

**BY-LAWS  
OF THE  
RUTHERFORD IRISH AMERICAN  
ASSOCIATION**

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ARTICLE I:

The name of this organization shall be the RUTHERFORD IRISH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION (hereinafter referred to as the "Association") and is composed of individuals having a common interest in Irish heritage and culture.

ARTICLE II:

The purpose of this Association will be charitable within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code and more particularly,

- (a) To promote the knowledge of Irish history through cultural and educational enrichment programs;



- (b) To provide scholarships and educational endowments to local secondary school programs;
- (c) To make charitable donations through local community social service organizations;
- (d) To support other community organizations whose purposes are similar to those of the Association;
- (e) To promote a yearly St. Patrick's Day Celebration and Parade for the Borough of Rutherford, Bergen County, New Jersey;

ARTICLE III:

(a) A member is any person 21 years of age or older, who has been approved for membership by unanimous vote of those members of the Board of Trustees present at the meeting at which the application was considered. An 'active member' is hereinafter defined as one that is current on all dues, and is otherwise in good standing and not subject to any disciplinary action by the Association.

(b) Regular membership shall be open to persons of Irish birth or ancestry, as well as spouses of regular members.

(c) Associate membership shall be open to persons who have an interest in Irish history and culture, but are not Irish by birth or ancestry

(d) An Associate member may be converted to Regular membership after having been an active member in good standing for a period of at least two years, is a person of such outstanding



accomplishments, as are deemed worthy of this honor by nomination and unanimous vote of those members of the Board of Trustees present at the meeting at which such person is considered.

ARTICLE IV:

Each member shall pay a yearly dues. The amount of this dues shall be decided by the Board of Trustees. The general membership shall be notified of the amount by October 31st of the preceding year. The dues shall be payable by January 1st of each year.

ARTICLE V:

(a) The Recording Secretary shall submit to the Board of Trustees the name of any member who fails to pay indebtedness due this Association within thirty (30) days after receipt from the Secretary of written notice thereof. The Board shall thereafter decide whether the member shall be dropped or retained on the roster.

(b) Any member may be expelled from the Association for cause by unanimous vote of those members of the Board of Trustees present at the meeting at which such expulsion is considered.

ARTICLE VI:

The officers shall be:

President  
Vice President  
Recording Secretary



