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Consent Agenda: Ratify Executive Committee Interim Actions

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BACKGROUND

Current parliamentary policy agrees on validating board decisions made remotely, and ratifying the Council's online and conference-call decisions via the Consent Agenda does not conflict with any existing SAA policy.

DISCUSSION

Given the Council's use of an e-mail discussion list to function as a group and make decisions remotely, approving interim Council actions via the Consent Agenda contributes to streamlining the group's work and improves access to the interim decisions of SAA's elected decision makers.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following interim actions taken by the SAA Executive Committee between May 21, 2025, and August 23, 2025, be ratified.

On June 17, 2025, SAA Executive Committee approved the statement from the SAA Statement Working Group in favor of robust appropriations for the NHPRC, a critical resource for archives. Motion, Second, APPROVED

On June 26, 2025, the SAA Executive Committee approved the SAA Statements Working Group statement in support of NARA. "SAA urges members to contact their senators and representatives in support of the National Archives, the services they provide, and the records they steward. Motion, Second APPROVED

On June 30, 2025, the SAA Executive Committee voted to endorse the Opposition to bill H.R.4072, the "Protecting and Enhancing Public Access to Codes Act" (Pro Codes Act Motion, Second, APPROVED

On July 10, 2025, the SAA Executive committee approved three nominations to the Secretary of State for service on the Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation (HAC): Motion, Second, APPROVED

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On July 25, 2025, the SAA Executive Committee approved other nominations to the Secretary of State for service on the Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation (HAC): Motion, Second, APPROVED

On July 30, 2025, The SAA Executive Committee voted to decline a financial/sponsorship partnership with the National Museum of American Religion. Motion, Second, APPROVED