BYLAWS OF THE LORAIN COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY COUNTY CENTRAL AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

Approved July 9, 2024

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the Lorain County Republican Party (the "Party"). It shall comprise a Central Committee, which is the Party's "controlling committee" in Lorain County, for purposes of Ohio Revised Code (R.C.) 3517.03, and an Executive Committee which, in accordance with R.C. 3517.03, "shall have the powers granted to it by the party controlling committee and provided to it by law." The Central Committee is also divided into groupings of election precincts called Areas.

ARTICLE II: AUTHORITY

Section 1. <u>Authority</u>. Any and all bylaws, resolutions or their equivalents heretofore provided for the guidance of the Lorain County Republican Central or Executive Committees are hereby revoked.

Section 2. <u>Central Committee</u>. The Central Committee shall have and exercise all powers conferred on it under Ohio law, as the Party's "controlling committee" in Lorain County, including without limitation all powers conferred under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3517 and under these bylaws.

Section 3. <u>Executive Committee</u>. The Executive Committee shall be elected by the Central Committee and shall be charged with representing the Party pursuant to the authority vested in it by the Central Committee, by the laws of the State of Ohio and by these bylaws.

ARTICLE III - MISSION

The Party is committed to promoting Republican ideals and principles, to developing and promoting both candidates for and holders of public office who aspire to those ideals and principles, to educating its members and the electorate about those ideals and principles, and to expanding the Republican presence in Lorain County. The Central Committee shall adopt and revise a specific platform stating further the Party's ideals, policies and position on specific social, economic and political issues.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERS AND TERMS

Section 1. <u>Central Committee</u>. Members of the Central Committee shall be elected to a four (4) year term at the primary election in every presidential primary election year, in accordance with R.C. 3517.03. The term of all Central Committee members shall terminate in accordance with R.C. 3517.05, unless terminated earlier.

Section 2. <u>Executive Committee</u>. An Executive Committee shall be elected as provided by law, at the organizational meeting of the Central Committee. The Chairman from each of the seven (7) Area Committees, one other member from each Area Committee, who is elected by the respective Area Committee, and the Central Committee Chairman shall comprise the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Membership Criteria. In addition to compliance with all membership requirements of Revised Code Chapter 3517, every member on the Central Committee and/or the Executive Committee must be a registered and active Republican voter in Lorain County, must uphold the Mission, Expectations, the Party platform and should participate in Party activities. Primary and general election voting history shall be considered in evaluating a member as being an active Republican voter. Any member who votes in another political party's primary election shall immediately be ineligible for membership in the Central Committee and will not regain eligibility to be elected or appointed to the Central Committee until

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regaining Republican voter status as provided by law. Any member who moves out of the precinct to which they were elected or appointed shall immediately be ineligible for membership in the Central Committee.

Section 4. <u>Vacancies in Central Committee</u>. Appointments shall be made by the Central Committee to fill vacancies in the Central Committee caused by death, resignation, failure to elect or removal from the precinct from which a committeeman was elected or appointed. The Central Committee shall fill the vacancy for the unexpired term by a majority vote of the members present. Nominations may be made by the local Area Chairman or their designee. If an individual who resides within the precinct in which the vacancy exists personally appears before a regularly scheduled Central Committee meeting, applies for the position and establishes their qualifications to a majority of those voting members present, then that person may be appointed to fill the vacancy. Use the Candidate Application addendum.

Section 5. <u>Vacancies in Executive Committee</u>. Membership vacancies shall be filled by vote of the Area Central Committee from which the vacancy occurred. Any vacancies in the officer positions of the Executive Committee shall be filled by vote of the Executive Committee.

Section 6. <u>Vacancies in Public Offices and Candidacies</u>. The Central Committee, or any subset of the Central Committee as authorized by law, shall have such powers to fill vacancies as are conferred on it under R.C. 305.02, respecting County offices, and under R.C. 3513.30 and 3513.31, respecting candidates for office.

Section 7. <u>Resignations</u>. Any member resigning from the Central Committee shall submit a written resignation to the Central Committee Chairman. If an Executive Committee member resigns from only the Executive Committee then they should submit a written resignation to the Executive Committee Chairman. Letters of resignation are effective as of the date the Executive Committee Chairman and the Central Committee Chairman receive same. Committee Secretaries shall promptly report all personnel changes as required under R.C. 3517.02.

