

Ancaster Horticultural Society

CONSTITUTION

Article 1 **NAME**

The name of the organization shall be the Ancaster Horticultural Society, hereinafter referred to as the Society.

Article II **AUTHORITY**

The *Agricultural and Horticultural Organizations Act* (hereinafter called the *Act*) is the legislation that provides legal status and direction for agricultural societies, horticultural societies and agricultural associations in the province of Ontario. The proper name of the Act is the *Agricultural and Horticultural Organizations Act*, R.S.O. 1990, chapter A.9

Article III **MISSION**

The mission of the Society is to share knowledge and encourage interest in all areas of horticulture and related environmental issues, as outlined in Article 36 of the *Act*. Most specifically, its mission is to beautify the Ancaster community.

Article IV **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in the Society shall be open to all individuals interested in supporting the Society's mission.

Article V **ORGANIZATION**

The Society shall function as a non-profit organization dedicated to carrying out its mission without purposes of gain, and any profits or other accretions shall be used in promoting its mission.

Article VI **ADMINISTRATION**

The Society shall manage its affairs with the assistance of elected Officers and other Executive Members. The Terms of reference for election and the duties to be performed shall be provided in the By-Laws.

Article VII **AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION**

The Constitution may be amended or revoked by three-fourths of the members present at an Annual General Meeting of the members, provided that: (1) a notice of motion in writing of such proposed amendment or revocation has been given at the previous annual meeting OR (2) the Secretary is notified in writing of the proposed changes in time to notify all members at least 60 days before the next annual meeting.