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ARTICLE 1

Article 1 - The Grand President shall appoint the Chairperson of the Deputy Program from among the Central Council Members. The Chairperson shall oversee the Deputy Program and shall appoint all Branch Deputies and District Deputies.

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Article 1 - The Grand President shall appoint the Chairperson of the Branch **Mentor** Program from among the Central Council members. The Chairperson shall oversee the Branch **Mentor** Program. The **Branch Mentor Program Chair** shall **appoint all District Mentors** with the recommendation of the District President and District Council and **appoint all Branch Mentors in consultation with the District Mentor**.

Article 2 - The representative of the Central Council in each Branch shall be known as Branch Deputy. The District Deputies shall coordinate the activities of the Branch Deputies in his/her District. The District Deputies shall report directly to the Chairperson of the Deputy Program.

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Article 2 - The **representatives** of the Central Council in each Branch shall be known as Branch Mentors. The District Mentors shall coordinate the activities of the Branch Mentors in his/her District. The District Mentors shall report directly to the Chairperson of the Mentor Program.

Article 3 - Branch Deputies will submit monthly reports on the activities in the Branch to the District Deputy, who in turn will submit quarterly summarized reports to the Chairperson of the Deputy Program. Urgent matters shall be reported immediately.

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Article 3 - Branch Mentors will submit monthly reports on the activities and condition of the Branch to the District **Mentor**, who in turn will submit quarterly ~~summarized~~ reports to the Chairperson of the Mentor Program. Urgent matters shall be reported immediately.

Article 4 - The Chairperson of the Deputy Program will meet with the District and Branch Deputy on a regional basis every two [2] years, or sooner when deemed necessary, with approval of the Executive Committee.

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Article 4 - The Chairperson of the **Branch Mentor** Program will meet with the District ~~Deputy's~~ **Mentors on a** quarterly basis by mail, phone or at **the** annual Convention.

Article 5 - The District Deputy shall be an ex-officio voting member of his/her District Council, shall be given recognition with a distinctive insignia and be given honors due Central Council Members.

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Article 5 - The District **Mentor** shall be an ex-officio voting member of his/her District Council, shall be given recognition with a distinctive insignia and be given honors due Central Council Members.

Article 6 - Both District and Branch Deputies shall remain in office for two (2) year or until his/her successor has been appointed. All Deputies are subject to removal at any time by the Chairperson of the Deputy Program or the Grand President.

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Article 6 - District Mentors shall remain in office for a maximum of a seven (7) year term and Branch Mentors four (4) year terms with **an assigned** Branch or until his/her successor has been appointed. All District Mentors and Branch Mentors are subject to removal at any time by the Chairperson of the **Branch Mentor** Program or the Grand President.

Article 7 - Branch Deputies shall (1) attend the monthly meetings of the Branch, (2) do all in their power to see that the Branch under their jurisdiction maintains the spirit of the Federation, (3) settle difficulties within their assigned Branch only, (4) be responsible for instructing and installing new Branch officers but may yield this responsibility to the District Deputy or a Central Council Member, (5) shall execute the directives of the Central Council or Executive Committee whether conveyed directly or through the Chair of the Deputy Program, (6) shall have the right to a distinctive insignia and receive the honor due a Central Council Member and (7) shall be a voting member of the District Council.

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Article 7 - Branch Mentors shall (1) attend the monthly meeting of **the** Branch they are assigned, (2) do all in their power to see that the Branch under their **mentorship** maintains the Catholic spirit of the Italian Catholic Federation and its by-laws, (3) **settle** difficulties within their assigned Branch, (4) be responsible for instructing and training Branch officers of their **duties** , explaining the charities **and** benefits that the Italian Catholic Federation has to offer, (5) installing new branch officers **and initiating** new **members** but may yield this responsibility to the District **Mentor** or a Central Council Member, (6) shall execute the directives of the Central Council or Executive Committee whether conveyed directly or through the Chair of the **Mentor** Program, (7) shall have the right to a distinctive insignia and receive the honor due a Central Council Member and (8) shall be a voting member of the District Council.

Article 8 - A. - The interpretation, decisions and settlements of the Branch Deputy are binding on the Branch, subject to appeal.

B. - Appeals by the Branch, on the ruling of the Branch Deputy, must be made in writing to the Executive Committee. Until the Executive Committee rules on the appeal the decision of the Branch Deputy will remain in effect.

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Article 8 - A. - The interpretation, decisions and settlements of the Branch Mentor through the Mentor **Program** Chairperson are binding on the Branch, subject to appeal.

B. - Appeals by the Branch, on the Ruling of the Branch Mentor, must be made in writing to the Executive Committee. Until the Executive Committee rules on the appeal the decision of the Branch Mentor will remain in effect