ARTICLE V - EXPECTATIONS OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The expectations of the members shall be to:

- a. Articulate and promote Party policies;
- b. Recruit, mentor, elect and retain ethical, knowledgeable, conscientious Republican candidates and Party leaders;
- c. Maintain, expand and actively participate in Party and grassroots volunteer activities across Lorain County, including keeping updated on Party communications;
- d. Serve as a political education resource and contact for the community;
- e. Actively engage and advocate for Republican candidates within committee member's precinct;
- f. Promote voter registration and active participation;
- g. Support and coordinate with Area Committees that engage and motivate the electorate; and
- h. Cooperate and coordinate with the state and national Republican party organizations.

ARTICLE VI - AREA COMMITTEES

Section 1. <u>Areas</u>. Central Committee members of any city, village, township or other geographical area may form Area committees under provision of law. All members and officers thereof shall be precinct committee members regularly elected or appointed and recognition of the rightful existence of any such committee shall vest in the Central Committee.

Section 2. <u>Area Bylaws</u>. Each Area Committee shall have bylaws and they shall not be in conflict with these bylaws of the Party Central and Executive Committees.

Section 3. <u>Auxiliary Members</u>. The Chairman of an Area Committee may appoint Auxiliary members who are Republican residents of the precincts in their respective Area. These Auxiliary members have limited rights and responsibilities as provided for in the respective Area's bylaws and do not serve as members of the County Central Committee. Auxiliary members may either be removed by the respective Area Chairman or a majority vote of a quorum of the respective Area's members.

Section 4. <u>Geographical Composition</u>. Under provision of Section 1, above, the following Areas are established by groupings of election precincts:

AMHERST AREA	Amherst City, S. Amherst Village, and Amherst Township, Vermilion City, Brownhelm Township and Henrietta Township.
AVON/AVON LAKE AREA	Avon City and Avon Lake City
ELYRIA AREA	Elyria City, Elyria Township and Carlisle Township
LORAIN/SHEFFIELD AREA	Lorain City, Sheffield Lake City, Sheffield Village, and Sheffield Township
NORTH RIDGEVILLE	North Ridgeville City
COLUMBIA/EATON/ GRAFTON AREA	Grafton Village & Township, LaGrange Village & Township, Columbia Township and Eaton Township
WELLINGTON AREA	Oberlin City, Brighton Township, Camden Twp/Kipton Village, Huntington Township, New Russia Township, Penfield Township, Pittsfield Township, Rochester Township & Village, Wellington Township and Village.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS AND VOTING

Section 1. The Central Committee shall meet as prescribed by law, but must conduct at least four (4) meetings annually, which shall be scheduled by its Chairman. The Central Committee shall otherwise meet upon the call of twenty (20) members of the Central Committee.

Section 2. The Executive Committee must conduct a minimum of two (2) meetings annually which shall be scheduled by its Chairman. The Executive Committee may otherwise meet upon the call of five (5) Executive Committee members. Executive Committee meetings and votes may be held electronically at the discretion of the Executive Committee Chairman.

Section 3 Quorum. A quorum of the Central Committee shall be one-third of the total membership, except as otherwise provided by law. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall be greater than fifty percent (50%) of the members in good standing at the time of the called meeting, provided that one attendee is the Chairman or Vice-Chairman.

Section 4. <u>Voting</u>. Unless specified otherwise in these bylaws, a majority vote of a quorum shall determine an issue presented. The voting on all important questions, including the election of officers, shall be by secret ballot, if requested.

Section 5. Notice.

- a. Written notice specifying the date, time, place and purpose(s) of each regular meeting set or called shall be given to each affected committee member at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the meeting, unless otherwise specified by law. Reminder notice required seven (7) days in advance. Notice will be posted on the Party website.
- b. All regular meeting notices are deemed properly given if sent by electronic mail to the most recent email address appearing for a member in the records maintained by the affected committee's Secretary.
- c. It shall be the sole responsibility of each member of each committee to ensure that the Secretary for that member's committee(s) has in their possession that member's current contact information, including email and physical addresses and telephone numbers.
- d. Special meetings may be called on short notice thus the notice requirement is only three (3) days prior to the date of the special meeting unless otherwise specified by law. Notice on website is not required.

