

**REPUBLICAN PARTY OF DARE COUNTY
PLAN OF ORGANIZATION
MARCH 22, 2025**

PREAMBLE

We, the Members of the Republican Party of Dare County, North Carolina, dedicated to the principles fostered by that party, conscious of our civic responsibilities and rights, firm in our determination to give our strength to preserving the American principle that government ought and must be of all the people, by all of the people and for all of the people do, for the purpose of uniting and coordinating our efforts for maximum effectiveness and efficiency, herewith establish this instrument, The Plan of Organization of the Dare County Republican Party of North Carolina. The mission of the Dare County Republican Party is to elect Republicans to office, and influence their legislative actions.

ARTICLE 1 - MEMBERSHIP

All Citizens of Dare County who are registered Republicans are Members of the Republican Party of Dare County, North Carolina and shall have the right to participate in the official affairs of the Republican Party in accordance with these rules. All reference herein to Delegates, Alternates, Officers and Members shall, in all cases, mean persons registered with the Republican Party in the Precinct of their residence. Any person running for Party office within the North Carolina Republican Party, at any level, shall be a resident of the jurisdiction in which he seeks office. In the event a candidate for public office was not a registered Republican as of January 31 of the year prior to the election in which that candidate seeks election, the Executive Committee of the jurisdiction may disqualify such candidate from recognition, endorsement, and the utilization of party resources.

ARTICLE II - PRECINCT ORGANIZATION

A. ANNUAL PRECINCT MEETINGS

1. Call for Meetings

In every year, the County Chair shall call Precinct Meetings during the month of February or March, after giving no less than 10 days .m, as provided for in Article IXI.1, of the State Plan of Organization, to each Precinct Chair and by Public Notice as provided for in Article IX.I.3 of the State Plan of Organization. The Precinct Chairmen will also be informed as to the number of registered Republicans entitled to cast votes at the county convention, and in accordance with Article IX.I.3 of the State Plan of Organization. Failure of the County Chair to act in compliance with the provision above shall be cause for any Member of the County Executive Committee to call said Precinct Meetings by Public Notice as provided for in Article IX.I.3 of the State Plan of Organization.. Every Republican registered as of January 31 preceding the Meetings shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote, except that the January 31 requirement shall not apply to residents who have moved into the Precinct within 30 days of the Precinct Meeting.

2. Election of Precinct Officers

At odd-year Precinct Meetings, at which a quorum is one (1) person, attendees shall elect a Precinct Committee Consisting of a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and as many Members-at-Large as deemed necessary to conduct the business of the Precinct. Members of the Precinct Committee shall hold their offices for two (2) years or until their successors are chosen. There shall be no proxy voting.

3. Election of Precinct Delegates

The annual Precinct Meetings shall elect one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate to the County Convention. They shall also elect 1 additional Delegate and Alternate for each 100 registered Republican voters, or major fraction thereof, in the precinct as of January 31 of that year. In determining the number of registered Republicans to be used as the basis for the num-

ber of additional Delegates and Alternates to be elected in the precinct under this calculation, a County may adopt in its Plan of Organization, a basis number of registered Republican voters less than 100 but, in so doing, must assure proportional representation of all registered Republican voters in the county. If a member cannot attend the annual precinct meeting and wishes to become a delegate to the County Convention, they must submit a written request to the precinct chair, or, in the event of combined precinct meetings, to the Party Vice Chair, prior to or during the precinct meeting. No member shall be added to the delegate rolls after the adjournment of the precinct meeting. Written requests should be considered only after all Delegate and Alternate Delegate positions have been filled by those candidates present at the Precinct Meeting.

4. Certification and Delivery of Annual Precinct Meeting Results

Promptly after the adjournment of the Annual Meeting, the Secretary of the Combined Precinct Meeting shall

- (i) certify to the County Secretary and the Chair of the County Credentials Committee the full legal names, residence addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of those elected as Officers and Delegates or Alternates at the Meeting.
- (ii) No Delegate or Alternate shall be added to the Credentials List following the adjournment of the Annual Combined Precinct Meeting.

