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SAIL CANADA Resolution to World Sailing AGM, November 3, 2019  
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WHEREAS: Sail Canada considers that the WS Governance Revised Reform Proposal of September 20, 2019 has not had proper CONSULTATION on certain key issues (list indicative only, not exhaustive); for example roles and responsibilities of Olympic Commission and Participation and Development Council, and allocation of WS scarce resources; role of Nominations Panel and three independent persons in recommending nominations to the Board for two independent board members, Committee and Sub-committee members, Disciplinary Tribunal members; powers and responsibilities of the Board, etc;

WHEREAS: Sail Canada considers some good improvements have been included in the WS Governance Revised Reform Proposal in the last few months and consider that a further six months of proper CONSULTATION would further develop a consensus on the key issues;

RESOLVE: Sail Canada resolves that World Sailing extend the period of proper and full CONSULTATION to discuss key issues and develop a consensus in six (6) months to the World Sailing mid year meeting May 2020 for Council approval and twelve (12) months to the World Sailing AGM at the November meeting for approval and ratification by the MNAs.

THEREFORE: Sail Canada proposes to the AGM that any motion to implement the proposed Revised Reform for the Governance of World Sailing be deferred for further consultation to the WS mid year meeting, in London in May 2020 and approved and ratified by the MNAs at the WS AGM in November 2020

Regards,  
Todd Irving  
President, Sail Canada

### The following is a Resolution in Support of Submission 003-19

WHEREAS World Sailing has not adopted the Governance Proposal as presented to the AGM by the Board and the Special Commission on Governance;

WHEREAS Sail Canada and US Sailing see value in many aspects of the initial proposal, but agree that some more time and study is needed to understand the implications of some of the proposed changes;

WHEREAS Sail Canada and US Sailing wish to ensure that two specific aspects of the initial proposal are indeed incorporated into the existing Constitution at this time;

And WHEREAS Sail Canada and US Sailing wish to not lose the good work done to date by the Governance Commission and the Board;

BE IT RESOLVED

1. That current Article 32(a)(ii) of the Constitution be amended as follows in order to stagger the terms of the Vice-Presidents:  
32 (a) (ii) ~~the seven Vice-Presidents~~ three (3) Vice-Presidents in the year the President is elected, and 4 Vice-Presidents at the mid-point of the President's term. [note - in 2020 3 VPs will be elected to a 4-year term and 4 VPs will be elected to a 2-year term which shall not count as a term when considering term limits.]
2. That current Article 64 be amended as follows in order to add another Athlete and create gender equity for the athletes:  
64 The directors of the Federation shall consist of the President, the seven Vice-Presidents (at least two of whom shall be of each gender), the Chairman of the Athletes' Commission and a second athlete selected by the Athletes' Commission (to ensure that there is one athlete of each gender).
3. That current Article 65 be amended as follows in order to support the concept of staggered terms:  
65 The directors shall be elected at a General Assembly. ~~And shall hold office until the election of their successors at the next Ordinary General Assembly and shall be eligible for re-election save as provided in Article 73.~~ Three (3) Vice-Presidents shall be elected at the same time as the President, while the remaining four (4) Vice-Presidents shall be elected at the mid-year of the President's term of office (2-years off-set). The second Athlete selected by the Athletes' Commission shall serve a 4-year term off-set by two years from the Chair. The President shall have a Casting Vote in the event of a tie vote of the Board. [The note regarding 2020 election found in the amendment to Article 32 (a) (ii) shall apply to the Athletes' Commission members of the Board of Directors, as well.]
4. That current Article 73 be replaced by Governance Proposal Article 25.2.
5. That the remaining sections of the Governance Proposal be referred back to the Board to set up a more complete review process with the goal of having a fully vetted proposal and constitution by February 2021, for approval in November of 2021 and full implementation by 2022.

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WHEREAS Sail Canada and US Sailing wish to ensure that the Proposal Process of the initial proposal is indeed incorporated into the existing Constitution at this time;

And WHEREAS Sail Canada and US Sailing wish to not lose the good work done to date by the Governance Commission and the Board;

**BE IT RESOLVED**

1. That current Regulation 15 be deleted as it relates to the “Submission Process”, and that a new set of Regulations as proposed by the Governance Review Commission and the Board of Directors as it pertains to the new “Proposal Process” be inserted into Regulation 15.

Reporting Committee – (World Sailing use only)

Other Committee – (World Sailing use only)

Submission: **000-**

## **DEFER CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS**

A submission from the **HUNGARIAN YACHTING ASSOCIATION**  
to the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019**

### **Purpose or Objective**

To ensure appropriate opportunities for comprehensive and open discussions leading to a consensus in face to face meetings of WS AGM, Council, MNAs and members of WS Committees and sub-committees on all changes presented in the Governance Commission Proposal to reform the Governance of World Sailing.

### **Proposal**

- a) **delay approvals of the revised Governance Proposal and the corresponding Constitution and Regulations amendments to the 2021 November Annual Conference;**
- b) **begin the process of implementation of the approved changes to the governance structure in 2022, with the aim of completing the process, or the approved first phase of the process, by the Annual Conference in November 2022**

### **Current Position**

The Board and the "Governance Commission" urge the decision-making process on the topic. On page 41 of the Governance Proposal, according to section 5.3, Vote "(a) it is proposed to have one vote on a whole new constitution rather than to amend the existing one.

### **Reasons**

1. The WS Governance Revised Reform Proposal of September 20, 2019, is a very comprehensive document recommending key changes in detail in 8 key areas. By providing structured opportunities for open face to face discussions and consensus building on improvements or further adjustments by WS, the Board, the expert committees, Council, and MNAs over the next 18 months, this delayed process of 2 years will better address the objectives of the Governance Review and enable a more studied resolution of the details at every level.
2. The Governance Commission Proposal is very large and complex. It has had limited input from involved sailors and MNAs through directed outcome meetings based on single readings of abbreviated presentations and personal communications. The proposal may have useful ideas but it first must be studied and the consequences reviewed by a larger panel, and it must be reviewed more formally by all MNAs.  
(for example roles and responsibilities of Olympic Commission and Participation and Development Council, allocation of WS scarce resources; role of Nominations Panel and three independent persons in recommending nominations to the Board for two independent board members, Committee and Sub-committee members, Disciplinary Tribunal members; powers and responsibilities of the Board, etc;)



3. The Board, with the advice of the Governance Commission should propose the optimum process for full face to face discussions, approvals and implementation and any improvements to the timing set out above.



