

CONSTITUTION  
of the  
DOUGLAS COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
*(Last updated March 19, 2022)*

ARTICLE I - NAME

The Douglas County Democratic Party is established on behalf of all citizens registered as Democrats in Douglas County, Nebraska and is affiliated with the Nebraska Democratic Party and the National Democratic Party.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The object and purpose of this organization is to contribute to the growth and influence of the Democratic Party, to encourage interest among voters in the Democratic Party, to advocate for public policies, to participate in political campaigns, to develop leadership, to encourage suitable candidates to run for office on the Democratic ticket, to raise and expend funds for political purposes, to increase party responsibility, to maintain and promote unity within party ranks, and generally to exercise all rights, powers, and privileges granted by the laws of the United States, the laws of the State of Nebraska, and the rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party and National Democratic Party.

ARTICLE III - AUTHORITY

This Constitution supersedes any and all previous constitutions, bylaws, and rules of the Douglas County Democratic Party. This Constitution shall be the supreme governing document of this organization unless in violation of any law of the State of Nebraska, any law of the United States of America, or any charter, constitution, bylaw, or rule of the Nebraska Democratic Party or the National Democratic Party. This Constitution shall be effective upon adjournment of the adopting County Convention.

ARTICLE IV - ORGANIZATION OF THE PARTY

Section 1. COUNTY CONVENTION

- A. The Douglas County Democratic Convention, which is constituted and empowered according to state law and by the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party, is the governing body of the Douglas County Democratic Party.

- B. The County Convention shall meet every two (2) years and shall: elect County Party officers, consider and vote on any proposed amendments to this Constitution and the County Bylaws, and elect delegates and alternates to the Nebraska Democratic State Convention. The County Convention may also act on other business as brought before it.

#### Section 2. COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE

- A. A committee, called the County Central Committee, shall exist between sessions of the Convention and shall have duties as assigned by the Convention, this Constitution, or the County Bylaws. The County Central Committee shall be composed of the County Party officers, representatives of the several Nebraska Legislative Districts in Douglas County, representatives from any County Caucus Organization as provided in Article VII of this Constitution, and any additional members elected as provided in Article VI of this Constitution. The representatives from the Legislative Districts shall be elected in Legislative District caucuses at each County Convention.
- B. Regular meetings of the County Central Committee shall number no less than seven (7) per calendar year. These meetings are to be held at a time and place agreed upon by the Central Committee.
- C. Special meetings of the County Central Committee may be called as specified in the Bylaws.

#### Section 3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

An Executive Committee shall be formed consisting of the officers of the Douglas County Democratic Party. Non-voting members of this committee may be appointed as directed by this Constitution or the County Bylaws. The tenure of these additional members shall be for a time specific or automatically terminate with the close of the next County Convention following such appointment.

### ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

#### Section 1. PARTY OFFICERS

Officers of the Douglas County Democratic Party shall be: Chair, Vice Chair (of a different gender as that of the Chair), Secretary, Treasurer, African American Representative, LatinX Representative, and Diversity Representative (must gender balance against the African American and LatinX Representatives).

#### Section 2. ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE

- A. The method for the election of Douglas County Democratic Party officers shall be:

- i. At the County Convention, the certified delegates shall elect from their numbers persons to serve as officers of the Douglas County Democratic Party;
  - ii. Nominations shall be made from the floor and officers shall be elected by majority vote of the certified delegates;
  - iii. All officers shall take office immediately prior to the adjournment of the Convention.
- B. The terms of each office shall be the period between County Conventions.

#### ARTICLE VI - CENTRAL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

- A. The Democrats in the County in each of the several Nebraska Legislative Districts shall elect four (4) County Central Committee members, with no more than two of the same gender. Each Legislative District's County Central Committee members shall be elected by majority vote of the certified delegates to the County Convention from the respective Legislative District and reside in the Legislative District that they represent.
- B. When the County Convention is not in session, the County Central Committee may nominate and elect additional members of the County Central Committee. A motion may be made at the beginning of the meeting to seat those persons who have attended at least two consecutive meetings of the County Central Committee and are attending their third consecutive meeting. Such additional members must be registered Democrats residing in the county.

#### ARTICLE VII - COUNTY CAUCUS ORGANIZATIONS (CCO)

- A. In order to broaden representation of minority and traditionally under-represented communities within the Douglas County Democratic Party, County Caucus Organizations may be recognized and will function as provided in this Constitution or the County Bylaws.
- B. The Chair of each recognized CCO shall represent the CCO on the County Central Committee. Each CCO Chair shall be elected by a majority vote of the members of the CCO.

