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Ms. Mary Rupp Secretary of the Board National Credit Union Administration 1775 Duke Street Alexandria, VA 22314

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Re: **Request for Comments on Proposed Bylaws Changes**

The North Carolina Credit Union League (NCCUL) appreciates the opportunity to respond to NCUA's notice and request for comments on the Federal Credit Union (FCU) Bylaws. NCCUL represents 95% of North Carolina's 134 state and federal credit unions.

Background

NCUA is proposing changes to update, clarify, and simplify the Federal Credit Union (FCU) Bylaws. NCUA proposes these changes because numerous bylaw amendments approved by the NCUA Board over the past five years reveal the need to modify Bylaws or remove provisions that have become outdated or obsolete.

We appreciate NCUA's work in drafting the revisions to the fourteen areas which are addressed in the regulatory comment call. In addition to these areas we would encourage NCUA to consider drafting suggested language for inclusion in Federal Credit Union Bylaws governing a credit unions conversion to a Mutual Savings Bank.

NCCUL's Board of Directors recently adopted an official position regarding credit union conversions based on the work of the Credit Union Conversion Taskforce. We encourage NCUA to develop standard language for inclusion in a Federal Credit Union's Bylaws regarding the charter conversion process that is consistent with the position outlined below.

NCCUL's Position

The North Carolina Credit Union League strongly believes the member-owned; not-forprofit credit union charter is the charter of choice for providing the public with consumerfriendly affordable financial products and services and is the best alternative to the forprofit banking community.

