ARTICLE 17 – MISCELLANEOUS

17.1 Effect of State Law Changes (Severability)

If any portion of these Bylaws shall be determined by a final judicial decision to be, or as a result of a change in the law of the State of California become, illegal, invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of these Bylaws shall continue in full force and effect.

17.2 Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of Pacific Swimming is from September 1 until August 31 of the following year.

17.3 Tax Status; Interpretations of Bylaws

It is intended that Pacific Swimming shall have and continue to have the status of an organization which is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code and to which contributions, bequests and gifts are deductible for federal income, estate and gift tax purposes under Sections 170 (c)(2), 2055(a)(2) and 2522(a)(2) of the IRS Code, respectively. Similarly, it is intended that Pacific Swimming shall have that or similar status under the applicable state and local laws, as will exempt it from taxation to the maximum extent possible, to the extent not contrary to applicable federal requirements. These Bylaws shall be interpreted accordingly.