**ARTICLE I**

ORGANIZATION NAME

SECTION 101: The name of this organization shall be Peterson Squadron at Iowa State University. Our namesake is in honor and recognition of Major Delbert R. Peterson, an Air Force officer who received his commission through Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) here at Iowa State in 1962. Soon after, he became an air commando pilot, responsible for piloting aircraft at low altitudes in hostile territory in order to lay down surgical fire to protect troops on the ground. During a close air support mission on March 9, 1966 his aircraft was shot down by North Vietnamese ground fire. Quickly after, he and his crewmates repelled several attacks by North Vietnamese troops on their downed position. In order to subdue enemy fire long enough for a rescue helicopter to recover his surviving crew mates, he selflessly charged and fought the enemy, with no regard for his safety, and provided enough time for his crew mates to escape and survive. His body was never recovered, and he was listed as Missing in Action. He was listed as Missing in Action until 1978, when his status was changed to Killed in Action. He was posthumously awarded the Air Force Cross. His valor, sacrifice, and commitment embody our values and beliefs as Peterson Squadron.

**ARTICLE II**

PURPOSE

SECTION 201: Our mission is to Develop Quality Leaders for the Air Force and we accomplish this through an integrated training program combining academics, physical fitness, and character development. The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) has a strong tradition at Iowa State as it stood up its first cadet corps in January of 1949. Since then, we have called the Armory building our home. Peterson Squadron has produced countless top-notch leaders who have made a difference in the world we live in today.

**ARTICLE III**

 STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

SECTION 301: Peterson Squadron abides by and supports established Iowa State University policies, State and Federal Laws and follows local ordinances and regulations. Peterson Squadron agrees to annually complete President’s and Treasurer’s Training.

**ARTICLE IV**

NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

SECTION 401: Iowa State University and Peterson Squadron do not discriminate on the basis of genetic information, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, race, ethnicity, sex, color, religion, national origin, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or status as a U.S. Veteran.

**ARTICLE V**

 MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 501: Membership shall be open to registered students in good standing at Iowa State University or an approved cross-town school. Membership in Peterson Squadron is implied with entrance into AFROTC unless denied in writing. To remain in good standing with Peterson Squadron, each member must volunteer a minimum of five hours a semester with Peterson Squadron. If this requirement is not met, the individual cadet will not be a member of Peterson Squadron for approximately one following semester.

**ARTICLE VI**

OFFICERS

SECTION 601: Officer Duties and Term of Service

1. President: The President shall serve one semester. They shall select the officers not selected by the Adviser. In addition, they shall lead club meetings and lead the club.
2. Vice President: The Vice President shall serve one semester. They shall serve alongside the President and advise them. In addition, they shall take all roles of the President should they leave or not be present for any meetings.
3. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall serve one semester. They shall be responsible for all club monies. They are answerable to the President and held accountable by him or her.
4. Inspector General: The Inspector General is responsible for risk management. They shall do the following: help minimize potential risks for club activities, recommend risk management policies or procedures, submit documentation to ISU’s Risk Management Office and ensure that proper waivers and background checks are on file with Risk Management for events. They shall also be responsible for maintaining by-laws. They shall serve one semester and be selected by either the Adviser or the President.
5. Adviser: The Adviser will serve for the duration of their time as AFROTC detachment commander. They shall advise club leadership and be primary selector for club leadership positions.
6. Additional Offices: These shall be made at the discretion of the President. They will be answerable to the President for their duties. Their term shall be one academic semester. If the position holder leaves office for any reason, a new position holder shall be selected, and their term shall expire when the previous position holder’s term would have ended.

SECTION 602: Method of selection or election of officers

The President will be selected by the club Adviser. The Adviser may then select other positions as needed. The President will then have the duty to fill in the rest of the positions as needed. Selections will be made once a semester

SECTION 603: Date for selection or election of officers

The date of selection shall be before finals week of the term. The new positions will take office immediately.

SECTION 604: Impeachment/Removal of officers

The impeachment of an officer shall not be allowed. If an officer is deemed unfit for service, they shall be removed by the Adviser. This shall occur if an officer is removed first from the AFROTC program.

SECTION 605: Replacement of officers

Should an officer leave office for any reason, the President will select a new officer to carry out the term. The new officer shall serve out the remaining term of the one who just left office.

SECTION 606: Officer requirements

1. Be in good standing with the university and enrolled: at least half time (six or more credit hours), if an undergraduate student (unless fewer credits are required to graduate in the spring and fall semesters) during the term of office, and at least half time (four or more credits), if a graduate level student (unless fewer credits are required in the final stages of their degree as defined by the Continuous Registration Requirement) during their term of office.
2. Have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) as stated below and meet that minimum GPA in the semester immediately prior to the election/appointment, the semester of election/appointment and semesters during the term of office. For undergraduate, graduate, and professional students, the minimum GPA is 2.00. In order for this provision to be met, at least six hours (half-time credits) must have been taken for the semester under consideration.
3. Be ineligible to hold an office should the student fail to maintain the requirements as prescribed in (A) and (B).

**ARTICLE VII**

ADVISER

SECTION 701: Adviser Duties

The adviser shall guide and monitor Peterson Squadron activities. The Adviser is the ultimate authority in all matters, due to their position as AFROTC detachment commander.

SECTION 702: Method of election/selection of adviser

The Adviser shall be the AFROTC detachment commander.

SECTION 703: Adviser(s) Term of Service

The Adviser shall serve until he or she is no longer the AFROTC detachment commander.

SECTION 704: Impeachment/Removal of Advisers

The Adviser may not be impeached, as that is counter to the military environment the club is attempting to replicate.

SECTION 705: Replacement of Advisers

Should an Adviser leave, they will be replaced by the next AFROTC detachment commander.

**ARTICLE VIII**

FINANCES

SECTION 801: Money handling

The Treasurer shall handle all monies in the manner that Iowa State University states in their mandatory treasurer training.

SECTION 802: Money depositing

All monies belonging to this organization shall be deposited and disbursed through a bank account established for this organization at the Campus Organizations Accounting Office and/or approved institution/office (must receive authorization via Campus Organizations Accounting Office). All funds must be deposited within 48 hours after collection. The Adviser to this organization must approve and sign each expenditure before payment.

SECTION 803: Dues

Money will be fundraised for Peterson Squadron through fundraising events. These activities include working football game parking in the fall, as well as working basketball game concessions in the winter/spring. Peterson Squadron members are required to work one of each of these fundraising events.

SECTION 804: Club Dissolution

Should Peterson Squadron be dissolved, all funds shall be dispersed among the members evenly if possible.

**ARTICLE IX**

AMENDMENTS

SECTION 901: Ratification

This Constitution shall be ratified by a 2/3 vote of the club officers.

SECTION 902: Amending

This Constitution may be amended or set aside by a 2/3 vote of the club officers.

SECTION 903: Updating

This Constitution, should it be updated after recognition, shall be submitted to the Student Activities Center within a week of the change.

**ARTICLE X**

By-Laws

SECTION 1001: Policy Packet

The General Assembly shall be held to the standards of the Semesterly Policy Packet. This document will be published in plain view of all membership. All membership must sign this document at the beginning of the semester, consenting to the laws. This document shall be published by the Inspector General within two weeks of the beginning of the semester and approved by the President and Adviser.