5. Other Precinct Meetings

a. Other meetings of the Precinct General Membership may be held at such times as shall be designated by the Chair of the precinct committee after giving 5 days' Public Notice, as provided in Article IX.I.3, of such Meeting, or by such other method of notification as may be specified in the County Plan of Organization; or upon similar call of 1/3 of the Members of the Precinct Committee, or 10 Members of the general Precinct Membership. There shall be no proxy voting.

b. In the event a Precinct fails to properly organize or the Precinct Chair fails to act, the County Chair shall appoint a Temporary Precinct Chair who shall serve for a period not to exceed 60 days, during which time a County Executive Committee Meeting shall be called and a new Precinct Chair shall be elected by the County Executive Committee. All County Executive Committee members present at a County Executive Committee Meeting called for the purpose of electing a new Precinct Chair may vote in the election; there is no requirement for a voting County Executive Committee member to be registered in the precinct for which a new Precinct Chair is being elected.

6. Annual Precinct Meetings Scheduling

When circumstances beyond the control of the County Party prevent access to, or use of, the annual precinct facilities(s) (including but not limited to inclement weather conditions), it shall be the responsibility of the County Chair to consult with the County Vice-Chair, County Secretary and County Treasurer/Finance Chair and make a decision on the cancellation and rescheduling of said Annual Precinct Meetings in the most timely manner possible. All efforts should be made by the County Chair to notify local news outlets, and social media outlets, of said cancellation and rescheduling information. Notice of cancellation and rescheduling shall be given to Republican State Headquarters within twenty-four (24) hours or on the next business day.

B. PRECINCT COMMITTEE

1. Duties of Precinct Committee

The Precinct committee shall cooperate with the County Executive Committee in all elections and Party activities, provide the County Chair with a list of Party Members within the Precinct suitable for appointment as election Officials, and promote the objectives of the Party within the Precinct.

2. Duties of Precinct Committee Officers

The Chair of the Precinct committee, with the advice and consent of the Precinct Committee, shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Party within the Precinct, shall preside at all Meetings of the Precinct, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Precinct Committee or the County Executive Committee. Such duties include, but are not limited to, placement and removal of candidate yard signs in his or her precinct, and assisting to ensure that the precincts, including any early voting sites are sufficiently covered with volunteers on voting days. The Vice-Chair shall function as Chair in the absence of the Chair. The Secretary shall keep all minutes and records and shall maintain a list of registered Republican voters and workers within the Precinct, unless otherwise provided by the Precinct committee or the County Executive Committee.

3. Vacancies and Removals

a. Vacancy due to death, resignation, discontinuance of residency within the Precinct, removal of any Officer or Member of the Precinct Committee, or for any other reason, shall be filled by the remaining Members of the Precinct Committee. In the absence of any remaining precinct committee members, the County Chair can temporarily fill the vacancy for a period not to exceed sixty days. During this period a County Executive Committee Meeting shall be called and a new Precinct Chair shall be elected by the County Executive Committee.

b. The procedure for removal of any Member or Officer is defined in Article IV. A.1 of this plan. Such removal may be appealed to the County Executive committee within twenty (20) days and their decision shall be final.

