BYLAWS OF LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 25 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Legislative District 25 Republican Committee", hereafter referred to as the "District" which is affiliated with the Maricopa County Republican Committee, hereafter referred to as the "County". Also affiliated with the Arizona Republican Party, hereafter referred to as the "State".

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVES

The object of the District is to protect the inalienable rights endowed to us by our Creator as enumerated in the Declaration of Independence, and to limit government to its proper role as defined in the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights. In pursuance thereof, the object of the District shall further be:

- 1. To elect Republican candidates at all levels.
- 2. To promote an informed electorate through political education.
- 3. To foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to promote its ideals.
- 4. To increase the effectiveness of Republican workers in the cause of good government through active political participation.
- 5. To recruit and educate Precinct Committeemen.
- 6. To register Republicans and encourage participation in all elections.
- 7. To encourage qualified Republicans to become candidates for elected offices.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

- A. The membership of the District shall be all elected and appointed Republican Precinct Committeemen of Legislative District 25.
- B. In addition to those duties prescribed by law and State and County By-Laws, the duties of members of the District shall be:
 - 1. To attend all regular or special meetings of the District, whenever possible.
 - 2. To attend all County statutory, mandatory and special meetings in person or by proxy.
 - 3. To attend all State statutory, mandatory and special meetings in person or by proxy, if elected to serve on the State Committee.
 - 4. To organize and work in the precinct where elected or appointed, as well as the District, for the election of Republican candidates.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

- A. In even numbered years, no fewer than 10 regular monthly meetings will be held.
- B. In odd numbered years, no fewer than 6 regular monthly meetings will be held.
- C. Special meetings of the District may be called by the Chairman, or shall be called at the written requests of two-thirds (2/3) of the Precinct Committeemen.

- D. Notice of District meetings shall be given to each Committeeman, not later than ten (10) days prior to the meeting and should include a proposed agenda.
- E. A quorum for the transaction of business at a regular or special meeting of the District shall be ten percent (10%) of the number of authorized Precinct Committeemen, present in person or by two (2) proxies.

F. **Proxies:**

a. Except as required by the County Bylaws, proxy voting must not be permitted for any District meeting or any meeting of any committee or board of the District. Where the County Bylaws do require that proxy use be permitted, the following rules must govern their usage unless specified otherwise in the Arizona Revised Statutes.b. Precinct Committeemen eligible to vote at a District meeting where proxies are allowed may give their proxy to a registered Republican living and registered in the same precinct as the giver. Proxies may not be transferred to a third party.

- c. No Proxy carrier may carry more than two (2) proxies.
- d. Proxies are valid solely on the date of the meeting for which they are created.
- e. The proxy must:
 - 1) Conform to the specification contained in the County bylaws.
 - 2) Be signed by the giver within 30 days of the meeting at which it is to be used.
 - 3) Be attested to by a notary public or by two witnesses, not including the proxy carrier or the proxy giver.
- f. At any meeting at which proxies are used:
 - 1) Proxies must be submitted upon registration;
 - 2) At registration, the Credential and Tally Committee must have each Precinct Committeeman voter sign in opposite their name in a "Present by Proxy" column;
 - 3) The Credential and Tally Committee will issue each Precinct Committeeman voter a ballot for themselves and for the number of proxies they carry;
 - 4) The Credential and Tally Committee must certify the presence of a quorum before any business may be conducted;
 - 5) Members present by proxy count towards the quorum.
- G. The Statutory Organizational Meeting of the District shall be held no earlier than the second Saturday after the General Election and no later than the first Saturday in December.
- H. A quorum for the Statutory Organizational Meeting shall be twenty-five percent (25%) of the number of authorized Precinct Committeemen, present in person or by proxy.

ARTICLE V - ORGANIZATION

Section A. Officers

- 1. District officers shall be a Chairman, First Vice Chairman, Second Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.
- 2. These five officers shall be elected at the Statutory Organizational Meeting of the District, as prescribed by the Arizona Revised Statutes. These officers shall serve until the next Statutory Organizational Meeting, unless sooner removed as provided in Article VII, Section B, Removal of Office.
- 3. All District officers shall be Precinct Committeemen of Legislative District 25. If an officer moves within the District and is elected or appointed as a Precinct Committeeman in the officer's new precinct, the officer shall continue to hold the

elected District office.

4. Vacancies in an elected District office shall be filled by an election at the District meeting immediately following the meeting at which the vacancy is announced. The procedure to be followed in the conduct of such an election shall conform as closely as possible to that outlined for the bi-annual organizational election in these Bylaws.

Section B. Duties of Officers.

