Ontario Horticultural Association District 1 Constitution

Article I NAME

The name of the organization shall be Ontario Horticultural Association, District 1, hereinafter referred to as the *District*.

Article II PURPOSE

The purpose of the *District* is to be a link between the Ontario Horticultural Association, hereinafter referred to as the *Association*, and the Societies within the District. To provide leadership and assist in the promotion of education and interest in all areas of horticulture and related environmental issues in the *District*, as defined in the *Association* bylaws. The District supports the development of Societies which are dedicated to the beautification of their communities and the surrounding area, as in Article 36 of the *Agricultural and Horticultural Organizations Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter A.9, hereinafter called the *Act*.

Article III AUTHORITY

Societies in the District are incorporated, and their legal status and direction is governed by the *Act*, and by any revisions as defined in the Statutes of Ontario

Article IV MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the District shall be open to horticultural societies duly incorporated under the Act, and related organizations which support the mission of the Association and are within the geographical boundaries of the District. The classes of membership and their terms of reference shall be as provided in the By-Laws of the District.

Article V ADMINISTRATION

The boundaries of the district and the allocation of societies shall be as provided in the By-Laws of the *Association*. A District Executive shall be elected by the members in accordance with the By-Laws of the *Association*. The terms of reference for election/appointment and the duties to be performed by the District Executive are defined in the By-Laws of the *District* and the *Association*.

Article VI AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended or revoked provided that the changes are approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast at an annual general meeting or special meeting called for that purpose. A notice of motion in writing of such proposed amendment or revocation must be submitted to the District Secretary at least 60 days in advance of the meeting so that all societies may be notified within a period of 50 to 10 days prior to the meeting. Any member of a society within the *District* may submit such a notice of motion.

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| District Secretary or Secretary/Treasurer: | _ |
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