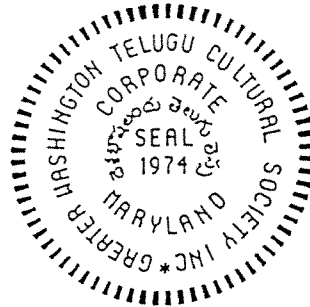


The
Greater Washington
Telugu
Cultural Society

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article 2, section 3

Article One
Organization

1. The name of this organization shall be the Greater Washington Telugu Cultural Society, Inc.
2. The organization shall have a seal in the following form.



3. The organization may at its pleasure, by a vote of the membership body, change its name.

—————End of Article One—————

Article Two

Purposes

The following are the purposes of this organization.

1. Fostering and promoting a greater understanding of Telugu Literary and Cultural Heritage among the residents of the Greater Washington area in general and among the Telugu speaking inhabitants in particular,
2. Receiving and maintaining a fund or funds of real or personal property, or both, and subject to the restrictions and limitations herein set-forth, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom, and the principal thereof, exclusively for propagation of literary and cultural objectives, of the Corporation, and conduct or carry-on any activities permitted to be conducted or carried on by a tax-exempt organization under Sec. 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws in force or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Sec. 170 (c) (2) of said code or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws,
3. Organization of meetings, symposia, and other assemblies to discuss and exchange perspectives on Telugu literature, art, dance, drama, and every manifestation of Telugu exchange,
4. Inviting performing artists from within the United States and abroad, to give benefit performances, to audiences in the United States and promote Cultural Exchanges,
5. Celebration of Ugadi, the Telugu New Year's Day, in an appropriate manner, and such other Telugu Cultural festivals as may be deemed appropriate,
6. Maintaining a circulating Library for the benefit of members and persons interested in the study of Telugu literature, folklore, music, art, dance, handicrafts, etc.,
7. Fostering contacts and promoting cooperation among Telugu Speaking people of the United States and coordinating their efforts with like minded individuals and groups interested in preservation of Telugu heritage and its propagation,
8. Publishing translations of scholarly Telugu language publications for readers not acquainted with Telugu.

—————End of Article Two—————

Article Three

Membership

Membership in this organization shall be open to all persons who speak Telugu Language, who appreciate Telugu language literature and cultural heritage.

—————End of Article Three—————

Article Four

Meetings

The Annual meeting of this organization shall be held on the second Saturday in September of each year, except if such day be a legal holiday, and in that event, the Board of Directors, shall fix a day not more than two weeks from the date fixed by these by-laws. The secretary shall cause to be mailed to every member in good standing, at his address as it appears in that membership roll book of this organization, notice telling the time, date and place of such annual meeting

Regular meetings of this organization shall be held in Maryland-Washington Regional District, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors.

The presence of not less than one-third of the members shall constitute a quorum, and shall be necessary to conduct the business of this organization: but a lesser number may adjourn the meeting for a period of not more than two weeks from the date scheduled by these by-laws, and the Secretary shall cause a notice of this scheduled meeting to be sent to all those members who were not present at the meeting originally called. A quorum as herein before set-forth shall be required at any adjourned meeting.

Special meetings of this organization may be called by the President when he deems it for the best interest of the organization. Notices of such meetings shall be mailed to all members at their addresses as they appear in the membership roll book, at least five, but not more than fifteen days before the scheduled date set for such special meeting. Such notice shall state the reasons that such a meeting has been called for, the business to be transacted, at such meeting, and by who called.

At the request of one-half of all members of the Board of Directors, or one-third of all members of good standing of the organization, the President shall cause a special meeting to be called, but such request must be made in writing, at least twenty-one days before the requested scheduled date.

No other business but that specified in the notice may be transacted at such special meeting without the unanimous consent of all present at such meetings.

—————End of Article Four—————

Article Five

Voting

Members in good standing alone shall be eligible to vote.

At all meetings, except for the election of officers and directors a ballot shall be provided and there shall not appear any place on such ballot, any marking that might tend to indicate the person who cast such a ballot.

At any regular or special meeting, if a majority so requires, any question may be voted upon, in the manner and style provided for election of officers and directors.

At all votes by ballot, the chairman of such meeting shall immediately prior to the commencement of balloting appoint a Committee of three who shall act as Inspectors of Election, and who shall at the conclusion of such balloting certify in writing to the chairman,

the results and the certified copy shall be physically affixed in the minute book to the minutes of that meeting.

No Inspector of any election shall be a candidate for office or shall be personally interested in the question voted upon.

