



Membership Application

Membership Requirements Summary: (The SVIC Bylaws specifies the complete requirements for becoming a member. The Bylaws are available by request from the Secretary of SVIC.)

1. A new or renewing member shall testify in the basic belief of Islamic faith.
2. A member must be at least 16 years of age.
3. A member must be a resident of Santa Clara county, San Benito county and San Francisco Bay Area counties.
4. A new or renewing member must pay the membership dues set by the BOD to initiate or continue membership. **Membership Fee: \$25/person for Calendar Year 2018**
5. The term of membership is one calendar year, from 1st of January to the end of Dec 31st.

Important Information:

- You may apply and pay for your membership online at <http://www.svic.org>
- Please provide your Residential address. On election day, your eligibility to vote shall be confirmed after verifying your address against your government provided identification.

Personal Information (Required)

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Additional Member #1 at same address: _____

Additional Member #2 at same address: _____

Additional Member #3 at same address: _____

Additional Member #4 at same address: _____

Payment Method: Check, Credit Card, Debit Card

I testify that there is none worthy of worship but Allah, and that prophet Muhammed (SAWS) is his last and final Messenger.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Detailed rules related to membership and Arbitration clause:

1. Membership is automatically renewed by donating minimum of \$25 a year in that recordable donations (donations that are made by using personal checks or other means that clearly indicate donor's name and address) to SVIC Operating Funds or SVIC's Asset-related projects may be substituted for the annual membership due if the amount donated is equal to or more than the amount of membership due.
2. Donations for non-SVIC projects, such as fundraisers for projects by other organizations, funds collected for helping individuals in need, or donations for victims of disasters in the US or elsewhere cannot be substituted for annual membership fee because they cannot be used for any SVIC expenditures.
3. Failure to pay the annual membership fee will cause a voting member to become a non-voting member.
4. Membership fees are due by January 10th of each year to be eligible to vote in Board of Directors and Board of Trustees Elections and General Body Meetings that are held later that year.
5. Qualified member names of a household need to be specified in the membership form or apply individually. However, once they become a member (with Arbitration Clause signed and submitted), membership will be renewed automatically if a recordable donation with multiple names, such as husband and wife is submitted, provided that the amount of donation is sufficient to cover the membership fees for all.

Arbitration Clause for Members

In the event that I have any claim against or dispute or differences with the South Valley Islamic Center (henceforth SVIC) or if I am involved in any controversy arising out of or involving the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, or decisions of the SVIC and/or Committees formed pursuant to the Bylaws or by the governing body, I agree to submit any such matter to final and binding arbitration pursuant to the provisions of the California Code of Civil Procedure, Section 1280 et seq., or amended statutes, within one month of the time such matter arises. I agree that such arbitration shall be the exclusive forum for any such dispute. If SVIC does not receive a written request for arbitration from me within 30 days from the date the dispute arose, I agree that I will have waived any right to raise any claim, in



any form, arising out of such dispute.

I further expressly agree that in arbitration my exclusive remedy shall be:

- a) To seek rescission of any act that I deem to have been wrongly undertaken by SVIC, or b) To force SVIC to perform tasks required of it under its Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and any effective resolutions.
- b) I expressly waive any claim for damages, actual or punitive, save and except to the extent of membership dues paid by me.
- c) I understand that by executing this agreement I waive my right to a trial by a judge and/or jury.
- d) Should any of the provisions of this agreement be unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and in effect and the agreement shall be construed in the most favorable manner so that any dispute/difference involving the parties is resolved by binding arbitration.
- e) I understand and agree that this agreement represents and expresses the complete agreement between SVIC and me regarding any acts of omissions of SVIC.
- f) I hereby accept the terms and conditions of this agreement in exchange for membership privileges in this Association. Executed in Santa Clara County, CA on

(Date): _____ By

(First and Last Name): _____

SIGNATURE: _____



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