ARTICLE III - COUNTY ORGANIZATION

A. ANNUAL CONVENTION

1. Call of Convention

a. Prior to March 1st of every year, a County Convention shall be called by the County Chair to be held at a suitable location within the County, during the month of March, at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled District Convention or Conventions in which the county is entitled to participate, and following procedures contained in Article IX.1.3 of the State Plan of Organization. The County Chair shall call the County Convention with ten (10) days notice by Public Notice as provided in Article IX.1.3 of the State Plan of Organization.

b. At or about the time of the call of the Convention, the County Chair with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee, shall appoint a Credentials Committee, consisting of no less than three (3) people, who will meet and issue its report on Delegates and Alternates certified to that Convention. If Precinct Meetings are held prior to the County Convention, the Credentials Committee shall issue its report on Delegates and Alternates certified to the County Convention at least 3 days in advance of the convening of the County Convention. When Precinct Meetings are held prior to the date of the County Convention, all Delegates and Alternates challenged in the report of the Credentials Committee shall be notified prior to the day convening of the Convention and allowed to present their case to the Credentials committee prior to the convening of the Convention. If the Precinct Meetings and the County Convention are held concurrently on the same day, the Credentials Committee shall issue its report on Delegates and Alternates certified to the County Convention prior to the transaction of any business at the County Convention. When Precinct Meetings are held concurrently on the same day with the County Convention, all Delegates and Alternates challenged in the report of the Credentials committee shall be notified on that day and allowed to present their case to the Credentials Committee. The Delegates and Alternates elected at Precinct Meetings, unless successfully challenged, shall sit as Delegates and Alternates to the County Convention.

c. If the County Chair fails, refuses or neglects to call a County Convention as required by this Article, it shall become the duty of the Vice-Chair to act

in this capacity. The 1st Vice-Chair shall follow the written notice procedures given in Article IX.I.1. of the State Plan of Organization. If the County Chair or 1st Vice-Chair does not call such a Meeting, it shall be cause for any Member of the County Executive Committee, with the approval of the Congressional District Chair, to call such County Convention.

d. No member of a Credentials Committee created by this Plan shall be eligible to be elected to an officer or Executive Committee position at the Convention for which the Credentials Committee serves, nor shall a Committee member publicly support anyone for an office to be elected by said Convention. Except when voting in the Convention, members of the Credentials Committee shall strive to maintain the integrity of the Convention and the Committee by conducting the business of the Committee with impartiality and strict neutrality on the business and election of said Convention.

e. If no delegate or Alternate from an unorganized precinct is credentialed by the County Credentials Committee, then those registered Republicans attending the County Convention from any of those precincts, shall be invited to the convention floor and may collectively cast one vote at the convention.

2. Convention Action

a. Each year, the county convention shall adopt or amend a written County Plan of Organization which is consistent with the State Plan of Organization, a current copy of which shall be on file at County Headquarters and at State Headquarters. If the County Convention fails to adopt a written County Plan of Organization, the previously adopted County Plan of Organization shall remain in effect, to the extent not inconsistent with the State Plan of Organization. Failure to comply may result in the County Delegation not being seated at the State Convention by the Credentials Committee. Failure of the County Republican Party to submit a County Plan to the NCGOP State Headquarters, within 30 days of its adoption, shall constitute agree-

ment by the County Party to adopt the State Plan of Organization for that county.

b. Elections

i. In every odd-numbered year the Dare County Convention shall elect Dare County Republican Party Officers consisting of a Chair, 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer/Finance Chair, and other officers as may be deemed necessary, who shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until their successors are elected. The officers shall take office upon the adjournment of the Convention at which they were elected.

ii. In every odd-numbered year the County Convention shall elect 5 at-large members, who shall serve for a term of two (2) year or until their successors are elected. The County Executive Committee may elect additional members to serve on the County Executive Committee in addition to those members previously elected by the County Convention. County Executive Committee members shall take office immediately upon the adjournment of the Convention at which they were elected.

iii. The County Convention shall elect one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate to Congressional District and State Conventions, plus one (1) additional Delegate and one (1) Alternate for every 250 Republicans, or major fraction thereof, registered in the county as of January 31 of that year. Each County shall further elect 1 Delegate and Alternate for each Republican elected to the state legislature and to public office on the state or national level from said County in the last election held for that office. With respect to the District Convention, the additional one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate shall only be elected to the District in which said Republican elected to the State Legislature and to public office on the state or national level actually lives. There shall be no proxy voting.