—————End of Article Five—————

Article Six

Order of Business

- Roll Call
- Reading of minutes of the previous meeting
- Reports of Committees
- Reports of Officers
- Old and unfinished Business
- New Business
- Good and Welfare
- Adjournment

—————End of Article Six—————

Article Seven

Board of Directors

The Business of this organization shall be managed by a Board of Directors, consisting of seven members, together with the officers of this organization. At least one of the directors elected be a resident of the State of Maryland and a citizen of the United States.

The directors to be chosen for the ensuing year shall be chosen at the annual meeting of this organization, in the same manner and style as the officers of this organization and they shall serve for a term of one year.

The Board of Directors shall have the control and management of the affairs and business of this organization. Such Board of Directors shall only act in the name of the organization when it shall be regularly convened by its chairman after due notice to all the directors of such meeting.

Five of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum, and the meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held regularly on the second Saturday of every three months. Each director shall have one vote. Such voting may not be done by proxy.

The Board of Directors may make such rules and regulations covering its meeting as it may in its discretion determine necessary.

Vacancies in the Board of Directors shall be filled by a vote of the majority of the remaining members of the Board of Directors, for the balance of the year

The President of the organization, by virtue of his office, shall be the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall select from one of their number, a secretary.

A Director may be removed when sufficient cause exists for such removal. The Board of Directors may entertain charges against any Director. A Director may be represented by counsel at any removal hearing. The Board of Directors shall adopt such rules, as it may in its discretion consider necessary, to be in the best interests of the organization, for this hearing.

—————End of Article Seven—————

Article Eight

Officers

- The Officers of the organization shall be as follows:
- President,
- two Vice Presidents,
- a Secretary,
- and a Treasurer

President

The President shall preside at all membership meetings.

He shall, by virtue of his office, be the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

He shall present, at each annual meeting of the organization, an annual report of the work of the organization.

He shall appoint all committees, temporary or permanent.

He shall see all books, reports, and certificates as required by law, are properly kept or filed.

He shall be one of the officers who may sign the checks or drafts of the organization.

He shall have such powers as may be reasonably construed as belonging to the Chief Executive of any organization.

Vice-President

The Vice President shall, in the event of the absence or inability of the President to exercise his office, become acting President of the organization, with all the rights, privileges, and powers as if he had been the duly elected president.

Secretary

The Secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the organization in appropriate books.

It shall be his duty to file any certificates required by any statute, Federal or State.

He shall give and serve all notices to members of this organization.

He shall be the official custodian of the records and the seal of this organization.

He may be one of the officers required to sign the checks and drafts of the organization.

He shall present to the membership at any meetings, any communication addressed to him as Secretary of the organization.

He shall attend to all correspondence of the organization, and shall exercise all duties incident to the office of the Secretary.

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have the care and custody of all moneys belonging to the organization and shall be solely responsible for such moneys or securities of the organization. He shall cause to be deposited in a regular business Bank or Trust Company a sum of not exceeding \$100 and the balance of the funds of the organization shall be deposited in a savings bank except that the Board of Directors may cause such funds to be invested in such a manner as shall be legal for a savings bank in the state of Maryland.

He must be one of the officers who shall sign checks or drafts of the organization. No special fund may be set aside that shall make it un-necessary for the Treasurer to sign the checks issued upon it.

He shall render at stated periods as the Board of Directors shall determine, a written account of the finances of the organization and such report shall be physically affixed to the minutes of the meeting Board of Directors.

He shall exercise all duties incident to the office of the Treasurer.

Officers shall, by virtue of their office, be members of the Board of Directors.

No officer shall, for reason of the office, be entitled to receive any salary or compensation, but nothing herein shall be construed to prevent an officer or director for receiving any compensation from the organization, for duties other than as a director or officer, or for reimbursement of expenses incurred in the course of the discharge of the duties of his office.

—————End of Article Eight—————

Article Nine

Salaries

The Board of Directors shall hire and fix the compensation of any and all employees which they, in their discretion may determine to be necessary, in the conduct of the business of the organization.

—————End of Article Nine—————

Article Ten

Committees

All committees of this organization shall be appointed by the President and their term of office shall be for a period of one year, or less if sooner terminated by the action of the Board of Directors.

The permanent committees shall be:

- Finance,
- Fine Arts,
- Movies,
- Festivals, and
- Planning and Development

—————End of Article Ten—————

Article Eleven

Dues

The dues of this organization shall be \$3 for individual, \$5 for couple, \$2 for student, per annum, and shall be payable on the first day of August. The membership books shall be closed for one week, after the seventh of August, and before the 15th of August, to determine the standing of members and maintain current membership register.