#### ARTICLE VIII - COUNTY BYLAWS

The Douglas County Democratic Party may adopt County Bylaws for the periodic and timely administration of the party.

## ARTICLE IX - AMENDING THIS CONSTITUTION

Proposals to amend this Constitution in part or in whole may be presented to the County Convention for its consideration. Such proposals must be given in writing to the Secretary of the County Party thirty (30) days prior to ~~of~~ the Convention. Approval of the proposals requires a majority vote of the certified County Convention Delegates. If approved, the proposals become amendments effective immediately.

BYLAWS  
of the  
DOUGLAS COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
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I - COUNTY CONVENTION

Section 1. ORGANIZATION OF THE CONVENTION

- A. The County Central Committee shall fix the time and place for the County Convention in accordance with state law, the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party, and the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Douglas County Democratic Party.
- B. The Douglas County Democratic Convention shall have a temporary chair and temporary secretary to convene and organize the Convention. The County Chair shall nominate a temporary chair and temporary secretary, subject to the approval of the County Central Committee.
- C. A Convention Logistics Committee shall be appointed by the County Chair, subject to the approval of the County Central Committee. The duties of the Convention Logistics Committee shall be as specified in these Bylaws, or as directed by the County Chair with the advice and consent of the County Central Committee.
- D. Subcommittees may be formed to facilitate organization of the Convention. These committees shall be appointed by the County Chair and have duties as prescribed.

Section 2. DELEGATES TO THE COUNTY CONVENTION

- A. Delegates to the County Convention must be registered Democrats and reside in Douglas County.
- B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, delegates to the County Convention will be selected according to the rules and procedures of the Nebraska Democratic Party.
- C. The Convention Logistics Committee shall prepare a list for the Secretary of the County Convention with the names and addresses of all duly selected and accredited delegates.
- D. The Convention Logistics Committee may provide for preregistration of delegates to the County Convention, but preregistration shall not be required.

Section 3. OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION

- A. The Officers of the Convention shall consist of a Chair, Vice Chair (of a different gender than that of the Chair), a Secretary, a Sergeant at Arms, and any other officers as deemed appropriate by the Convention Logistics Committee.

- B. Nominations for Officers of the Convention shall be made by the Convention Logistics Committee. In addition, nominations may be made from the floor of the Convention by any duly accredited delegate. The Officers of the Convention shall be elected by majority vote of the delegates and shall assume office upon election.

#### Section 4. BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION

- A. The Convention Logistics Committee shall prepare recommendations for rules and order of business to be adopted by the County Convention.
- B. The County Convention shall consider resolutions and proposed planks for inclusion in the Nebraska Democratic Party platform, provided such resolutions or proposed planks are submitted to the Convention Logistics Committee at least two weeks prior to the Convention. Upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote, resolutions may also be presented in writing from the floor of the convention.
- C. The Convention shall consider such business as is stipulated in the Constitution; these Bylaws; the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party; or as is brought before it by an accredited delegate to the Convention.

#### Section 5. LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT CAUCUSES

- A. Within the meeting time of the Convention, the Convention shall cause to be convened caucuses of the several legislative districts contained within Douglas County. Membership in each legislative district caucus shall be those accredited Convention delegates from that district.
- B. Each caucus shall be convened by (i) one (1) of the Legislative District Representatives to the **County** Central Committee, if a delegate, or (ii) if a Representative is not a delegate, by **a** member of the caucus **designated by the County Chair**. The caucus shall elect a Chair and Secretary. The Chair shall (i) preside at the caucus, (ii) poll the **delegates** as directed by the County Convention Chair; and (iii) announce the results of such polling to the Convention. The Secretary shall take minutes of the caucus and furnish any reports required by the caucus Chair or the Convention Secretary or Chair.
- C. Each caucus shall conduct such business as directed by the Convention Chair; the County Constitution; these Bylaws; the Constitution, Bylaws, or Rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party; or as brought before it by its members.

#### Section 6. COUNTY CAUCUS ORGANIZATIONS (CCO)

- A. In conjunction with County Convention, each recognized CCO shall meet for the purpose of conducting elections for the positions of County Caucus Chair and County Caucus Secretary.
- B. A CCO must have at least five (5) members present at the County Convention for the purpose of elections and recertification of their Caucus. If a CCO does not have the minimum number of members to facilitate a recertification, the CCO may recertify per the Constitution and Bylaws of this organization.