3. Credentials

The Chair and Secretary of the County Executive Committee shall certify the election of Officers, Committee Members, Delegates and Alternates and precinct Chairmen to the District and State Conventions, on forms furnished by the State Central Committee and in conformance with Article VII of the State Plan of Organization. Completed Credentials shall be in the hands of the Congressional District Secretary and the State Headquarters by the deadline set by the State Chair. All County Credentials for the State Convention should be mailed to State Headquarters no later than 10 days following the date of the County Convention, or the deadline set by the State Chair, whichever date comes first. The postmark date will be used to determine compliance for mailed credentials. No Delegates or Alternates shall be added to the Credentials list following the adjournment of the County Convention. Copies of all newspaper notices, in addition to the list of county and precinct officers, shall be submitted to the NC Republican Party and all applicable Congressional District Committees along with County Credentials.

4. Convention Fee

For each person who is elected at a Dare County Republican convention to be either a Delegate or an alternate to the State Convention, the County shall forward to the State Party the Fee set by the State Central Committee to defray the costs of mailing Convention materials to such elected Delegates and Alternates. The County Party may recover this fee from the Delegates and Alternates following their election.

A separate convention fee, set by the District Executive Committee, shall be forwarded to the District Secretary, to defray the costs of the Annual District Convention. These district convention fees may be recovered from the Delegates and Alternates following their election.

5. Meeting Cancellation Due to Circumstances out of Party's Control

When circumstances beyond the control of the County Party prevent access to or use of the County Convention facility (including but not limited to inclement weather conditions), it shall be the responsibility of the County

Chair to consult with the County Vice-Chair, County Secretary and County Treasurer/Finance Chairman and make a decision on the cancellation and rescheduling of said County Convention in the most timely manner possible. All efforts should be made by the County Chairman to notify local news outlets of said cancellation and rescheduling information. Notice of cancellation and rescheduling shall be given to Republican State Headquarters within twenty-four (24) hours or on the next business day.

B. COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Voting Membership of County Executive Committee

The County Executive Committee shall consist of:

- a. Dare County Republican Party Officers
- b. The immediate past Dare County Republican Chair, as ex-officio non-voting Member, who shall not affect quorum.
- c. All At-Large Committee Members
- d. All Precinct Chairmen, and Dare County Republican Commissioners, as ex-officio voting members, who shall not affect quorum.

2. Powers and Duties of County Executive Committee

- a. The County Executive Committee shall cooperate with the District and State Committees in all elections and Party activities; shall encourage qualified Republican candidates to seek office within the County; shall adopt a budget; and shall recommend nominees to the State Chair for appointments for the County Board of Elections; and shall have active management of Party affairs within the County. It shall approve a Finance Committee and an Audit Committee of not less than three (3) members each, and may approve such other Committees as may be deemed necessary. The County Chair, 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice Chair, and County Treasurer/Finance Chair shall be Ex-Officio Members of all committees indicated in this paragraph. In the event that it is determined that the Dare County Plan of

Organization is not consistent with the State Party Plan of Organization, the County Executive committee must, at the next called meeting, bring the County Plan of Organization into compliance with the State Party Plan of Organization. Under any circumstances, the County Plan of Organization must be brought into compliance within 90 days. The County Executive Committee may amend the Dare County Plan of Organization upon a 2/3 vote after providing written notice, as provided for in Article IX.I.1 of the State Plan of Organization, via first class United States Mail of the meeting advising members regarding the substance of the proposed amendment and provided a quorum is present. County Republican Parties shall submit, by certified United States mail, return receipt requested, their county plans of organization, and amendments thereto, to the NCGOP State Headquarters within 30 days after their adoption, in order for the Plan and/or amendment to be considered valid.

b. The Dare County Executive Committee, as a whole, shall have voting privileges over all motions made, with the exception of:

(1). Candidate campaign contribution decisions involving monetary amounts over \$500.00 will be solely at the discretion of the four five (5) Executive Committee Officers - Chair, 1st Vice Chair, 2nd Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer/Finance Chair.

