AMENDED AND RESTATED BY-LAWS OF THE COLORADO MOUNTAIN CLUB DENVER GROUP'S BOBCATS SECTION

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ARTICLE I: NAME AND AUTHORITY

<u>Part 1. Name.</u> The name of this organization shall be the Bobcats, a Section of the Denver Group of the Colorado Mountain Club, referred to herein as the "Section."

<u>Part 2. Authority.</u> The Section has been organized and exists under the authority granted by Article IX, Section 2, of the Bylaws of the Denver Group, herein referred to as the "Group," and the Group's Section Policy. The CMC will be herein referred to as the "Club."

<u>Part 3. Relationship to the Club and Group.</u> The Section accepts and agrees with the bylaws, operating policies, and purposes of the Club and the Group.

<u>Part 4. The Bobcats are a Limited Purpose Section</u> as defined in Denver Group's Section Policy 3.e, adopted September 2019. The Denver Group Council may approve a Section intended for activity coordination/ organization and mailing list purposes only but said Section shall be non-exclusive and open to all members. No annual dues may be collected but special event fees (e.g., for picnics and similar events) may be charged in order to cover costs.

<u>Part 5. Mission.</u> The Bobcats' mission is to ensure a variety of challenging CMC trips, mostly on weekdays, all year long, for our mostly age 40+ constituents.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

<u>Part 1. Active Membership.</u> To become a member of the Bobcats and receive the section mailings, contact the CMC office.

<u>Part 2. Suspension and Expulsion</u>. A Member may be suspended or expelled in accordance with Denver Group's Section Policy and Policy on Exclusion.

ARTICLE III: SECTION FINANCES. In accordance with the Group's Section Policy, this Section does not charge dues but may charge fees in connection with Section activities.

ARTICLE IV: BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

<u>Part 1. Board of Directors</u>. The Section's governing committee members (the "Board") shall have supervision, control, and direction of the affairs of the Section, shall determine its policies within the limits of the bylaws, shall actively pursue its purposes and shall have discretion in the disbursements of its funds for those purposes

<u>Part 2. Size.</u> The Board should be composed of at least five (5) members.

<u>Part 3. Officers</u>. The Officers shall be elected annually by the Board at its Annual Board Meeting. Board members may hold more than one office and more than one member may hold a single office.

<u>Part 4. Chair.</u> The Chair shall be the principal Officer of the Section, shall provide notice of all meetings and preside at all meetings, and shall provide the Section's Annual Report. The Chair or the Treasurer shall approve all requests for payments on a form provided by the Club. The Chair should be an experienced Bobcats trip leader.

<u>Part 5. Treasurer.</u> The Treasurer shall monitor the accounting of all monies received and expended for the use of the Section. The Treasurer (or the Chair) shall approve all requests for payments on a form provided by the Club. No individual is entitled to approve their own request for payment. Prior to the end of the fiscal year, the Treasurer shall provide the Denver Group Council with the Section's annual budget request. The Treasurer shall provide an annual financial report at the Annual Board meeting with a copy to the Denver Group Council, and as called upon by the Chair. The funds, books and vouchers in the Treasurer's possession shall be subject to verification and inspection by the Board.

<u>Part 6. Secretary.</u> It shall be the Secretary's duties to keep a record of all proceedings and provide minutes to the Board and others, to attest documents, and to perform such other duties as are usual or as may be assigned to the office. Should the Secretary be unable to attend any meeting, the Chair thereof shall designate another attending member to record the proceedings. The Secretary shall ensure all minutes, amended bylaws, and annual statistical reports are uploaded to the Bobcats Section's Denver Group webpage.

<u>Part 7. Trip Leader Manager.</u> The Trip Leader Manager shall be responsible for communicating best practices, Section policies, and related matters with Section

leaders, plus perform such other activities as may be appropriate to the office. The Trip Leader Manager shall be an experienced Bobcats trip leader.

<u>Part 8. Newsletter Editor</u>. The Newsletter Editor shall work with CMC staff on the member/mailing lists, publish a regular Section newsletter, plus perform such other activities as may be appropriate to the office.

<u>Part 9. Communications Manager.</u> The Communications Manager shall work with CMC staff on the member/mailing lists, publish a Bobcats Section newsletter (if the Newsletter Editor position isn't filled), plus perform such other activities as may be appropriate to the office. The Communications Manager shall supply other CMC publications with updates on the Section's activities as appropriate, publicize the Section's social events, plus perform such other activities as may be appropriate to the office.

<u>Part 10. Social Coordinator.</u> The Social Coordinator shall be in charge of organizing any Section social activities, such as picnics, trip leader gatherings, and similar activities, plus perform such other duties as may be appropriate to the office.

<u>Part 11. Term.</u> The normal term for Board members shall be three (3) years. The Board shall appoint a replacement Board member to fill any unexpired Board member's term.

<u>Part 12. Board Elections</u>. Existing Board Members shall elect new Board Members at the Board's Annual Meeting, taking care that Board member terms are staggered to ensure that not too many terms expire at the same time, so as to ensure Board continuity.

<u>Part 13. Meetings</u>. The Annual Meeting of the Board shall be held at least 30 days before the end of the fiscal year, but preferably in August. In addition, the Board shall have meetings at times and places called for by the Chair or a majority of Board members. Board members can participate or meet through email, telephone, teleconference, or any other method the Board approves.

<u>Part 14. Quorum.</u> If ten (10) days' notice of the meeting has been given, a majority of existing Board members shall constitute a quorum.

<u>Part 15. Resignation or Removal</u>. Any Board member or Officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Chair or Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, or, if no time is specified, at the time of acceptance by the Board. Any Board member or Officer may be removed by a majority vote of Board members following procedures as outlined in Article II, Part 2.

ARTICLE V: FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Section shall coincide with the fiscal year of the Club, which commences on the first day of October and ends on the last day of September.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS

Upon proposal by the Board, these bylaws may be amended, repealed, or altered, in whole or in part, by majority vote at any meeting of the Board, provided that a copy of any changes proposed for consideration shall be mailed/emailed to the last recorded address of each Board member at least ten (10) days prior to the date of such meeting