

Policy for Honorary Membership, Section 4.4 MRPC Bylaws:

Adopted 8/17/05

The current language in Section 4.4 regarding Honorary Membership reads as follows:

Section 4.4 Honorary Members. Honorary Members shall be those persons who, having made an outstanding contribution to the Parkway Project, are elected to the position of Honorary Member at any proper meeting of voting members. Honorary Members shall retain membership throughout their lifetime. Any person may be elected posthumously to the position of Honorary Member. Honorary Members who are not also general members shall have the privilege of taking part in all discussions at meetings of members but shall have no right to vote at any meeting of members or in the transaction of any business of the Parkway Commission, or to hold any office therein, except in a committee of the Parkway Commission to which they have been duly appointed. General Members and Associate Members elected to the position of Honorary Member shall not thereby lose their status as General or Associate Members. All persons who have served as Pilot of this organization shall be elevated to the position of Pilot Emeritus upon the conclusion of their term in office and become an Honorary Member.

POLICY FOR HONORARY MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION

Candidate must meet one or more of the following criteria:

1. Contributed substantial work toward the goals, programs, and objectives of the MRPC.
2. Substantial contribution to the promotion, development and use of the Great River Road.
3. Initiation of new economic development or enhancement of the Mississippi River for increased prosperity in the river corridor.
4. Worked to carry out the purpose of the MRPC in an exemplary way.

PROCEDURE FOR HONORARY MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION

1. Any person who has served on any State Commission and is no longer an active member qualifies as a candidate for Honorary Membership.
2. Any person who has not been an appointed member of a State Commission but has made a contribution as described in the policy qualifies as a candidate for Honorary Membership.
3. All nominations must be submitted to the National MRPC Pilot by the State Commission in which the candidate resides.
4. If a nomination is made by someone outside the state in which the candidate resides, the nomination must be submitted to the State Commission in the candidate's state of residence for approval and forwarding to the MRPC Pilot
5. All nominations must be received by the National MRPC Pilot at least 30 days prior to the start of the MRPC Annual Meeting.
6. Once the nomination has been received by the National Pilot it will be forwarded to the MRPC Nominating Committee for review.
7. The Nominating Committee shall review each nominee and may select none or any of the suggested persons for Honorary Membership. It then forwards its recommendations on to the MRPC Board of Directors for final review and approval.
8. Approved candidates will be announced at the annual meeting.