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Dear Licensee,

A recent review of the current bingo regulations revealed there is no current regulation or statute which requires the officers of charitable organizations to be two year bona fide members in order for the organization to hold a bingo license. The rules do, however, require anyone who works the bingo game to be a two year member of the organization. It has been the policy of the commission to require the officers of the charitable organization to be two year members, but in light of the recent review this policy will be changed.

Going forward, charitable organizations that hold a bingo license may add new or additional officers who have been members of the organization for less than two years. These individuals can be officers, **but they cannot work the bingo game or serve as Bingo Chairperson until they have been members for two years.** Within the next twelve months your organization will receive a renewal application that lists the workers and officers currently on file with the Commission. The officers on file will be listed as officers and bingo workers, since all current offices on file are eligible to work bingo as all have been required to be two year members in the past. During the renewal process we will be requesting that you update the list to indicate if any of your officers are not bingo workers. At that time you can also add any new officers to the officer list and remove any officers who are no longer serving in office. Any new officer who is a two year member could also be added to the bingo worker list at that time. An individual must be added to the bingo worker list before he or she works the bingo games in any way. If changes need to be made to your worker list or officer list prior to receipt of the annual renewal application, please contact the Bingo Division to facilitate those changes.

Thank you,

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