(2). Disciplinary and expulsion decisions. If any offenses are deemed to have been committed under Article IV.A. of this plan, the five (5) executive committee officers above named, shall have the duty and authority to determine what, if any, disciplinary action is appropriate. This action must be with the advice and consent of the majority, one-half plus one, of the County Executive Committee members.

3. Meetings of County Executive Committee

The County Executive Committee shall meet at least quarterly upon call of the County Chair after giving ten (10) days' notice to all Members; or upon similar call of one-third (1/3) of the Members of the Committee. One-third

(1/3) of the Members, who count toward a quorum, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. There shall be no proxy voting.

4. Duties of County Executive Committee Officers

a. The Chair of the County Executive Committee, with the advice and consent of the County Executive Committee, shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Party within the County. The Chair shall issue the call for Precinct Meetings and the County Convention, and Executive Committee Meetings, and shall preside at all the Meetings of the County Executive Committee, the -Audit Committee (subject to the advice and consent of the County Executive Committee), and any other Committee deemed necessary to conduct the business of the County Executive Committee. The Chair shall further appoint a Temporary Chair of the County Convention, who may be himself. The Chair shall make periodic reports on the status of the Party within Dare County to the District Chair. The Chair shall be responsible for the creation and maintenance of a Republican organization in every precinct within Dare County. The Chair shall obtain and preserve a list of all registered Republicans within Dare County and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the County, District or State Committees; the County Chair shall be an Ex-Officio Member of all Committees unless otherwise designated.

b. The 1st Vice-Chair shall function as Chair in the absence of the Chair and shall have such other duties as may be prescribed by the County Executive Committee. The 1st Vice-Chair shall be an Ex-Officio Member of all Committees unless otherwise designated.

c. The 2nd Vice Chair shall assist the Chair and 1st Vice Chair with any duties as prescribed by the County Executive Committee, and shall function as Chair in the absence of the Chair and 1st Vice Chair. The 2nd Vice Chair shall be an Ex-Officio Member of all Committees unless otherwise designated.

d. The Secretary shall keep all minutes and records and shall maintain a roster of all Precinct Officers and Executive Committee Members. Such records shall be available, including all Credentials Lists, upon request, to any registered Republican within Dare County. The Secretary shall furnish to the Congressional District Chair and to State Headquarters up-to-date lists of all Precinct Chairmen.

e. The Treasurer/Finance Chair shall receive and disburse all funds for Party expenditures pursuant to authority duly given by the County Executive Committee, shall make a financial report at all County Executive Committee Meetings and shall fulfill all financial reports and obligations required under State and Federal election laws. The Treasurer/Finance Chair shall be an ex-officio member of any committee appointed that will raise or spend party funds.

f. The Assistant Treasurer/Finance Chair shall function in all capacities, as stated in Article III.B.4.e, in the absence of the Party Treasurer.

5. Vacancies and Removals

a. Vacancy due to death, resignation, discontinuance of residency within the County, removal of any Officer or Member of the County Committee, or for any other reason, shall be filled by the remaining members of the County Committee.

b. The procedure for removal of any Member or Officer is defined in Article IV.A.1 of this plan. Such removal may be appealed to the State Central Committee within 20 days, and their decision shall be final.

C. COUNTY AUDIT AND ETHICS COMMITTEES

1. Audit Committee

The members of the Audit Committee, consisting of a minimum of three (3) Republican Party Members, nominated by the County Chair and the names shall be represented for the advice and consent of the County Executive Committee. The Audit Committee, once approved, shall conduct a yearly review of the financial records of the Dare County Republican Party and report such review to the Dare County Executive Committee for approval. The review to be conducted shall be of the type and nature which the Audit Committee, in its discretion, deems appropriate.

