APS Potomac Division Resolutions of the 2009 Annual Meeting

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Read by Mannon Gallegly at the Annual Meeting Banquet

1. Whereas: The Potomac Division of APS is meeting at the Eisenhower Inn and Conference Center in Gettysburg, PA, March 25-27, 2009, being hosted by Fort Detrick, MD,

Therefore Be It Resolved: that the Potomac Division sincerely thank the staff of the Inn for its excellent facility and courteous service, as well as thanks to the Fort Detrick group for organizing the meeting.

2. Whereas: Nicole Donofrio had to withdraw from attendance because of a family matter,

Therefore Be It Resolved: that we thank her colleagues and students for performing admirably without her onsite support.

3. Whereas: Pickett’s Charge failed in the Battle of Gettysburg,

Therefore Be It Resolved: that the South has risen again in the annexation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the Potomac Division of APS.

4. Whereas: Harsh Bais started the Thursday morning symposium with the slowest Powerpoint presentation in the East,

Therefore Be It Resolved: that Dr. Bais be introduced again so that the program can load and so that he can tell the story of catechol to a new generation. (The old generation knows the story of onion smudge, red onions and catechol for resistance.)

5. Whereas: Although we grieve with the passing of Frances Latterell, she would be disappointed if we did not relate some of the incidents of her storied career in the Potomac Division.

Therefore Be It Resolved: that we remember the following incidents:

a. She was formally designated as “Miss Potomac Division”.

b. She was constantly surrounded by an attentive male contingent, but carefully chaperoned by her loyal technician.

c. Dressing for the annual banquet, she discovered that the cork had come out of her Scotch bottle in her suitcase. Her wardrobe had an air of the Scottish Highlands.

d. As the only female scientist at Ft. Detrick, upon retirement she was replaced by Nina Shishkoff. Shall we expect a similar storied future by Nina?

6. Whereas: The Potomac Division is meeting at the Eisenhower Inn and Conference Center,

Therefore Be It Resolved: that the Local Arrangements Committee found it a propitious opportunity to meet jointly with the Northeastern Paranormal Society for some “good vibes”.
7. Whereas: APS President Jim Moyer wondered about the future of our society,

Therefore Be It Resolved: that based on the Graduate Student Competition, we feel the future is in good hands!