may be produced by the organization to help guide decision-making, they are not considered legal documents for the purpose of organizational governance.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THIS 04th Day of June 2012.