MVLS Governance Committee Draft proposed bylaws amendment March 19, 2025

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Updated Proposed new Article III section

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