# ALABAMA ASSOCIATION OF HOUSING & REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES

# CONSTITUTION

# **ARTICLE I**

Alabama Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities (hereinafter called the" Association"), whose principal office shall be the office of the current President of the Association.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

To foster and promote the interest of Low-Rent Public Housing, Slum Clearance, Urban Redevelopment and Urban Renewal in the State of Alabama.

To provide a clearing house for the exchange of ideas and experience toward a more complete understanding of the problems of public housing, slum clearance, urban redevelopment and urban renewal in Alabama.

To work for improvement in administrative practices and policies relative to planning, construction and management of programs of low-rent public housing, slum clearance, urban redevelopment and urban renewal in the State of Alabama.

To work for a more complete and efficient working relationship and cooperation between Local Housing and Redevelopment Authorities of Alabama, and the departments and agencies of the Federal Government.

To recommend and promote Federal and State Legislation which will provide a decent, safe and sanitary living environment for all families.

## **ARTICLE II**

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Any regularly and legally constituted Housing Authority or Community Development Agency in the State of Alabama, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Alabama, shall be eligible for membership in the Association.

In addition, affiliated individuals, organizations, corporations, or companies with legitimate business Interests related to the purpose and/or activities of the Association may apply for membership. Applications for affiliate membership must be approved by the Executive Committee prior to acceptance. The benefits of affiliate membership will include:

- 1. Listing and description of affiliate member's services/products on the AAHRA website;
- 2. Link to affiliate member's website (if applicable) on the AAHRA website;
- 3. Eligibility to register for AAHRA training and events;
- 4. Advance notice of opportunities to exhibit services/products.

## **ARTICLE III**

#### MEETINGS

The Association shall hold an annual membership meeting each year at a time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may call special membership meetings of the Association as deemed necessary or helpful and shall call such meetings upon request of five or more active members, The purposes of any special meeting shall be stated in the notice of such meeting, which notice shall be delivered to each member of the Association not less than ten days prior to the date

of such meeting.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **OFFICERS**

The Officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and a Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE V**

#### **DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the Association shall be composed of: President, Vice-President, and five members; one of whom shall be the Immediate Past President, elected by the membership of the Association biennially at the annual meeting of the Association.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### <u>DUES</u>

The annual dues for regular membership and associated membership in the Association shall be set by the membership at the annual meeting of the Association and may be changed from time to time as may be necessary, by affirmative vote of the majority of the members present at the annual meeting; provided due notice in change of dues has been published to the members at least ten days prior to the annual meeting.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

#### **SEAL**

The "Seal" of the Alabama Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities shall be circular in shape and shall bear the wording" Alabama Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities 1940: 1940 being the date of the organization of the Association.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### AMENDMENTS

The Constitution of the Association may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the membership present at any meeting of the Association, provided notice of proposed amendment shall be delivered to the membership of the Association at least ten days prior to the annual meeting.

Amended 08/30/2006 Annual Meeting. Amended 08/27/2008 Annual Meeting. Amended 06/29/2011 Annual Meeting.