—————End of Article Eleven—————

Article Twelve

Amendments

These By-Laws may be altered, amended, repealed, or added to, by an affirmative vote, not less than a majority of the members.

—————End of Article Twelve, and The End—————

General Body Meeting,, 1975

Sri T. R. N. Rao - President

General Body Meeting,, 1976

Sri G. V. L. Narasimham - President

A M E N D M E N T S

General Body Meeting, 11 Sep. 1977

Sri Manney Ramana Rao - President
Sri Jagannatha Rao Nibhanupudi - Secretary
Sri Yugandhara Rao Hanumara - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - ?
Resolutions and Amendments

1. Motion to conduct the General Body Meeting and Elections during the intermission of a Telugu Movie, to overcome the difficulties of obtaining the required quorum.

Proposed by: Sri P. Krishna Rao, seconded by: Sri Srikrishna Vadlamudi

Motion accepted by a hand count.

2. Motion to conduct the General Body Meeting in the month of June, instead of September, and to change the fiscal Year from the 1st of July to the 30th of June of the next year.

Proposed by: Sri Srikrishna Vadlamudi, seconded by: Sri Krishna Murthy Virupaksha.

Motion accepted by a hand count.

3. Motion to hold the Annual Election of the Executive Committee by calling for nominations in writing, duly proposed and seconded, and received at least two weeks before the Annual General Body Meeting.

Proposed by: Sri Subbarayudu Jakkampudi, seconded by: Sri Krishna Rao Potarazu

Motion accepted by hand count.

General Body Meeting, 25 June 1978

Sri Jaganmohana Rao Boppana - President
Sri Sarma R. Dorbala - Secretary
Sri Sarangapani Chetluru - Treasurer
Movie Attraction -
Resolutions and Amendments

1. Motion to create a Life Membership with dues of \$116

Proposed by unknown, Seconded by unknown. Accepted by hand count.

2. Motion to participate in the organization of Telugu Associations of North America (TANA), as a member and to cooperate in the activities of that association.

Proposed by unknown, Seconded by unknown. Accepted by hand count.

3. Motion to increase membership dues, to meet the additional expenses due to inflation.

Proposed by unknown, Seconded by unknown. Rejected by hand count.

4. Motion to distribute copies of the Constitution of the association at the General Body Meeting.

Proposed by unknown, Seconded by unknown. Accepted by hand count.

5. Motion to increase membership dues from \$5 to \$7 for family membership and from \$3 to \$4 for individual membership, with the stipulation that the additional funds may be utilized towards the payment of dues for membership in TANA.

Proposed by unknown, Seconded by unknown. Accepted by hand count.

General Body Meeting, 1978-79

Sri James Prasada Rao - President
Srimati Krupakara Rao - Secretary
Sri Kali Prasad Vadlamani - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - ?
Resolutions and Amendments

Information unavailable, (if you have it, pl. contact the current secretary)

General Body Meeting, 1979-80

CHETLURI SARANGAPANI Sri - President
Sri - Secretary
Sri - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - ?
Resolutions and Amendments

Information unavailable, (if you have it, pl. contact the current secretary)

General Body Meeting, 1980-81

* GUMMALURI SASTRY Sri * - President
Sri - Secretary
Sri - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - ?
Resolutions and Amendments

Information unavailable, (if you have it, pl. contact the current secretary)

General Body Meeting, 1981-82

* CUDDAPAH, PRABHAKAR Sri * - President
Sri - Secretary
Sri - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - ?
Resolutions and Amendments

Information unavailable, (if you have it, pl. contact the current secretary)

General Body Meeting, 1982-83

Sri Subbarayudu Jakkampudi - President
Sri Swaminatha Reddy Bandi - Secretary
Sri Rajagopala Rao Koneru - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - సీతాకోక చింత
Resolutions and Amendments

Information unavailable, (if you have it, pl. contact the current secretary)

General Body Meeting, 17 June 1984

Sri Janaki Ram Pothukuchi - President
Sri Prasada Rao Yarlagadda - Secretary
Sri Lakshminarayana Kesari - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - ?
Resolutions and Amendments

1. Motion to increase annual dues to \$10 for family membership and \$6 for single membership.

Proposed by Sri Prasada Rao Yarlagadda, Seconded by Sri Sarma Dorbala.

Motion carried by voice vote.

2. Motion to select delegates to TANA convention, by the General Body.

Proposed by Sri P. R. K. Moorthy, Seconded by Sri Srikrishna Vadlamudi.

Motion carried by voice vote.