Section 7. <u>Open Meeting Policy</u>. All Central Committee meetings shall be open to the public and a seating area shall be provided for public attendance that is clearly defined and separated from the voting members of the committee, but still within visual and audible observance. The Central Committee Chairman has the authority to call an executive session.

ARTICLE VIII - OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers, Election and Term. The officers of the Central Committee shall consist of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and such others as deemed advisable by a majority vote of the committee. They are nominated and elected to a four (4) year term at the organizational meeting according to R.C. 3517.04. Executive Committee Officers shall consist of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and such others as deemed advisable. They will be nominated and elected to a four (4) year term by the Executive Committee at its first meeting following the Central Committee's organizational meeting under R.C. 3517.04 in each presidential primary election year. All officer's terms expire on the date of the next Central Committee organizational meeting.

Section 2. <u>Termination of Officer</u>. If any officer of either Committee is determined by that Committee to be unwilling or to have unreasonably failed to perform the duties of the office, for any reason whatsoever, or has been unable for any reason to perform those duties for a continuous period of at least ninety (90) days, such office may be declared vacant by a two-thirds vote of the other members of that Committee who are present and voting at the next meeting of that Committee, and a special election shall be held in accordance with these bylaws to fill the unexpired portion of the term of the office so vacated.

ARTICLE IX - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers. The officers of the Central Committee and the Executive Committee shall perform the duties prescribed by Ohio law, by these bylaws, and by the parliamentary authority adopted herein. It is the duty of each officer to support the Mission, Expectations and the Party Platform. It is advisable for the committees to enumerate the duties of each officer.

Section 2. Duties of Central Committee Chairman.

- a. Preside at all Central Committee meetings.
- b. Call special meetings of the Central Committee as the need arises.
- c. Appoint the members of all standing sub-committees and any ad hoc sub-committees as directed by the Central Committee.
- d. Serve as a member of the Executive Committee.
- e. Serve as an ex-officio, non-voting, member of all standing and ad hoc sub-committees.

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- f. Enforce the provisions of these bylaws.
- g. Be a signer on the organization's bank accounts.
- h. Assume such other duties as needed to provide effective leadership for the Central Committee.

Section 3. <u>Duties of Central Committee Vice-Chairman</u>.

- a. Assume the duties of the Chairman whenever said officer is temporarily unable to perform them but remains in office.
- b. Work with the Chairman as requested.

Section 4. <u>Duties of Central Committee Treasurer</u>.

- a. Have custody of all Central Committee funds and be a signer on the organization's bank accounts.
- b. Make authorized disbursements.
- c. Keep a careful and accurate record of all transactions, receipts and disbursements.
- d. Provide a financial report at all Central Committee meetings, and as otherwise required.
- e. Provide a financial report to any Central Committee member, within a reasonable time, upon request.
- f. Comply with all campaign finance laws and file all necessary and required reports with the Board of Elections and Secretary of State.
- g. Cooperate with the Audit Sub-committee and provide it with all records of receipts, disbursements, accounts payable, accounts receivable, current cash balance, bank statements and any other records it believes are relevant to the management of Party funds.
- h. Serve as a member of the Finance/Fundraising Sub-Committee.
- i. There shall be a Deputy Treasurer, appointed by the Chairman of the Central Committee in consultation with the Treasurer. The Deputy Treasurer must be a member of the Central Committee. The Deputy Treasurer shall assist the Treasurer in the discharge of the duties of that office. This includes being a signer on the organization's bank accounts.
- j. If the Chairman of the Central Committee determines that the Treasurer is temporarily unable to perform the duties of Treasurer, the Deputy Treasurer shall assume the duties of Treasurer until the Treasurer is able to resume the duties of the office.

Section 5. Duties of Central Committee Secretary.

