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Dear Sir/Madam,

THE DEBATERS ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA INC. – A0026584G

Rules of an Incorporated Association

I refer to the recent documentation lodged with Consumer Affairs Victoria (CAV) in respect of the own rules adopted by the above association which is incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* (the Act).

Consumer Affairs Victoria has accepted the lodgement of the documentation.

Schedule 1 of the Act requires that 23 matters must be provided for in the rules of an incorporated association. Schedule 4 of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Regulations 2012* provides the Model Rules that include the 23 matters.

If an association has adopted its own rules and does not include one or more of the 23 matters in their own rules, section 48 (3) of the Act deems that the Model Rules are taken to be included in the own rules of the association.

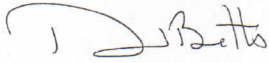
CAV notes that the following matters are missing from your association's own rules and therefore the Model Rules are deemed to be included in your association's rules. This letter provides the missing matter(s) and the Model Rule(s) and will form part of your association's own rules. Please advise your members that your association's rules must be read in conjunction with this letter and the following Model Rule(s).

- The procedures for the appointment and removal of the secretary of the incorporated association. *(Please see the Model Rules (rules 49-52 and 55(3)) which can be found on our website)*
- The Statement of Purposes must be part of your rules. *(Please see the Model Rules (rule 2) which can be found on our website)*

It is also noted that under Section 46 of the Act, the rules of an incorporated association constitute the terms of a contract between the incorporated association and its members. Therefore, matters concerning the rules are for the incorporated association and its members to consider.

For further information, please visit the rules guidance on our website at www.consumer.vic.gov.au/iarules

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Betts". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a stylized "B".

General Manager
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