Articles of Organization Quilters' Connection

- n.b. The Articles of Organization is a legal document filed with the Secretary of State, in Boston. According to Ass't Sec'y of State, Hung Goon [April, 2000], to change the following <u>Articles</u> requires a simple majority vote a of the <u>entire</u> membership, filing the change with the Commonwealth, and a fee, currently \$15. The By-laws, which follow, is not a legal document nor filed with the Commonwealth, but an internal one that can be changed as stated in Article 6 below.
- I. The <u>name</u> of the organization shall be QUILTERS' CONNECTION, INC.
- II. The <u>purpose</u> of this organization shall be to encourage and develop the art and craft of quilting.
- III. The <u>membership</u> shall be open to all who are interested in the art and craft of quilting. Four categories of membership exist:
 - A. Regular members.
 - B. Associate members,
 - C. International members,
 - D. Student members
- IV. QUILTERS' CONNECTION shall be governed by an Executive Board and overseen by a Board of Directors.
 - A. No Officers or Board members of the QUILTERS' CONNECTION, Inc. shall receive remuneration for serving on said Boards, as complies with Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

V. QUORUM

- A. A quorum at any General meeting shall consist of 20% of the membership.
- B. A quorum of the Executive Board and the Board of Directors shall consist of a majority of their members.
- VI. The By Laws of QUILTERS' CONNECTION may be <u>amended</u> by a 2/3 vote of members present and voting at a meeting, provided that the proposed amendment has been read at a previous meeting, or provided that members have been otherwise notified.
- VII. <u>Dissolution of QUILTERS' CONNECTION, INC.</u> Upon dissolution of the QUILTERS' CONNECTION, Inc., the Executive Board shall dispose of all assets of the Connection in such manner, or to such organizations operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes as shall qualify at the time as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.