- a. In consultation with the Chairman, prepare the agenda for each Central Committee meeting.
- b. Keep full and accurate minutes of all meetings.
- c. Not less than seven (7) days prior to each meeting, post minutes in a secure place available for members to access confidential communications.
- d. Send notice of meetings of the Central Committee as directed by the Chairman and under Article VII of these bylaws.
- e. File a list of the names and addresses of all members and officers of the Central Committee with the office of the Board of Elections and the Secretary of State promptly after the organizational meeting and as changes occur per R.C. 3517.02.
- f. Take attendance at each meeting, keep full and accurate attendance records and report to the Committee whether or not a quorum exists for the conduct of business.
- g. There may be a Deputy Secretary, appointed by the Chairman of the Central Committee in consultation with the Secretary. The Deputy Secretary shall assist the Secretary in the discharge of the duties of that office. If the Chairman of the Central Committee determines that the Secretary is temporarily unable to perform the duties of Secretary, the Deputy Secretary shall assume the duties of Secretary until the Secretary is able to resume the duties of the office.

ARTICLE X - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Functions of the Executive Committee.

- a. Assist Republican Party during election campaigns.
- b. Assist the Executive Committee Chairman in effectively carrying out the duties of their office.
- c. To monitor the performance and conduct of public officers and candidates for public office.
- d. Allocate disbursement of funds to support county-wide campaign activities up to the total amount approved by the Central Committee.
- e. Perform such other duties as may be reasonably required by the Central Committee.

Section 2. Duties of Executive Committee Chairman.

- a. Preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee.
- b. Call special meetings of the Executive Committee as he or she shall deem necessary.
- c. Report on the activities of the Executive Committee to the Central Committee at each Central Committee meeting or whenever so requested by the Central Committee Chairman.
- d. Work with the Central Committee Chairman and the leadership of other Republican groups to coordinate Republican activities and promote internal Party harmony.
- e. Assume such other duties and responsibilities as are needed to provide effective leadership of the Executive Committee.
- f. Serve as an ex-officio, non-voting, member of all standing and ad hoc sub-committees.

Section 3. Duties of Executive Committee Vice-Chairman.

- a. Assume the duties and responsibilities of Chairman whenever the elected Chairman is unable to perform and fulfill them.
- b. Work with the Chairman as requested.

Section 4. Duties of Executive Committee Secretary.

- a. In consultation with the Chairman, prepare the agenda for each Executive Committee meeting.
- b. Keep full and accurate minutes of all Executive Committee meetings.
- c. Not less than seven (7) days prior to each meeting, minutes will be posted in a secure place available for members to access confidential communications.
- d. Send notice of meetings of the Executive Committee as directed by the Chairman and under Article VII.
- e. File a list of the names and addresses of all members and officers of the Executive Committee with the office of the Board of Elections and the Secretary of State promptly after the organizational meeting and as changes occur per R.C. 3517.02
- f. Take attendance at each meeting, keep full and accurate attendance records and report to the Committee whether or not a quorum exists for the conduct of business.

ARTICLE XI - SUB-COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Central Committee Chairman and the Executive Committee Chairman may create ad hoc sub-committees and appoint members to sub-committees as they deem necessary.

