PBLC #1 FMF Navy Personnel

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To: MODD Kennel Bylaws Committee

Subj: PROPOSED KENNEL BYLAWS CHANGE FOR 2024, MODD CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IV:

MEMBERSHIP

Current Verbiage:

A. All Officers and enlisted personnel on honorable active duty with the U. S. Marine Corps (USMC) and all Officers and enlisted personnel honorably separated from the USMC who are bona fide, paid-up, active members of the MCL, and all qualified Navy personnel shall be eligible for consideration for and election to membership in the MODD.

- B. The MODD supports the MCL decision of 2001 to authorize qualified Fleet Marine Force (FMF) corpsmen to be regular members of the MCL. Thus, qualified FMF corpsmen members shall enjoy the same rights and benefits as other regular members of the MCL.
- C. The MODD supports the MCL's decision of 2013 to authorize qualified FMF chaplains to be regular members of the MCL. Thus, qualified FMF chaplain members shall enjoy the same rights and benefits as other regular members of the MCL.

Proposed Verbiage:

A. Only Regular Members of the MCL in good standing are eligible for membership in the MODD. Associate and Honorary MCL members are not eligible.

B. Potential candidates must have at least 12 months of membership in the MCL and be in good standing to be eligible for consideration for and election to membership in the MODD. Additional membership requirements are listed in Article I of the Kennel bylaws.

Rationale:

Combining subsections A, B, and C simplifies Article IV of the MODD Constitution, and brings the MODD in line with current (and future) MCL regular membership requirements.

Semper Woof,

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