- 1. The duties of the Chairman, in addition to those specified in the County Bylaws, shall be:
 - a. Preside at all meetings of the District organization.
 - b. Represent the District as a member of the Maricopa County Executive Guidance Committee in accordance with the County Bylaws.
 - c. Appoint all committees and committee chairs with the advice of the Executive Committee, as required.
 - d. Inform members of the activities of the District, County and State organizations.
 - e. Appoint a committee to review the Treasurer's financial records annually.
- 2. The duties of the First Vice Chairman shall be:
 - a. Perform all duties of the Chairman in his absence.
 - b. Assist the Chairman and help Precinct Committeemen organize their precincts.
- 3. The duties of the Second Vice Chairman shall be:
 - a. Perform the duties of the Chairman if both the Chairman and the First Vice Chairman are absent.
 - b. Assist the Chairman and help precinct committeemen organize their precincts.
- 4. The duties of the Secretary shall be:
 - a. Take the minutes of all regular, Executive Committee, and Special meetings of the District.
 - b. Keep a complete and up-to-date roster of the Officers, Area Coordinators, Precinct Captains, Precinct Committeemen, and State Committeemen.
 - c. Process necessary correspondence and maintain the District's permanent records.
- 5. The duties of the Treasurer shall be:
 - a. Receive and be the custodian of all funds of the District and to pay all bills, upon authorization by the Chairman.
 - b. Keep an account of all monies received and disbursed, and to report in full at regular meetings and as required by the Chairman.
 - c. Submit an annual financial report to the District and such other reports as may be required by law.

Section C. Other Leadership Positions

Precinct Captains shall be elected and shall serve in accordance with County Bylaws.

Section D. Committees

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the five elected officers. The Executive Committee shall act as an advisory group to the Chairman and shall assist him in managing the affairs of the District. The committee shall meet at the call of the

District Chairman.

- 2. A Nominating Committee of three (3) or more members shall be appointed and announced by the Chairman at the regular meeting preceding the Statutory Organizational Meeting.
- 3. Precinct Committeemen Nominations a person nominated by the Precinct Captain and approved by the Chairman to fill a vacancy in the office of Precinct Committeeman shall be forwarded to the Chairman of the County for recommendation to the County Board of Supervisors for appointment to fill such vacancy.
- 4. A Credentials and Tally Committee of three (3) or more members shall be appointed by the Chairman prior to the Statutory Organizational Meeting. The committee shall ensure the eligibility of voting members and candidates for District office, tally the votes, and certify the results.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

- A. The District Chairman may authorize any individual expenditure up to \$100 for routine expenses, such as rent, printing, postage, etc. Expenditures are to be paid upon presentation of a receipt to the Treasurer. Expenditures in excess of \$100 shall be referred to the Executive Committee by the District Chairman for approval.
- B. The Chairman shall appoint an Audit Committee to audit the records of the Treasurer annually.

ARTICLE VII- ELECTIONS

A. Organizational Meeting

- 1. All officers shall be elected at the Statutory Organizational Meeting of the District by a majority vote of the elected Precinct Committeemen present in person or by proxy, as prescribed by law.
- 2. Any Precinct Committeeman wishing to be nominated for a District elected office shall submit a letter of intent to the Nominating Committee Chair at least 14 days prior to the Statutory Organizational Meeting.
- 3. All of the District elected offices will be considered on the same ballot: Chairman, First Vice Chairman, Second Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.
- 4. An elected Precinct Committeeman wishing to be nominated for State Committeeman shall submit a letter of intent to the Nominating Chair at least 14 days prior to the Statutory Organizational Meeting.
- 5. Nominations for District Officers and State Committeemen may be made from the floor.
- 6. Voting will be by ballot except where there is only one nominee for an office, in which case election may be by voice vote.
- 7. Conduct of elections:

a. The Credentials and Tally Committee will certify the number of eligible votes as of the Call to Order and present its report for adoption by the membership.

b. Upon adoption of the Credentials and Tally Committee report, the Nominating Committee will present its nominations in written form suitable for use as a ballot.

c. Nominations from the floor will be entertained prior to the vote for each elected office.

d. Each candidate for District office may have nominating and seconding speeches not to exceed two (2) minutes in total, if the candidate requests the time;

e. The election will be declared when a candidate receives the majority of the votes cast. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, a second ballot will be cast limited to the candidates that received the two highest number of votes on the first ballot.

f. Balloting for the office of State Committeeman will follow the balloting for District officers and will proceed as follows:

i. The election will be determined by the candidates receiving the largest number of votes until the District quota is filled.

ii. Elected State Committeemen shall attend, in person or by proxy, all meetings of the Arizona Republican Party.

8. A written challenge to a District abiding by the required objectives of its Statutory Organizational Meeting must be received by the County Chairman or member of the EGC Executive Board no later than three days following the first Saturday in December.

Section B. Removal from Office

An elected District officer, including the District Chairman, or a State Committeeman, may be removed, in accordance with the Maricopa County Republican Committee Bylaws, by a majority vote.

ARTICLE VIII- AMENDMENTS

- **Section A.** Amendments to these Bylaws shall be effected by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Precinct Committeemen voting in person or by proxy at a meeting called within 60 days of proposal to the Executive Committee, when noticed in the "call letter" and proposed agenda of any duly called meeting, provided a quorum is present as provided in Article IV, Section E of these Bylaws.
- **Section B.** Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by any Precinct Committeeman to the Executive Committee for review. The Executive Committee shall review all proposed amendments and recommend to the membership adoption or rejection of proposed amendments.

ARTICLE IX - APPLICABILITY

These Bylaws shall conform to and incorporate by reference the National, State and County Bylaws and the Arizona Revised Statutes.

ARTICLE X - DURATION

Upon ratification, these Bylaws shall take effect at the close of the meeting at which they are voted upon and shall continue in effect until amended as provided for in Article VIII of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern this organization in all matters of procedure not covered in these Bylaws.

APPROVED AT THE DULY CALLED MEETING OF THE LEGISLATVE DISTRICT 25 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2022

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