THE GREATER ST. LOUIS DAYLILY SOCIETY, INC. (ORGANIZED SEPTEMBER, 1960)

BYLAWS - AS ADOPTED OCTOBER 1992 Last Revised – April 2011

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the corporation is:

"THE GREATER ST. LOUIS DAYLILY SOCIETY".

ARTICLE II. OBJECTIVES

THE GREATER ST. LOUIS DAYLILY SOCIETY, a cultural, not-for-profit corporation has been formed for the purpose of:

- A. Exchanging information concerning the culture and breeding of the daylily (HEMEROCALLIS).
- B. Making the public more aware of the daylily and its culture through publicity, shows, lectures, exhibits, and tours.
- C. Carrying on locally, the work of the AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY, a not-for-profit and 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization.

All the above objectives conform to the express activities allowed under 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Service Tax Code.

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS

Meetings shall be as follows:

- A. There shall be at least four membership meetings per year to be held in March, April, September, and October; exact dates to be set by the Board of Directors.
- B. A quorum shall consist of a minimum of:
 - (1) either three officers or six Board of Directors; and
 - (2) 25% of the Society membership.
- C. An annual Board of Directors meeting shall be called by the President annually prior to the first membership meeting. Additional board meetings may be called at any other time the President deems necessary.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERS

Anyone interested in the study of the daylily (HEMEROCALLIS) may join upon payment of dues as outlined below:

- A. Dues for the following year will be reviewed by the Board at their annual Board meeting and will be payable in October for the coming year. Any changes will be brought to the membership for a vote.
- B. Any regular member who has not paid the required annual dues by the end of the first membership meeting for that calendar year shall be dropped from the roster of active members. Membership will be reinstated when and if the dues are paid.
- C. A lifetime member who has not attended any regular membership meeting for one calendar year shall be placed on an inactive membership list and will continue to receive GSLDS news. Said members will become active upon the attendance of any regular membership meeting.
- D. All members of The Greater St. Louis Daylily Society shall be urged to join THE AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY.

ARTICLE V. GOVERNMENT

The governing body of the Society shall be known as the Board of Directors. Members of the Board shall be the elected officers; the immediate past president; and six elected members serving staggered two year terms - three new members elected each year.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Officers of the Society shall be: PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, and TREASURER. Term of office, starting JAN. 1st, shall be two years, with elections held at the annual membership meeting in October of even numbered years.

Section 1. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- A. A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President at least one month before the October meeting each year.
- B. The Nominating Committee shall prepare a slate of Officers and three new Board Members on even numbered years and three Board Members only on odd numbered years, having previously obtained their consent to serve. Each year there will be three Board Members retiring and three new Board Members elected to serve. A current Board Member, other than officers, shall not be nominated to serve a consecutive term. Nominations may also be made from the floor. If there are no other candidates, the membership may request the Secretary to cast a ballot for the slate.
- C. In case of a vacancy in any office or Board position other than the Presidency, the President may appoint another member to serve out the vacated term.

Section 2. DUTIES

A. PRESIDENT

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and the Board of Directors. The President shall appoint all Standing Committee Chairmen and shall also act as spokesman for the Society.

B. VICE-PRESIDENT

The Vice-President shall preside at any meetings in the absence of the President; shall automatically become President in case of inability of the President to complete an elected term. The Vice-President shall be responsible for all regularly scheduled meeting programs. A general outline shall be presented at the annual Board Meeting.

C. SECRETARY

The Secretary shall take minutes of all meetings of the Society and the Board and report those minutes as called for by the President. The Secretary shall act as correspondent for the Society as directed by the President. The Secretary shall prepare and mail member meeting notices and shall be custodian of all meeting records and correspondence.

D. TREASURER

The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected and have custody of Society funds; shall pay bills as authorized by the Board; shall report at all member meetings; provide a written report at the annual Board meeting for the use of the President and the Board; shall send a dues notice to all members who have not paid by January 1 each year. The Treasurer shall serve as Chairman of the Finance Committee and shall be responsible for the annual Corporation renewal.

ARTICLE VII. STANDING COMMITTEES - DUTIES

The President shall appoint a Chairman for each Standing Committee. In consultation with each Chairman, two or more members shall also be appointed to serve on each Committee.

A. FINANCE

The Treasurer shall serve as Chairman of the Finance Committee as appointed by the President. Duties of the Finance Committee shall be to manage ways and means of monetary security for the Society and preparation of an annual budget for presentation to the Board at their annual Board meeting.

B. AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee shall consist of a Chairman and two additional members appointed by the President. None of these may be officers of the Society. As soon as possible after the Annual membership meeting in October, the Audit Committee shall audit all financial transactions of the Society.

C. HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

The Hospitality Committee will consist of a Chairman who will appoint a minimum of two additional members. This committee will be responsible for welcoming members and guests to all regular and special meetings of the Society and is responsible for arranging for refreshments at regular membership meetings. A budget for refreshments and supplies will be submitted to the President for Board approval.

D. SOCIETY REPORTER

The principal duty of the Society Reporter, appointed by the President, is to report Society activities or notices to the Regional Newsletter Editor.

E. EXHIBITIONS AND PLANT SALE COMMITTEE

This committee shall consist of a Chairman who shall appoint a minimum of two additional members. They will be responsible for staging exhibitions, arranging and organizing plant sales. A budget shall be submitted to the President for Board approval.

F. AUCTION COMMITTEE

The auction committee shall consist of a Chairman who will appoint a minimum of two additional members. They will determine what plants are desirable and the best way to purchase them. They shall be in charge of the auction. A budget shall be submitted to the President for Board approval.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended at a regular meeting by two-thirds majority of those present, provided the proposed amendment has first been approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX. AUTHORITY

The rules contained in ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER REVISED shall govern the Society in all cases to which they are applicable.

ARTICLE X. DISSOLUTION OF SOCIETY

In the event The Greater St. Louis Daylily Society should dissolve, the assets of the Society shall be donated in the following manner:

- A. 25% of funds to Region 11, American Hemerocallis Society (AHS).
- B. 75% of funds to National Society of AHS (8/20/76).