- a. The chairman of any standing or ad hoc sub-committee of the Executive Committee shall be an Executive Committee member, and the chairman of any standing or ad hoc sub-committee of the Central Committee shall be a Central Committee member. Other members of such standing or ad hoc sub-committees are not required to be members of the Central Committee unless indicated they shall be.
- b. All standing and ad hoc sub-committee chairmen shall report their sub-committee's activities to the Executive Committee or the Central Committee under which the sub-committee was formed as often as the chairman requests.
- Section 2. The standing sub-committees of the Central Committee shall be Platform, Candidate Recruitment/Development, Media/Public Relations and Audit. Following are the duties of each sub-committee.
 - a. The <u>Platform Sub-Committee</u> shall consist of one Central Committee member appointed by the Area Chairman of each of the seven areas and the Chairman of County Central Committee shall act as a non-voting chairman of this Sub-Committee. The Platform Sub-Committee shall:
 - 1. Create a specific platform stating further the Party's ideals, policies and position on specific social, economic, and political issues (See Article III.);
 - 2. In even-numbered years, review platform and revise it as needed;
 - 3. Present platform for adoption or revision at a regular or special meeting of the Central Committee;
 - 4. Publish platform on Party website; and
 - 5. Perform such other duties as may be reasonably required by the Chairman of either the Central or the Executive Committees.
 - b. The <u>Candidate Recruitment/Development Sub-Committee</u> shall, at a minimum, consist of a chairman and at least one member. The Candidate Recruitment/Development Sub-Committee shall:
 - 1. Identify, recruit and mentor potential Republican candidates;
 - 2. Serve as the campaign liaison between candidates for public office and the Party;
 - 3. Assist in coordinating campaign activities for all candidates;
 - 4. Provide resources to the candidates in accordance with these bylaws;
 - 5. Assist individual candidates with overall campaign strategy; and
 - 6. Perform such other duties as may be reasonably required by the Candidate Development/ Recruitment Sub-Committee Chairman or by the Chairman of either the Central or the Executive Committees.
 - c. The <u>Media/Public Relations Sub-Committee</u> shall, at a minimum, consist of a chairman and at least one member, all of whom shall be Central Committee members. The Media/Public Relations Sub-Committee shall:
 - 1. Plan and produce cost-effective, multi-channel communications that inform the public about the Mission, Expectations and Platform of the Party, Republican candidates at local, state and national levels, and Republican events and activities;
 - 2. Supply published media to Central Committee members; and

- 3. Perform other such duties as may be required by the Media/Public Relations Sub-Committee Chairman or by the Chairman of either the Central or the Executive Committees.
- d. The <u>Audit Sub-Committee</u> shall, at a minimum, consist of a disinterested chairman and at least two other disinterested members, all of whom shall be Central Committee members. The Audit Sub-Committee shall:

Examine the accounts of the treasurer and make an annual report of same to the Central Committee.

Section 3. The standing sub-committee of the Executive Committee shall be Finance/Fundraising. Following are the duties of the sub-committee.

- a. The <u>Finance/Fundraising Sub-Committee</u> shall at a minimum consist of a chairman and at least one member. The Finance/Fundraising Committee shall:
 - 1. Solicit funds to support the Party;
 - 2. Develop fundraising events and activities as deemed appropriate; and
 - 3. Perform such other duties as may be reasonably required by the Finance/Fundraising Sub-Committee Chairman or by the Chairman of either the Central or the Executive Committees.

ARTICLE XII - BANK ACCOUNTS AND SPENDING

Section 1. All expenditures for the Party must be approved by the Central Committee as described in Article VII Section 4.

Section 2. The Central and Executive Committee Chairmen are each authorized to spend, without prior approval, a maximum of \$100 (non-recurring type expense and not to exceed \$250 per month) for miscellaneous Party expenditures.

Section 3. The Central and Executive Committee Chairman's individual expenditures greater than \$100 require prior approval by the Central Committee. Any expenditures for the Party by others also require prior approval by the Central Committee. See Article VII Section 4 for voting requirements.

Section 4. Party funds must be held in a traditional banking institution and electronic banking, including bank cards, is a permissible method for funds disbursement.

Section 5. Custody of bank cards will be with the signers or their designee.

Section 6. In the event of an unexpected expense up to \$1,000, the Executive Chairman and four other Area Chairmen, together, are authorized to approve the expense.

ARTICLE XIII - ENDORSEMENTS & CONVENTION

All endorsements are the responsibility of the Central Committee. The Executive Committee shall not endorse.

Section 1. <u>Primary Elections</u>. The Central Committee shall not endorse National, State or District candidates for office in Primary Elections.

Section 2. <u>General Elections</u>. The Central Committee has authority to endorse or to refrain from endorsing any successful Republican primary election candidate for any office. The Central Committee shall not take a position on any candidate below the county level in any election.

Section 3. <u>Issues</u>. The Central Committee shall not endorse or oppose any ballot issue unless it has been proposed and approved by a vote of not less than 60% of those voting at a meeting preceded by notification that the assembly will be voting to endorse or oppose the ballot issue in question. The Central Committee shall not take a position on any ballot issue below the county level in any election.

Section 4. <u>Convention.</u> The Central Committee has the sole authority to call for and convene a County Convention. It may do so for the purpose of considering matters of great Republican and general concern.