- C. The Secretary of the CCO will report the election results to the County Convention.

## II - COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE

### Section 1. OFFICERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

The officers of the County Central Committee shall be the County Party officers elected at the County Convention.

### Section 2. LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- A. The duties of the Legislative District Representatives are (i) to attend all meetings and other functions of the Douglas County Democratic Party; (ii) To be responsive to the registered Democrats in that Legislative District; (iii) to organize at the precinct or other local level within the Legislative District; (iv) establish Legislative District caucuses; and (v) attend fundraisers and meetings for the Democratic Party and its candidates.
- B. If a delegate misses more than two meetings without notification, they relinquish their position.

### Section 3. COUNTY CAUCUS ORGANIZATIONS (CCO)

- A. County Caucus Organizations (CCOs) shall be recognized to aid and assist the County Party in organizing a specific constituency for the benefit of the party and its candidates for elected office.
- B. A CCO may be formed and organized by (i) fulfilling the criteria for such formation and organization; (ii) applying for recognition as a CCO to the Committee on Rules and Organization; (iii) receiving a recommendation by the Committee on Rules and Organization to the County Central Committee; and (iv) being approved by a majority vote of the County Central Committee.
- C. In order to remain a recognized and certified CCO in good standing, the CCO must; (i) hold regular meetings; (ii) support Democratic candidates for election; (iii) recruit Democratic candidates for public office from their community; (iv) maintain attendance requirements by the Caucus Chair; (v) make reports to the Central Committee on the CCO's activities; (vi) promote the Douglas County Democratic Party within in their Community; and (vii) ensure that all funds of the CCO are received by the County Treasurer as provided in Article 3, Section 4 of these bylaws.
- D. A CCO shall take no public position that is inconsistent with the Nebraska Democratic Party Platform and shall not publicly endorse a candidate who is not a registered Democrat in any election.

Section 4. COMMITTEES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

- A. The County Central Committee has two (2) types of committees: Standing Committees and Special Committees.
- B. Standing Committees shall be permanent between County Conventions. The chair and members of each standing committees shall be appointed by the County Chair with the approval of the County Executive Committee, unless otherwise provided in these Bylaws.
- C. Standing Committees shall consist of, but not be limited to, the Finance and Audit Committee, the Committee on Rules and Organization, the Fundraising Committee, and the Candidate Search Committee. The County Central Committee may establish other standing committees.
  1. The Finance and Audit Committee shall be chaired by the Treasurer. Membership shall consist of the Vice Chair and at least three (3) other members of the County Central Committee. The committee shall: (i) formulate an annual budget for approval by the County Central Committee; (ii) negotiate for professional accounting and/or auditing services from a list of Democratic Certified Public Accountants or from a list of Democratic Accountants who hold at least a bachelor's degree in accounting from an accredited university and who have been engaged in the practice of accounting for a minimum of five (5) years in a lump sum fee or gratis; (iii) receive any audit and report such to the County Central Committee; (iv) assist the Treasurer in the performance of the Treasurer's duties; and (v) perform such duties as assigned by the County Chair or the County Central Committee.
  2. The Committee on Rules and Organization shall be chaired by the Vice Chair. The membership of the committee shall consist of the Secretary and at least three (3) members of the County Central Committee. The committee shall: (i) ensure that the members of the County Central Committee are properly credentialed; (ii) ensure that the County Central Committee properly follows the Constitution, these Bylaws, and any superior authority, including but not limited to the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party and the Charter and Bylaws of the National Democratic Party; (iii) assist the Chair in the proper organization of the County Central Committee; and (iv) perform such duties as assigned by the County Chair or the County Central Committee.
  3. The Candidate Search Committee shall be composed of the County Chair, County Central Committee members, and other interested Democrats. The committee shall: (i) seek Democratic candidates for any elective office in the county; and (ii) seek candidates for vacancies which may occur in any elective office in the county. Additionally, the committee shall have duties assigned by the County Chair or the County Central Committee.
  4. The Fundraising Committee shall be chaired by an appointee of the County Chair. Membership shall consist of the entire County Executive Committee and ten (10) members of the County Central Committee. The



Committee shall: (i) assist in planning and execution of all fundraising activities by the Party; (ii) create a fundraising plan utilizing the GEM Program, events, individual asks and call time to support the annual budget developed by the Finance and Audit Committee; and (iii) perform such tasks as assigned by the County Chair or the County Central Committee.

