

CANADIAN HELLENIC CONGRESS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE OF CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Dear Members and Provincial Organizations

The National Council has directed me to inform and invite you take part at the Canadian Hellenic Congress (CHC) November 2022 National Convention. The National Convention will be held on Sunday November 27, 2022.

Both the Conference and Annual General Meeting will be conducted via electronic means. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in the morning of Sunday, November 27, 2022, and the Conference in the afternoon.

The AGM will start at 10:30 a.m. and end at 1:30 p.m. It will be held via electronic means. The AGM Notice and Agenda is attached to these communications as **Appendix A.**

This year marks the 40th Anniversary of the Congress in the service of Hellenism. It is fitting then the afternoon session of the Convention (Conference) will be focusing on the CHC Advocacy and the Challenges for the coming years. The session will start at 2:00 pm to 4:00 p.m.

Only regular paid-up members are entitled to have delegates to the Convention. If your membership has expired you must pay up your current membership fees and any arrears that you have outstanding, no later than October 1, 2022.

Former members, including provincial organizations, who have lost membership status due to their non-participation and non-payment of their membership fees for a period of at least (3) three years are not recognized nor have any rights to be engaged in the business of the AGM must apply to be reinstated and acquire membership rights.

Any former member, including a provincial organization, who wishes to be reinstated to full membership status must apply to the National Council on or before **September 1, 2022.**

The application, which it could be in a form of a letter, addressed to the Secretary of the Congress, chc@chcongress.ca must be accompanied by a **certified Board Resolution** signed by all the directors of the Former Member, in which it states that it freely desires to rejoin the Congress, the Former Member recognizes and acknowledges that the Congress as the National Canadian Hellenic institution and accepts, recognizes and adheres to the Constitution of 2016, as amended, as the principal governing document, and accepts and recognizes the current officers and directors as constituted following the 2019 National Council elections.

Pays the current and all past dues to the Congress

Complies with the membership requirements as set out in Article 9 of the Constitution. (<https://chcnews.org/docs/chcbylaws2016.pdf>)

In accordance with the **Reinstatement Membership Policy**, the National Council is authorized to review and decide on the former member's application for reinstatement.

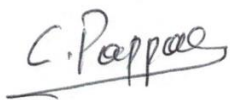
Non-members can participate at the Convention but will not have the right to vote but may speak at the AGM with the consent of the registered delegates.

The Governance Committee has initiated a review of the current bylaws. If your organization has any proposal to make changes to the bylaws, please submit your changes to George Manios, Committee Chair. For further information on this matter, contact the Chair at georgemanios@gmail.com, or tel. 647-216-3264 by October 1, 2022.

Delegates who wish to be elected to the National Council, must complete, and submit a Nomination Form via email to the Chair of the Nominations Committee on or before Saturday, November 26, 2022. Completed Nominations forms must be sent to George Manios at georgemanios@gmail.com

If you have any questions, or inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,



Costas Pappas
Vice-President, Administration and Secretary

June 20, 2022

APPENDIX A

CANADIAN HELLENIC CONGRESS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND AGENDA

NOTICE is hereby given that the *Annual General Meeting* of the National Assembly of the Canadian Hellenic Congress will be held on Sunday, November 27, 2022, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. via electronic means.

The Secretary will provide each registered delegate with the relevant information to participate at the electronic meeting a week before the fixed time and date.

The order of business of the *Annual General Meeting* will be as follows:

1. Constitution of Meeting
2. Election of Speaker
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
4. Report of President
5. Report of the Executive Vice-President
6. Report of the Treasurer
7. Report of the Secretary
8. Report of the Regional Vice-Presidents
 - a. Atlantic Region
 - b. Ontario Region
 - c. Quebec Region
 - d. Western and Pacific Region
9. Committee Reports
 - a. Hellenic Genocide Committee
 - b. Macedonian Committee
10. Governance Committee Report and Consideration and Confirmation of changes to the bylaws, if any.
11. Audit Committee Report
12. Appointment of Audit Committee
13. Report of the Nominations Committee and National Council Elections
14. Policy Resolutions
15. Other Business
16. Adjournment

The Congress bylaws stipulate that only Members who have paid their membership fees in full are in good standing and are entitled to have delegate representation to the Annual General Meeting.