The audit committee shall conduct an audit after each major fund raising event that the County Party may conduct. A major fundraiser is defined as any event with proceeds exceeding \$1,000.00.

2. Ethics Committee

The members of the ethics committee shall be composed of the Dare County Chair, Dare County 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, the Dare County Treasurer/Finance Chair, and the Dare County Secretary and shall have authority to enforce all ethics complaints against a member of a committee. Any action must be with the advice and consent of the majority, one-half plus one, of the County Executive Committee members.

ARTICLE IV - GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

A. FORFEITURE OF OFFICIAL PRIVILEGES

1. Vacancies and Removals

a. As stated in Article III C.3 any member of a committee organized under this Plan may be removed by a unanimous decision by the five (5) Executive Committee members who comprise the Ethics Committee, charged with the authority to carry out all decisions regarding ethics complaints, and with the advice and consent of the Executive committee members. The member shall be furnished with notice of the charges against him or her. Any Republican against whom charges are brought shall be furnished with 2

weeks' notice of said charges and be given an opportunity to present a defense. Removal shall be confined to gross inefficiency, Party disloyalty, or failure to comply with the County, District, or State Party Plans of Organization.

b. For the purposes of the Dare County Plan of Organization, “gross inefficiency” shall be defined to include such acts as i) persistent failure to perform agreed-to-commitments, ii) planning or participating in activities intended to cause public embarrassment to the Party, iii) misuse of Party funds or resources, iv) disruptive language or behavior while acting in the role of an elected official of the Party, or v) misuse of an elected title for personal gain.

c. For the purposes of this Plan of Organization, “Party Disloyalty” shall be defined as actively supporting a candidate of another Party or independent candidate running in opposition to a candidate of the Republican Party or attempting to influence or influencing the outcome of an election other than by supporting an opposing republican in a Republican primary or a Republican endorsed by the appropriate Executive Committee in a non-partisan election.

d. Any Executive Committee member elected under this plan who fails to attend (3) consecutive monthly meetings, unexcused, shall forfeit his or her right to vote on the Executive Committee.

A member who has lost their voting privileges may appeal, in writing, for reinstatement of said voting privileges to the Executive Committee.

2. Removal or Resignation from Committee

Any current or former Officer or Member of a Precinct committee, County Executive Committee, District Committee, State Executive Committee, or State Central Committee who, for any reason, is removed or resigned from

said position shall forfeit all rights and privileges in any way connected with that position.

3. Eligibility to Serve Due to Party Disloyalty

Any registered Republican attempting to influence or influencing the outcome of any election against a Republican candidate or Republican endorsed by the appropriate Republican Executive Committee or Legislative Caucus, other than by supporting an opposing Republican Candidate in a Republican primary, may be declared ineligible to hold office under the State Plan of Organization at the State, District, and Precinct level for Party disloyalty by 2/3 vote of the State Executive committee. Charges of Party disloyalty may be brought by petition of 50 members of the State Executive committee, or by resolution of a county or District Republican Executive Committee. The State Executive Committee may declare a Republican found to have engaged in Party disloyalty as ineligible to serve in any office under the Plan of Organization for a period of time between 6 months and 5 years.

4. Automatic Resignation

Any Committee Member or Officer of a County, District, or State Republican Executive Committee Campaigning in person, on social media, or in any other manner for a Candidate, in any race, who is not a member of the Republican Party and is running in opposition to a member of the Republican party, shall have been deemed to have automatically resigned from the committee and any position. In addition, no Committee Member or Officer shall serve as a treasurer or member of a campaign committee for any Candidate, in any race, if that Candidate is not a member of the Republican Party and is running in opposition to a member of the Republican Party.