- D. Special committees may be appointed by the County Chair as deemed necessary, with the approval of the County Central Committee. Membership on these committees may not necessarily be restricted to members of the Committee Central Committee.

#### Section 5. SPECIAL MEETINGS

Unless otherwise specified in the Constitution or these Bylaws, special meetings shall be at the call of the County Chair or by petition of any seven (7) elected members of the County Central Committee. Unless otherwise specified in the Constitution or these Bylaws, notification of a special meeting shall be sent to the members of the County Central Committee at least five (5) days prior to the meeting.

#### Section 6. ELECTRONIC MEETINGS

- A. Meetings of the County Central Committee, any standing committees, or any special committees may be called as being in-person, electronic, or as a hybrid meeting allowing both options at the discretion of the committee's chair unless the committee establishes a standing rule specifying otherwise.
- B. Electronic and hybrid meetings must allow for simultaneous aural communication of all participants.
- C. The call for any electronic or hybrid meeting must include any instructions required for members to participate.
- D. The chair of any electronic or hybrid meeting shall instruct attendees on voting procedure. Voting must be public and either visible or audible to all participants. Voting members shall be distinguished from non-voting members and guests.
- E. Members attending virtually shall be counted towards quorum.

#### Section 7. QUORUM

- A. A quorum to conduct business of any meeting of the County Central Committee shall be twenty (20) of the elected members in good standing. A quorum of any standing or special committee shall be a majority of the members of that committee.

### III - COUNTY OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

#### Section 1. COUNTY CHAIR

- A. The County Chair shall: (i) serve as chief executive officer of the Douglas County Democratic Party; (ii) direct the daily activities of the Executive Director; (iii) serve as the party spokesperson and representative of the County Party at all official party functions; (iv) state the position of the Douglas County Democratic Party on issues with the advice and consent of the County Central Committee; (v) preside over all meetings of the County Central Committee, fundraisers, and other events sponsored by or performed under the auspices of the Douglas County Democratic Party; (vi) and appoint any non-voting members of the County Executive Committee to assist in the administration of County Party affairs with the advice and consent of the County Central Committee.
- B. The County Chair shall be an ex-officio member of any committee of the Douglas County Democratic Party.

#### Section 2. COUNTY VICE CHAIR

- A. The County Vice Chair shall be of a different gender than that of the County Chair.
- B. The County Vice Chair shall: (i) serve as Chair in the absence of the Chair and in such capacity, possess all powers accorded to the Chair; (ii) serve as the representative of the County Chair at the County Chair's direction; (iii) chair the Committee on Rules and Organization; (iv) serve on the Finance and Audit Committee; (v) and be responsible for parliamentary procedures and order by serving as, or delegating someone to serve as, a parliamentarian and/or Sergeant-at-Arms as required. Such delegation requires approval of the County Central Committee.

#### Section 3. COUNTY SECRETARY

- A. The County Secretary shall: (i) be responsible for the production, filing and maintenance, and delivery of all party records with the exception of those maintained by the Treasurer; (ii) be responsible for the monitoring of attendance and the official declaration of any vacancies on the County Central Committee; (iii) be responsible for the maintenance and operation of the office equipment of the County Party; (iv) maintain a master copy of the Constitution and the Bylaws; (v) and distribute the Constitution, Bylaws, and other appropriate materials to new members of the County Central Committee.
- B. The Secretary shall provide notice of regular and special meetings of the County Central Committee as required by the Constitution or Bylaws. The Secretary shall ensure that minutes of regular and special meetings of the County Central Committee are provided to County Central Committee members at least seven (7) days prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the County Central Committee.

#### Section 4. COUNTY TREASURER

- A. The County Treasurer shall: (i) be responsible for the receiving, depositing in an FDIC-Insured financial institution, and accounting of all funds, cash, negotiable instruments, and assets accruing to the interest of the Douglas County Democratic Party and all affiliated CCOs; (ii) provide a continuous written-report of all such assets to the County Central Committee; (iii) be responsible for preparing all instruments and records of expenditures and liabilities; (iv) provide a continuous written report of all revenue, expenditures, and liabilities to the Central Committee; (v) and be responsible for reconciliation of assets and liabilities determined in a written report to the Central Committee and combining the requirements as noted in this section.
- B. The Treasurer shall also provide a written report containing the above elements to the County Convention to cover the period since the previous County Convention.
- C. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the timely preparation and delivery of all required reports to the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission, the Federal Election Commission, the Internal Revenue Service or other authorized agency as may be required by law.