ARTICLE XIV - DISCIPLINE

Section 1. Criteria for discipline of a Central Committee member and criteria for removal of an Executive Committee member from the Executive Committee may include but are not limited to:

- a. Violating the criteria for membership as defined in Article IV, Section 3 and/or Article V;
- b. Promoting candidates from other parties against Republican candidates, in partisan races;
- c. Publicly speaking, writing or promoting false information about Republican candidates or elected officials;
- d. Using one's title as an officer or member of the Central Committee or Executive Committee to communicate a position on a candidate or public issue, unless authorized to do so, in advance and by voted action, on behalf of the affected Committee; or
- e. For Executive Committee members, failing to attend three successive Executive Committee meetings without satisfactory excuse.

Section 2. <u>Discipline of Central Committee Members</u>. Provided that the subject Central Committee member (i) has been provided notice in accordance with Article VII, Section 5 of these bylaws of the meeting at which the issue will be discussed, and (ii) is afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard by the convened Central Committee, before it acts on the question of the subject member's discipline, the Central Committee may, by a vote of a majority of its members, determine that a Central Committee member has violated any provision of these bylaws or of any Ohio law applicable to such member's status as such. Sanctions for a finding that such violation has occurred may include without limitation anything from a private reprimand or a formal written censure to a suspension of voting rights.

Section 3. <u>Process for removal of an Executive Committee member</u>. The process for removal of an Executive Committee member from the Executive Committee shall be:

- a. Any Central Committee member may request a review of a Executive Committee member's conduct for any of the reasons stated in Article XIV, Section 1 by notifying any Executive Committee Officer in writing of the complaint, with a copy also delivered to the Central Committee Chairman.
- b. The Executive Committee Officers shall review the charge and contact the subject member for verification and by majority vote, determine the need for Executive Committee action.
- c. If deemed appropriate by the Executive Committee Officers, they may recommend to the Executive Committee that the subject member be removed from their position on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall then vote on the matter.
 - 1. Voting shall be by secret ballot.
 - 2. Two-thirds of the members present and voting shall be necessary to remove a member from the Executive Committee, provided a quorum as defined in Article VII, Section 3 is present, and provided that the subject member (i) has been provided notice of the meeting, at which the issue will be discussed, in accordance with Article VII, Section 5, and (ii) is afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard by the convened Executive Committee before it acts on the question of the subject member's removal.

ARTICLE XV - BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The Executive Committee shall nominate any Central Committee member to serve in the Republican positions on the Lorain County Board of Elections in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code.

ARTICLE XVI - RULES AND PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 1. Rules of Procedure. The rules of parliamentary procedure contained in the most recent edition of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER NEWLY REVISED shall govern all proceedings of the Central Committee and the Executive Committee, and every other committee constituted pursuant to these bylaws, in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws, the laws of the State of Ohio, and any applicable special rules of order adopted.

Section 2. <u>Agendas</u>. The Chairman of the Central Committee, in consultation with the Chairman of the Executive Committee, shall have the duty of determining the agenda and order of business at each Central Committee meeting. The Chairman of the Executive Committee, in consultation with the Chairman of the Central Committee, shall have the duty of determining the agenda and order of business at each Executive Committee meeting. Members of either committee may submit requests for items to be placed on the agenda of their respective committee.

ARTICLE XVII - AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Central Committee. The full text of any proposed amendments must be delivered to all members no fewer than ten (10) days before the meeting to consider and adopt the amendments. Amendments shall be effective upon an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the quorum in attendance.

Section 2. All amendments to these bylaws shall be submitted to the Lorain County Board of Elections and the Secretary of State of Ohio per R.C. 3517.02.

Section 3. After each quadrennial organizational meeting, the Area Chairmen or their designee shall convene a Bylaws Review Sub-Committee of the Central Committee for the express purpose of reviewing these bylaws. The Central Committee Chairman shall serve as an ex officio member of the committee.

Section 4. If any provisions of these bylaws are in conflict with law, then those specific provisions will be negated and the rest will remain in effect.

Approved by the Central Committee membership, this 9th Day of July, 2024.

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