

**CONSTITUTION**  
**Of**  
**Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association of Tampa Bay**

(As amended in January 2004 upon instructions from the Phi Beta Kappa Society in order to meet the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code for non-profit status for the Society and the Association.) (As further amended by approval at the Membership meeting on October 28, 2008, and then approved by Phi Beta Kappa Senate in December 2008)

Article 1. **NAME:** This Society is a constituent member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, an unincorporated association (hereinafter, "Phi Beta Kappa Society"), or its successor-in-interest, and shall be known as the Delta Association of Florida or as the Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association of Tampa Bay.

Article 2. **PURPOSE:** This Association is under the general supervision and control of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. The object of this Association shall be the union of the members of Phi Beta Kappa in such region as may be defined in its bylaws, with a view to the promotion of scholarship, friendship, and cultural interests.

Article 3. **MEMBERS:** Every member of Phi Beta Kappa of whatever chapter resident in said region shall be regarded as eligible for membership and, in so far as addresses are known and it is practicable, should be notified at least once every two years of his or her eligibility. No person not a member of Phi Beta Kappa may be elected to membership.

Article 4. **MEETINGS:** At Least one meeting shall be held each year. Meetings should reflect the objectives of the Phi Beta Kappa Society; namely friendship, morality, and the love of learning.

Article 5. **THE COUNCIL:** A delegate or, if the membership of the Association is 200 or more, two delegates, may be sent to represent the Association at each meeting of the Council of Phi Beta Kappa, provided that the Association is accredited by the senate as an active association; this is, as duly chartered and having at least twenty-five members in good standing, at least one meeting each year, and fees to the Phi Beta Kappa Society fully paid, and as having acted in harmony with the laws, requirements and ideals of Phi Beta Kappa.

Article 6. **FEES:** This Association shall contribute such equitable share to the financial support of the Phi Beta Kappa Society and shall be entitled to receive such publications and services as the Senate may from time to time determine.

Article 7. **NONPROFIT STATUS:** The Association is organized and is to be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code &501(c)(3) (references herein to the Internal Revenue Code, hereinafter "IRC," include the corresponding section(s) of any future United States tax code).

No part of the net earnings of this Association shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its directors, officers, members, trustees, or other private persons, except that the Association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth herein. No substantial part of the activities of the Association shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision herein, the Association shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under IRC&501(c)(3), or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under IRC &&170(c)(2), 2055(a)2) or 2522(a)(2).

Article 8. **BYLAWS:** Provisions shall be made by bylaws for the election of officers, notification of members, conduct of meetings, and such other matters as may be deemed proper or may be required by the Phi Beta Kappa Society; provided that such bylaws shall contain nothing inconsistent with this Constitution or with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, and that they and all later amendments shall not become effective until approved by the Senate.

Article 9. **AMENDMENTS:** This Constitution may be amended by a 2/3 vote of members present at any called or scheduled meeting, provided that the membership receives notification of the proposed change at least two weeks prior to the meeting, and provided that the changes are further approved by the Senate.