#### Section 5. AFRICAN AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVE

- A. The African American Representative shall be the organization's liaison to the African American community and shall strengthen the relationship between the Party and this community. The African American Representative must be a Black African, Black, Caribbean, Indo-Caribbean, or self-identify as a descendent of the indigenous peoples of the African Diaspora, and shall not also serve simultaneously as the Chair of any CCO.
- B. The African American Representative shall work with any relevant CCO or Affiliated Caucus Organization or Affiliated Policy Council of the Nebraska Democratic Party and leaders of the African American community to focus on the concerns and goals of the African American community in Douglas County.
- C. The African American Representative shall have duties as assigned to them by the Constitution, these Bylaws, or the County Chair.

#### Section 6. LATINX REPRESENTATIVE

- A. The LatinX Representative shall be the organizations liaison to the LatinX community and shall strengthen the relationship between the Party and this community. The LatinX Representative must be a LatinX, Hispanic, Chicanix, Mexican-American, and/or self-identified as a descendant or first generation immigrant from a country from the Americas south of the United States and/or the Caribbean islands and shall not also serve simultaneously as the Chair of any CCO.
- B. The LatinX Representative shall work with any relevant CCO or Affiliated Caucus Organization or Affiliated Policy Council of the Nebraska Democratic

Party and leaders of the LatinX to focus on the concerns and goals of the LatinX community in Douglas County.

- C. The LatinX Representative shall have duties as assigned to them by the Constitution, these Bylaws, or the County Chair.

#### Section 7. DIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVE

- A. The Diversity Representative shall be the organization's liaison to the widely diverse community of Douglas County and the underrepresented communities of Douglas County and shall strengthen the relationship between those communities and the Party. The Diversity Representative must meet one of the following additional credentials: be a recognized racial minority defined as Asian-Pacific, Asian-Indian or Native American or a member of a religious minority as being non-Christian and including agnostics and atheists or a member of the Disability or LGBT Communities. This member's primary credential may not be as a member of a racial minority defined as African American or LatinX and may not also serve simultaneously as the Chair of any CCO.
- B. The Diversity Representative must gender balance the collection of the African American and LatinX Representative.
- C. The Diversity Representative shall work with any relevant CCO or Affiliated Caucus Organization or Affiliated Policy Council of the Nebraska Democratic Party and leaders of various community organizations to focus on the concerns and goals of diversity throughout our community in Douglas County.
- D. The Diversity Representative shall have duties as assigned to them by the Constitution, these Bylaws, or the County Chair.

#### Section 8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- A. The members of the County Executive Committee shall be the Officers of the Party.
- B. The duties of the County Executive Committee shall be to: (i) take actions as directed by the County Convention, the Constitution, or these Bylaws; (ii) hire and supervise any employees of the County Party; (iii) act in accordance with the wishes of the County Central Committee; and (iv) meet as deemed necessary by the County Chair between County Central Committee meetings.
- C. The County Executive Committee shall be authorized to execute necessary actions during the interim between County Central Committee meetings.

### IV - VACANCIES

#### Section 1. COUNTY OFFICERS

- A. Vacancies in any county officer position shall exist for any of the following reasons: (i) three (3) cumulative unexcused absences within the period between

County Conventions; (ii) resignation; (iii) change of party affiliation; (iv) change of residence to outside Douglas County; or (v) removal from office.

- B. A vacancy in the position of County Chair shall automatically be filled by the Vice Chair. However, the Vice Chair may, within ten (10) days of assuming the office of Chair, notify the County Executive Committee that they do not wish to accept or continue in the position of Chair. In such case, the Chair vacancy shall be declared and shall be filled in the manner as set forth in Section C below. The Vice Chair shall then continue to serve as Chair until a new Chair is elected and then return to office of Vice Chair upon election of Chair. The office of Vice Chair shall not be filled during this time period.
- C. Vacancies in the position of Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, African American Representative, LatinX Representative, and Diversity Representative shall be filled at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the County Central Committee following the announcement of the vacancy in the following manner: (i) announcement of such vacancy shall be sent to all County Central Committee members at least seven (7) days prior to action on such vacancy; (ii) nominations to fill such vacancy may be made by the remainder of the County Executive Committee or by any member of the County Central Committee; and (iii) a majority vote of those present and voting of the County Central Committee shall certify such nominee to be elected to office, effective immediately.
- D. An officer who has three (3) unexcused absences shall be ineligible for the election to that office for one (1) year, or until the next County Convention.
- E. The County Chair, or the County Secretary, shall grant an excused absence to any member giving notification of their absence prior to the meeting.

