



JAIN SOCIETY OF HOUSTON, INC.

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Date April 8, 2022

JAIN SOCIETY OF HOUSTON OFFICIAL ELECTION AND RESOLUTION NOTICE:

1. DATE, TIME, and PLACE OF ELECTION: The next Jain Society of Houston ("JSH") Officer and Trustee General Election and Resolution vote will commence on **April 22, 2022 at 10:00 AM CST**. The election voting period for JSH Life-members to vote will be approximately nine days (9) and will conclude on Saturday, April 30th, 2022 at 5:00pm CST. Election and resolution voting will be primarily done through electronic voting. There will be two options available for Life-members to vote:

- a. Via electronic voting whereby JSH Life-members can vote remotely from their personal electronic devices anytime during the designated voting period; or
- b. If a Life-member does not have access to a computer or other mobile device, such Life-member can come to the JSH for in-person voting on Sunday April 24th, 2022 from 10:00am until 3:00pm CST, at 3905 Arc Street, Houston, TX 77063.

2. ELECTED POSITIONS: As communicated by the JSH Joint Committee ("JC") in prior JSH General Body communications, due to the unique circumstances resulting from the COVID pandemic, the JSH was unable to safely conduct General Body Meetings and Elections in April 2020 and April 2021. Given the recent 2021 JSH Constitution amendment that permits the ability to utilize electronic voting, as well as the JC's current review of the COVID pandemic situation in our Houston area, the JC has decided a General Body Meeting, election, and resolution voting is now feasible.

As such, the JSH Officer and Trustee positions that will be available for general election are eight (8) Executive Committee ("EC") officer positions and six (6) Board of Trustees ("BT") positions. Further, the JSH Constitution's guidelines require having Officer and Trustee elected positions in staggered year terms. Given these various requirements, the JSH 2022 Election Committee has provided each candidate the ability to choose which term position on either the EC or the BT such candidate seeks. This is a one-time event, and subsequent general elections will proceed as normal. The following summary provides the Officer and Trustee positions for election:

- a. Election of four (4) members of the Executive Committee for the 1-year term 2022-2023;
- b. Election of four (4) members of the Executive Committee for the 2-year term 2022-2024;
- c. Election of two (2) members of the Board of Trustees for the 1-year term 2022-2023;
- d. Election of two (2) members of the Board of Trustees for the 2-year term 2022-2024; and
- e. Election of two (2) members of the Board of Trustees for the 3-year term 2022-2025.

3. List of Candidates:

The following summary provides the Officer and Trustee candidates that have been nominated for elected positions:



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Please vote for up to 4 candidates for 1 year EC Term

1) Abhishek Jain	1 Year EC
2) Ankit Shah	1 Year EC
3) Chaital Shah	1 Year EC
4) Jay Mehta	1 Year EC

Please vote for up to 4 candidates for 2-year EC term

1) Bankim Mehta	2 Year EC
2) Jayesh Porwal	2 Year EC
3) Kalpesh Shah	2 Year EC
4) Sumit Baid	2 Year EC

Please vote for Up to 2 Candidates for BT 1 year BT term

1) Sanjay Shah	1 Year BT
2) Urvashi Jain	1 Year BT

Please vote for up to 2 candidates for 2-year BT term

1) Prafulla Bora	2 Year BT
2) Samir Mehta	2 Year BT

Please vote for up to 2 candidates for 3-year BT term

1) Kamlesh Shah	3 Year BT
2) Vikram Mehta	3 Year BT



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Please use the following links to access candidate personal photos, biographies, and statements provided specifically for General Body members to review.

https://www.jainsocietyhouston.org/files/ugd/f3e767_df586dc092244be5a246799e9e5a960e.pdf

4. VOTER QUALIFICATIONS: All JSH Life-members, 21 years and older, who are listed on the current membership list of JSH and have paid life membership fees on or before December 31st, 2021 are designated as qualified voters. In a family membership, only the husband and wife qualify for voting.

5. ADDITIONAL RULES:

- a. The JSH Election Committee and the Election Coordinator will coordinate the JSH General Election with assistance provided by the JSH Information Technology ("IT") committee. The Election Coordinator and Election Committee will provide the results to the JSH Joint Committee once the election process is closed and completed;
- b. Even if there are less than the minimum number of nominations required for each respective term, an election is still being held; however, all nominated candidates will likely be declared elected for the Executive Committee respective term positions;
- c. Even if there are less than the minimum number of nominations required for each respective term, an election is still being held; however, all nominated candidates will likely be declared elected for the Board of Trustees respective term positions;
- d. If the number of EC or BT positions elected is less than eight and six, respectively, then the newly elected EC and BT (per the JSH Constitution) will select additional EC and BT members to make the total eight and six, respectively, provided that the additional members fulfill the appropriate qualifications;
- e. After the Election, the newly elected EC and BT, consisting of eight and six members respectively, will elect the new President and the new Chief Trustee. The EC will also select a Vice-President, Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer and Joint Treasurer from within the members of the EC;
- f. The Election Coordinator in consultation with the Election Committee will have the final say in the matters of JSH EC and BT Elections. The Election Coordinator will declare the eligibility of candidates, conduct the election, and will provide to the current President, the Chief Trustee and the Secretary all of the Election Records and files for appropriate record retention. Any procedural issues or other questions regarding the election process, rules, guidelines, deadlines, nomination requirements, etc. will be determined by the Election Coordinator and Election Committee;
- g. In case of a tie, the Election Coordinator will break the tie by drawing the name of the winning candidate in the presence of the tying candidates;
- h. The names of the members of the newly elected Executive Committee Officers and Board of Trustees will be posted by the JC on the JSH Website and emailed to the General Body members as well;
- i. All questions and inquiries relating to the election should be directed to the Election Coordinator and the Election Committee for resolution at their respective email addresses below;



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- j. The transfer of the duties will be conducted on or before the last day of May 2022;
and
- k. Please contact the JSH Election Coordinator and/or the JSH Election Committee with any questions.

6. Vote to Approve, Validate and Ratify the Extended Membership Positions of the Joint Committee, Board of Trustees and Executive Committee of the Jain Society in 2020 and 2021:

At the same time and on the same ballot as the election, the JSH requests your approval of the resolution below. In addition to providing JSH General Body members the opportunity to resume elections and nominate and vote on EC and BT candidates since the Covid pandemic began, the JSH JC requests your approval (i.e. a "YES" vote) of the following resolution to provide appropriate continuity and transition to the next EC and BT officers and trustees terms of office:

RESOLUTION

Whereas the extraordinary circumstances caused by the Covid-19 pandemic included the inability of the Jain Society of Houston ("JSH") to conduct elections safely in 2020 and 2021, **therefore be it resolved** that both the extended membership positions and respective authority of the acting members of the Joint Committee, Board of Trustees, and Executive Committee of the Jain Society of Houston during the 2020 and 2021 term periods only are approved, validated, and ratified by the JSH General Body Members; **be it further resolved** that such General Body Membership approval, validation, and ratification does not extend past the JSH 2022 election or prior to the JSH 2019 election.

7. Conclusion

We sincerely appreciate all our community's engagement and contribution in assisting the JSH and our collective member community. Thank you for your continued involvement and participation.

Sincerely,

The JSH Election Committee

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