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NOTICE OF MOTION

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CURRENT WORDING (if applicable):

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RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

Currently, the Bylaw outlines a process for nominations for Life Members, requiring them to be submitted 30 days prior to June 1st and requiring the endorsement of four Members. The date is no longer relevant as the fiscal year end and date of the Annual Meeting have changed. The Hockey Alberta Board has a policy in place that outlines the criteria to be considered when reviewing potential Life Members. As a result of this, a Bylaw that stipulates the extensive process of obtaining Membership support to submit a candidate is too restrictive and has the potential to reduce the amount of deserving candidates being put forth.

Changing this Bylaw will allow the Policy to continue to guide the process and will provide more flexibility in how and when candidates are brought forth to the Board for consideration. Use the link below to access more information regarding the process of awarding Life Memberships.

<https://www.hockeyalberta.ca/about-hockey-alberta/board/>