## Section 2. LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- A. Vacancies in any position of Legislative District Representative shall exist for any of the following reasons: (i) three (3) cumulative unexcused absences within the period between County Conventions; (ii) resignations; (iii) change in party affiliation; (iv) change of residence to outside the Legislative District; or (v) removal from office.
- B. A Legislative District Representative who has three (3) unexcused absences shall be ineligible for election to the County Central Committee for one (1) year or until the next County Convention.
- C. Vacancies shall be filled at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the County Central Committee following the announcement of such vacancy in the following manner: (i) announcement of such vacancy shall be made at the next regularly scheduled meeting after the vacancy is known; (ii) nominations to fill such vacancy may be made by any member of the County Central Committee; and (iii) a majority vote of those present and voting of the County Central Committee shall certify such nominee to be elected as Legislative District Representative, effective immediately.
- D. The County Chair or the County Secretary shall grant an excused absence to any member giving notification of their absence prior to the meeting.

### Section 3. COUNTY CAUCUS ORGANIZATION CHAIR

- A. Vacancies in the position of any County Caucus Chair shall exist for any of the following reasons: (i) three (3) cumulative unexcused absences within the period between County Conventions; (ii) resignations; (iii) change in party affiliation; or (iv) removal from office.
- B. Vacancies shall be filled at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the County Central Committee following the announcement of such vacancy in the following manner: (i) announcement of such vacancy shall be made at the next regularly scheduled meeting after the vacancy is known; (ii) a majority vote of the membership of the County Caucus in which a minimum of 10 members are in attendance.
- C. The County Chair or County Secretary shall grant an excused absence to any member giving notification of their absence prior to the meeting.

## V - REMOVAL FROM OFFICE

### Section 1. LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- A. Upon petition of twenty-five percent (25%) of the members of the County Central Committee or 25 registered Democrats residing in the legislative district, a special meeting of the County Central Committee to consider removal of a Representative of the Legislative District shall be called or the removal shall be considered at the next County Central Committee. The grounds for removal shall be (i) violation of the County Party Constitution; (ii) violation of these Bylaws; (iii) violation of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party; (iv) conviction of a felonious crime against the State of Nebraska or the United States of America; or (v) actions or omissions detrimental to the Democratic Party.
- B. A three-fourths (75%) majority of those members in good standing of the County Central Committee present shall be required to affect a removal, which shall be effective immediately.

### Section 2. OFFICERS

- A. Upon petition of twenty-five percent (25%) of the members of the County Central Committee, a special meeting to consider removal of an officer of the County Party shall be called or the removal shall be considered at the next County Central Committee meeting. The grounds for removal shall be: (i) violation of the County Party Constitution; (ii) violation of these Bylaws; (iii) violation of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party; (iv) conviction of a felonious crime against the State of Nebraska or the United States of America; or (v) actions or omissions detrimental to the Democratic Party.

- B. A three-fourths (75%) majority of those members in good standing of the County Central Committee present shall be required to affect a removal, which shall be effective immediately.

### Section 3. COUNTY CAUCUS CHAIR

- A. Upon petition of twenty-five percent (25%) of the members of the County Central Committee or 10 members of the CCO of which the Caucus Chair is a member, a special meeting to consider removal of a Chair of a CCO shall be called or the removal shall be considered at the next County Central Committee meeting. The grounds for removal shall be: (i) violation of the County Party Constitution; (ii) violation of these Bylaws; (iii) violation of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Nebraska Democratic Party; (iv) conviction of a felonious crime against the State of Nebraska or the United States of America; or (v) actions or omissions detrimental to the Democratic Party.
- B. A three-fourths (75%) majority of those members in good standing of the County Central Committee present shall be required to affect a removal, which shall be effective immediately.

## VI - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

- A. The rules contained in the current Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the parliamentary authority in all matters not covered by the Constitution or Bylaws of the Douglas County Democratic Party as long as they are not in conflict with the Constitutions, Rules, Bylaws or Procedures of the Nebraska Democratic Party or National Democratic Party.

## VIII - AMENDING THESE BYLAWS

- A. These Bylaws may be adopted or amended by a majority vote of the elected members of the entire County Central Committee, or by a majority vote of the certified delegates to the County Convention. Such adoptions or amendments shall be effective upon approval.