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PREAMBLE

We, the founding members of the Asanteman Anti-Pollution Coalition (AAPC), recognizing the urgent need to protect the environment, improve sanitation, prevent pollution, and promote sustainable development, do hereby adopt this Constitution as the supreme governing document of the Coalition.

AAPC is established as a voluntary, non-profit, non-partisan, and non-religious organization dedicated to educating communities, promoting environmental responsibility, supporting the enforcement of environmental laws through lawful means, and partnering with stakeholders to build cleaner, healthier, and flood-free communities.

We commit ourselves to integrity, accountability, volunteerism, transparency, and service to humanity for the benefit of present and future generations.

ARTICLE 1: NAME

The name of the organization shall be: Asanteman Anti-Pollution Coalition (AAPC).

ARTICLE 2: MOTTO

"Educate, Enforce and Partner."

The Coalition shall pursue its mission through three core pillars:

- Educate – To raise public awareness and build environmental responsibility through education, advocacy, and community engagement.
- Enforce – To support and encourage compliance with environmental laws and sanitation regulations through lawful advocacy, monitoring, reporting, and collaboration with the appropriate authorities.

- Partner – To collaborate with government agencies, traditional authorities, educational institutions, civil society organizations, businesses, development partners, and communities to achieve sustainable environmental protection.

ARTICLE 3: VISION

To create clean, healthy, and flood-free communities where citizens respect the environment and live sustainably for future generations.

ARTICLE 4: MISSION

To educate communities, promote environmental responsibility, support the enforcement of environmental laws through lawful advocacy, and partner with government institutions, traditional authorities, educational institutions, civil society organizations, businesses, and communities to eliminate pollution and protect the environment.

ARTICLE 5: OBJECTIVES

The Coalition shall:

1. Promote environmental cleanliness and sanitation.
2. Educate the public on proper waste management.
3. Organize community clean-up exercises.
4. Promote recycling and waste segregation.
5. Advocate against indiscriminate disposal of waste.
6. Promote environmental conservation and climate resilience.
7. Encourage tree planting and restoration of degraded environments.
8. Support flood prevention and drainage maintenance.
9. Conduct environmental education in schools and communities.
10. Promote research and innovation in environmental protection.
11. Mobilize volunteers for environmental campaigns.

12. Partner with government agencies, traditional authorities, civil society organizations, educational institutions, businesses, development partners, and communities.

13. Promote responsible citizenship and environmental stewardship.

14. Encourage compliance with environmental laws through education, advocacy, and collaboration with the appropriate authorities.

ARTICLE 6: CORE VALUES

- Integrity
- Accountability
- Transparency
- Teamwork
- Volunteerism
- Respect for Humanity
- Respect for the Environment
- Professionalism
- Service

ARTICLE 7: MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be open to any person aged eighteen (18) years or above who supports the aims and objectives of AAPC.

Categories

- Founding Members
- Ordinary Members
- Volunteer Members
- Corporate Members
- Honorary Members

ARTICLE 8: RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

Members shall have the right to:

- Attend meetings.
- Vote and be voted for (except Honorary Members).
- Participate in programmes.
- Receive information concerning the affairs of the Coalition.
- Express opinions respectfully.

ARTICLE 9: DUTIES OF MEMBERS

Members shall:

- Uphold this Constitution.
- Participate actively in programmes.
- Pay approved dues.
- Protect the image and reputation of the Coalition.
- Respect leadership and fellow members.
- Promote environmental responsibility.

ARTICLE 10: LEADERSHIP

The Executive Committee shall consist of:

- President
- Vice President
- General Secretary
- Deputy General Secretary
- Financial Secretary
- Treasurer

- Organizing Secretary
- Public Relations Officer
- Environmental Education Coordinator
- Legal and Enforcement Coordinator
- Women's Representative
- Youth Representative

Executive Officers shall serve a four-year term and may be re-elected for one additional term.

ARTICLE 11: FUNCTIONS OF OFFICERS

Each officer shall perform duties assigned by this Constitution and any additional responsibilities approved by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 12: MEETINGS

The Coalition shall hold:

- Annual General Meeting (AGM)
- Quarterly General Meetings
- Monthly Executive Meetings
- Emergency Meetings when necessary

ARTICLE 13: FINANCE

Funds shall be generated through:

- Donations
- Grants
- Sponsorship

- Fundraising activities
- Corporate support
- Any other lawful source

All funds shall be used solely to achieve the objectives of the Coalition.

ARTICLE 14: BANK ACCOUNT

AAPC shall operate an official bank account.

The signatories shall be:

- President
- General Secretary
- Treasurer

Any two signatories shall authorize withdrawals in accordance with approved financial procedures.

ARTICLE 15: DISCIPLINE

Members who violate this Constitution or act contrary to the objectives of the Coalition may be subject to:

- Verbal Warning
- Written Warning
- Suspension
- Removal from Office
- Expulsion

Every member shall be given a fair hearing before disciplinary action is taken.

ARTICLE 16: PARTNERSHIPS

AAPC may collaborate with:

- Government institutions
- Traditional authorities
- Educational institutions
- Civil society organizations
- Faith-based organizations
- Businesses
- Development partners
- International organizations
- Community groups

Such partnerships shall not compromise the independence of the Coalition.

ARTICLE 17: NON-PARTISAN AND NON-RELIGIOUS STATUS

17.1 AAPC shall remain a non-profit, non-partisan, and non-religious environmental organization.

17.2 The Coalition shall not endorse, campaign for, or promote any political party, political candidate, religious denomination, faith-based organization, or religious doctrine.

17.3 Membership shall be open to all persons regardless of political affiliation, religion, ethnicity, gender, disability, or social status, provided they subscribe to the vision, mission, objectives, and values of the Coalition.

17.4 The Coalition shall not permit its meetings, programmes, activities, publications, funds, or resources to be used for partisan political or religious purposes.

17.5 Officers and members shall perform their duties impartially and shall not use the name, platform, or resources of the Coalition to advance political, religious, or personal interests.

17.6 The Coalition shall collaborate with government institutions, traditional authorities, civil society organizations, faith-based organizations, educational institutions, development partners, and the private sector only where such collaboration advances its environmental mission without compromising its neutrality and independence.

ARTICLE 18: AMENDMENT

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of members present and voting at an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE 19: DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution, all assets and liabilities of the Coalition shall be transferred to another registered non-profit organization in Ghana with similar environmental objectives, in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Ghana.

ARTICLE 20: ADOPTION

This Constitution shall come into force on the date of its adoption by the founding members of the Asanteman Anti-Pollution Coalition (AAPC).

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2026

Founding President: _____

General Secretary: _____

Treasurer: _____

Witness: _____