***GHWG Special Meeting***

***Topic: Presentation and vote to approve a budget allocation to support hybrid meetings***

***Thursday September 15, 2022 @ 7:00pm (followed by regular GHWG meeting)***

**PROXY VOTING FORM**

**Preamble:** Back in March 2022, members were polled about our new in-person location and their interest in Hybrid meetings. At that time, while members generally agreed that they wanted to meet face-to-face, approx. ¾ of respondents said that they support hybrid meetings\*.

In April, the *Hybrid Meetings Working Group* was established, and the team has been researching options and best practices. An update was provided at the Annual General Meeting in June 2022. In August, the working group made recommendations to the Executive Committee which the Executive approved. Their proposal, to purchase video, audio and computer technology necessary to deliver both hybrid meetings and improved in-house production quality, exceeds the current Executive Committee spending authority.

A Special Meeting is being held on September 15, 2022 to ask members to approve the budget allocation deemed necessary to purchase and implement the proposal.

If you are unable to attend the meeting on Thursday September 15, 2022, and wish to submit your vote either in favour or against the question below, you may submit your vote by Proxy and your vote will be submitted on your behalf.

**All Proxy forms are to be submitted to Keith Robinson, no later than Wednesday September 14, 2022, at 4:00pm** who will tally all proxy votes and submit them on the members’ behalf.

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Member Badge #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ e-mail/phone #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Mark Yes or No**

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| **Questions** | **YES** | **NO** |
| 1. Do you approve the Executive Committee’s budget allocation of up to $8,000 towards the purchase of audio, video and computer technology required to deliver hybrid meetings?
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*Please note you do not need to submit a proxy vote if you plan to attend the meeting and vote in person on Thursday September 15.*

\* *By hybrid meetings, we mean implementing the necessary video, sound and computer technology so members in the room and in another location (i.e. at home, on vacation etc.) can see and hear the same presentation at the same time. Allows everyone to see and be seen, hear and be heard*.