General Body Meeting, 30 June 1985

Sri Prasada Rao Yarlagadda - President

Sri Ramana Rao Kolachina - Secretary

Sri John F. Duddey - Treasurer

Movie Attraction - త్రిశూలము

Resolutions and Amendments

1. Motion to preserve continuity in the Board of Directors, by electing three Directors each year, for a two-year term, with three previous directors continuing.

Proposed by Sri Narasimha Reddy Soma,

Seconded by unknown.

After a lot of discussion, motion passed by a majority vote.

2. Motion to preserve continuity in the Executive Committee, by having the immediate past president as a member of the Executive Committee.

Proposed by Sri Narasimha Reddy Soma, seconded by unknown.

After a heated discussion, for and against the motion, calls for withdrawal, attempts at modification, motion carried by a vote of 29-3!

3. Motion to not have two members of the same family on the Board of Directors.

Proposed by Sri Subbarayudu Jakkampudi, seconded by unknown.

Motion carried by a vote of 26-11.

General Body Meeting, June 1986

Sri Srikrishna Vadlamudi - President

Sri Ramesh Prasad Ravella - Secretary

Sri Muralidhara Rao Tadavarthy - Treasurer

Movie Attraction - అప్పుచేసి పప్పుకూడు

Resolutions and Amendments: None.

General Body Meeting, 21 June 1987

Sri Sarma Tallapragada - President

Sri J. S. Prasad - Secretary

Sri Muralidhara Rao Tadavarthy - Treasurer

Movie Attraction - ఈడూ-జోడూ

Resolutions and Amendments: None.

General Body Meeting, 19 June 1988

Sri Ramesh Prasad Ravella - President
Sri Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri - Secretary
Sri Muralidhara Rao Tadavarthy - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - కాలం మారంది

Resolutions and Amendments

1. Motion to institute a Life Membership for \$116, half of which amount to be refunded when the Life Membership is relinquished.

Proposed by Sri Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, Seconded by Sri Ramesh Prasad Ravella
Motion approved by 12-0.

General Body Meeting, 18 June 1989

Sri J. S. Prasad - President
Sri Rama Moorthy Gandikota - Secretary
Sri Muralidhara Rao Tadavarthy - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - విచిత్ర బంధము

Meeting adjourned for lack of quorum. Reconvened on ...
Resolutions and Amendments: None.

General Body Meeting, 2 June, 1990

Sri Bhaskar Ganti - President
Sri Chandrasekhar Kadiyala - Secretary
Sri Venkata Ramana Akunuri - Treasurer
Movie Attraction - సామ్రాజ్యకాండ-పోకాండ

Resolutions and Amendments: None.

General Body Meeting, 1991

Sri Sreeramamurthy Ankem - President
Sri Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri - Secretary
Sri Prasada Rao Pratapa - Treasurer (Initial)
Sri Koteswara Rao Valluripalli - Treasurer (Final)
Movie Attraction -

Resolutions and Amendments: None

General Body Meeting, 1992

Sri Sattiraju Surya Prasad - President
Sri Prakash Rao Kollaram - Secretary
Sri Koteswara Rao Valluripalli - Treasurer
Movie Attraction -

Resolutions and Amendments: Plenty!, but!

General Body Meeting, 12 June 1993
Srimathi Asha Jyothi Madala - President
Sri Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri - Secretary
Sri Babu Uppaluri - Treasurer
Movie Attraction -
Resolutions and Amendments:

The term of the membership for the Greater Washington Telugu Cultural Society shall be from the 1st of January to the 31st of December of each year.

*Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown
Discussed and Accepted*

In order to implement the above resolution, the membership period for the coming term shall be changed to last until December 31st, 1994.

*Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown.
Discussed and Accepted*

The term for Office bearers elected in the General Body Meeting shall be from the 1st of August of the current year to the 31st of July of the next year.

*Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown.
Discussed and Accepted*

An interim Treasurer's report shall be published in the NewsLetter, along with the request for nominations.

*Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown.
Discussed and Withdrawn*

Guidelines for the use of the Reserve fund shall be in written form.

*Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown.
Discussed and Accepted*

The quorum requirement for the General Body Meeting be reduced from the present one-third to a more manageable one-fifth of the membership of the Society.

*Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown.
Discussed and Accepted*

The requirement that a movie shall be screened, to attract a large attendance at the Meeting be relaxed, to include any form of entertainment.

*Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown.
Discussed and Rejected¹*

GWTCs shall continue to remain as a member in the Telugu Associations of North America (TANA).

*Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown.
Discussed and Undecided!²*

¹ This was the sure-thing, you could have bet your first born on this, and you lost!

² At this point, I am not clear as to the fate of this resolution. Consider it withdrawn.