Members, including provincial organizations, who have not paid their current and past membership dues, must do so immediately and in any event must communicate with the Secretary and arrange for payment of dues. This must be done by no later than October 1, 2022.

There will be a registration fee of \$20.00 for each delegate participate via electronic means and voting. For the non-delegates, the registration fee will be \$25.00.

Members either on their own or through their provincial organizations are required to select their delegates and/or alternates and submit their names plus registrations fees to the Secretary no later than **November 18, 2022**.

Delegates who wish to be elected to the National Council, must complete, and submit a Nomination Form via email to the Chair of the Nominations Committee on or before Saturday, November 26, 2022. Completed Nominations forms must be sent to the Nominations Committee Chair, George Manios at georgemanios@gmail.com

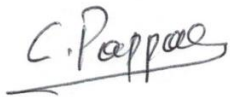
Nomination and Delegate Registration Forms are set out in **Appendix B** and **C**, attached to this Notice and Agenda.

The number of delegates each province is entitled to have at the Annual General Meeting is set out in **Schedule A**, attached to this Notice and Agenda.

Any documents required to be provided to the Members, will be send by the Secretary thirty days (30) prior to the date of the meeting.

This notice and agenda are issued under the authority of section 2, Article 16 of the Constitution.

By Order of the National Council.



Costas Pappas
Vice-President, Administration and Secretary
June 20, 2022

CANADIAN HELLENIC CONGRESS
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ANNUAL MEETING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2022
SCHEDULE A

DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT

Pursuant to Section 3, Article 16 of the Constitution

PROVINCES	NUMBER OF DELEGATES
Atlantic Canada	5
ALBERTA	5
BC	10
MANITOBA	3
ONTARIO	42
QUEBEC	32
SASKATCHEWAN	3

In accordance with the provisions of section 4, Article 16 of the Constitution, each recognized provincial organization (congress) is required to select and appoint delegates and/or alternates to the 2022 AGM.

As per section 8, Article 21 of the Constitution current directors are automatically delegates to the November 2022 Convention and must be included in the count of the total number of delegates from the province or region from which they emanate.

By a decision of the National Council, the members and/or provincial organizations must submit their delegates and/or alternates and the registration fees by November 1, 2022.

APPENDIX B

NOMINATION FORM

CANADIAN HELLENIC CONGRESS

NATIONAL COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM, CANDIDATE CONSENT AND DECLARATION

Sunday, November 27, 2022, National Council Elections

CANDIDATE:

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

CANDIDATE'S CONSENT, ACCEPTANCE and OFFICE DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, hereby consent and accept the nomination for election to the National Council. I certify that I am eligible to serve as councilor and I am not otherwise disqualified from holding office.

If elected, I hereby consent to act as councilor, such consent to continue in effect until revoked by notice of writing to the Secretary of the Congress, or otherwise, as provided by the Constitution.

Having elected to the office of councilor I hereby declare that I will truly, faithfully and impartially exercise and serve the office of councilor to the best of my knowledge and ability and free from any biased, corrupt or in any other improper manner, avoid and disclose any pecuniary interest direct or indirect, in accordance with the policies and to abide by the Constitution and the Act.

Candidate's Signature: _____

Date: _____

APPENDIX C

<p style="text-align: center;">CANADIAN HELLENIC CONGRESS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NATIONAL ASSEMBLY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANNUAL CONVENTION AND CONFERENCE ON CHC ADVOCACY AND CHALLENGES, ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND BOARD ELECTIONS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">November 27, 2022</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM</p>
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PLEASE PRINT

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Organization: _____

Position held in organization: _____

Address of organization: _____

Website: _____

DELEGATE CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: _____

Work phone: _____

Home phone: _____

Fax No. _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Registration Fees: \$20 for Each Delegate. Make cheque payable to: **Canadian Hellenic Congress.**

PLEASE NOTE: Completed Delegate Registration form together with payment of fees must be submitted on or before **November 18, 2022, to the Secretary.**