



**Funeral Consumer Alliance of Stanislaus/Merced Counties**  
**Notice of Annual Meeting**  
**Saturday, December 4, 10 a.m. on ZOOM**

Dear FCASMC Member:

In these challenging times, we have all had to adapt one way or another.

For the Funeral Consumer Alliance of Stanislaus/Merced Counties this has meant a significant reduction in our activities. While our volunteers have continued to update the website ([www.fcasmc.org](http://www.fcasmc.org)) with useful information, respond to phone calls and emails, process new memberships and provide some online presentations, we have been forced to curtail most of our outreach activities.

The organization's bylaws, last modified in 2011, call for an annual meeting in the fall. Last year's virtual annual meeting (and the meeting in 2019) failed to attract the quorum of twenty-five of our more than five hundred members required to conduct business and elect a slate of officers to replace those whose terms had expired.

The board members, the majority of whom continue to serve in spite of the expiration of their terms, feel that for the FCASMC to continue its mission of protecting the rights of consumers to choose meaningful, dignified and affordable final arrangements, requires a drastic revision of the bylaws to make it easier to adopt amendments, reduce the size of the board and number of officers, eliminate term limits, and modify other outdated and cumbersome provisions. The bulk of these changes are included with this notice (the new language is indicated in **red**; the old language is indicated by being ~~lined out~~). A complete copy of the old bylaws can be found on the Alliance web site ([www.fcasmc.org](http://www.fcasmc.org)). Please read these proposals and be prepared to approve or disapprove the revised bylaws at a brief ZOOM meeting on **Saturday, December 4 at 10 a.m.** Aside from a short financial report, this will be the only item on the agenda, and you can access the meeting on ZOOM at <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/93820232964>. A quorum of at least 25 members is required for adoption, so your attendance is critical.

The continued operation of FCASMC will also require dedicated board members to continue its operations. Please indicate your interest in the continuation of FCASMC and its work by indicating the tasks you would be willing to accept on the inside flap of the enclosed envelope that contains your ballot. If you have questions or concerns, please email [support@fcasmc.org](mailto:support@fcasmc.org).

**FCASMC thanks you for your response and support of its mission.**