Resolutions shall be permitted to be introduced from the floor in a GBM.

Proposed by Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by unknown.

Discussed and Rejected

Election of Office Bearers should be held in the month of January, starting from 1995, with the 93-94 Office Bearers continuing until then on an adhoc basis.

Not introduced for discussion, as Srimathi Asha Jyothi Madala, who originally sent the resolution was absent at the meeting.

A new category - Honorary Member shall be crated.

Proposed by Jagadish P. Ravella, seconded by unknown.

Discussed and Accepted

In the absence of nominations from members in good standing for a position, the GBM may accept the nomination of a non-member, and require membership within 30 days, if elected.

Proposed by Jagadish P. Ravella, seconded by unknown.

Discussed and Accepted

General Body Meeting, 17 July 1994

Sri Jagadish Ravella - President

Sri Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri - Secretary

Sri Babu Uppaluri - Treasurer

Movie Attraction - దేవుడు చేసిన పెళ్ళి

Resolutions and Amendments:

1. Motion to accept resolutions from floor of General Body meeting.

Proposed by Sri Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by - NONE -

Motion approved/rejected by _____

2. Motion to relax the movie screening requirement at the General Body Meeting

Proposed by Sri Ramakrishna S. Pillalamarri, seconded by - NONE -

Motion approved/rejected by _____

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General Body Meeting, July 15, 1995

Srimathi Jayaprada Devi Valluripalli - President

Sri Srinagesh Nallamothu - Secretary

Sri Charles Akula - Treasurer

Movie Attraction - Rajeswari Kalyanam
(First time in 35mm. Shown at Greenbelt Theater)

Resolutions and Amendments:

1. Motion to increase the membership fees (annual dues), from the calendar year 1996, as given below. Proposed by the GWTCs Executive Committee and seconded by Koteswara Rao Valluripalli and many other members.

Motion discussed and accepted.

Students	\$6.00 (no change)
Single	\$10.00
Couple	\$15.00
Family	\$20.00

2. Motion to increase the Life Membership fees from \$116 to \$150. Proposed by Smt. Jayaprada Devi Valluripalli and seconded by Sri Charles Akula.

Motion discussed and accepted.

3. Motion to have any form of entertainment, instead of movies only, during the yearly general body meeting, at the discretion of the Executive Committee. Proposed by Sri Vijaymohan Karyampudi and seconded by Sri Sreenagesh Nallamothu.

Motion discussed and accepted.

General Body Meeting of GWTCs on 6/29/96

President: Dr. Sukadev Lavu

Treasurer: Mr. Charles Akula

President Elect: Mr. Harnath Reddy Chadve

Movie (35mm): SUBHAMASTU

The General Body meeting was started with a report of accomplishments by the PRESIDENT and the Treasurer presented his annual account statement.

The following resolutions were passed by the GB at its General Body meeting to be incorporated into the BY-Laws of the constitution, held on 6/29/96.

1. To withdraw funds from the GWTCs non-operating accounts (Reserve funds and CDs), at least 9 executive committee members has to agree for the temporary withdrawal of funds with the undertaking by the President, that those borrowed funds will be reimbursed before the end of their term.
2. To become GWTCs President, he or she is required to serve on the GWTCs executive committee for at least one year.
3. It is required that a WALK-A-THON be held at the annual GWTCs Picnic, to raise funds for charity purposes.

Newly elected office bearers were introduced to the general body and unfilled vacancies were filled unanimously by the general body.

General Body Meeting, July 18, 2004

Mr. Lakshminarayana Kukkala-- President
Nagender Madavaram--Secretary
Sivakumar Tadikonda-- Tresurer

Movie Played: Lakshminarasimha

Resolutions and Amendments:

1. Resolution to amend By--Laws of Article Eight & latest Amendments to change term of Elected Officials to Calendar Year: The term of Office Bearers (Officers: President, Two Vice presidents, Secretary, Treasure) elected in this General body meeting shall be from 1ST January to 31ST December starting from calendar year 2006. But the Office Bearers elected during the General Body meeting (7/18/2004) shall be from 1ST August 2004 to 31ST December 2005. Similarly the term of newly elected Board of directors in this General body meeting will be extended to 31ST December 2006 and the present Board of Directors, whose term expires on 31ST July 2005, shall be extended to 31ST 2005.

2. General body meeting shall be conducted during JULY / AUGUST of every year, starting 2005.

3. Add New Resolution to the By--Laws Article Eight:

The Federal and State taxes if needed shall be prepared and signed by the administration (Treasurer and president) in the following year with in the time limits immediately after completion of their term in the calendar year. They may use the professional services if required for preparation of taxes.