B. ELECTRONIC MEETINGS

Except as herein provided, meetings of the following bodies are to be held in person:

- 1.All State, District, and County conventions;
- 2.All State Executive Committee and State Central Committee meetings;
- 3.All required District Executive Committee meetings (Art. V.A.3) of the State Plan of Organization; and
- 4.All required county executive committee meetings (Art.III.A.3)of the State Plan of Organization.

These in-person meetings may be broadcast, as provided below.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a county or district chair may petition, in writing or via email, the State party chair for relief from the in-person meeting requirement. County or district chairmen may join together in a written or emailed petition. Grounds for relief consist of a need for a meeting which cannot be postponed; an event consisting of an adverse weather event; or a public health crisis; or an unforeseeable occurrence which counsels prudence against an in-person meeting. The State party chair may grant the petition after a majority vote on consultation with the Vice-Chair, the General Counsel, the Treasurer, and the Secretary. The State Secretary shall record all votes for and against the petition.

On the same grounds the State party chair may grant relief from the in-person meeting requirement for State conventions, State Executive Committee meetings, and State Central Committee meetings, on a majority vote after consultation with the Vice-chair, the General Counsel, the Secretary, and the Treasurer, as well as the National Committeeman and National Committeewoman. The State Secretary shall record all votes for and against the petition.

In addition, any District Executive Committee meetings or County Executive Committee meetings beyond the required quarterly meetings may be held

in person or electronically at the discretion of the chair of the respective committee.

Each State, District, and County Executive or Central Committee may authorize any standing or special committee formed under its jurisdiction to be conducted as an electronic meeting.

When the State Party Chair grants relief from any in-person meeting requirement for a State Convention, or a meeting of the State Executive Committee or the State Central Committee, the State Party Chair shall provide an alternative broadcast by electronic means of a meeting. When the State Party Chair grants relief from any in-person meeting requirement for a District or County Convention or executive committee meeting, the respective chair of any such District or County party shall provide an alternative broadcast by electronic means of a meeting. In any such case, the County chair may provide a place for in-person participation.

Any meeting held electronically must allow each member to fully participate in its proceedings, including the right to attend meetings, to make motions, to speak in debate, and to vote. No member can be individually deprived of these basic rights of membership or of any basic rights concomitant to them, such as the right to make nominations or to give up previous notice of a motion.

ARTICLE V - AMENDMENTS, APPLICABILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS PLAN

A. AMENDMENTS TO PLAN OF ORGANIZATION

1. The Plan of Organization may be amended, not inconsistent with the Rules of the Republican State or National Committees, by majority vote of the delegates present, and voting at any County Convention provided, however, that the proposed amendment was mailed to the membership of the County Executive Committee, elected at the preceding odd-numbered year County Convention, at least thirty (30) days prior to the convening of

the Convention. The mailing requirement shall not apply to the Report of the duly appointed Plan of Organization Committee, which shall be noticed pursuant to Section VI,A.3.c of the State Plan of Organization.

2. Amendments from the Convention floor to the proposed Amendments to the Plan (an amendment to the amendment) that would materially alter the intent of the original proposed amendment must receive a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates present and voting. This paragraph applies only to amendments to Amendments to the Plan that were mailed out to the Executive Committee as above described.

3. Proposed amendments to the Plan not mailed to the County Executive committee thirty days prior to the convening of the County Convention must receive a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates present and voting at any County Convention.

4. The Plan of Organization Committee shall have authority to correct any spelling or typographical errors in the Plan of Organization, as a house-keeping matter, that do not change the substance of the Plan.

5. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan or any County Plan of Organization, in the event that there is a change in state or federal election law that renders a portion of this Plan ineffective, obsolete or inoperative, the County Executive Committee may, upon a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote, temporarily amend this Plan to the extent necessary to alter procedures or schedules affected by such change in state or federal election law. Any change made pursuant to this paragraph shall be effective only until the date of adjournment of the next annual County Convention called pursuant to Article III,A.1.a of this plan.

B. AUTHORITY

1. Controversies

Controversies in any County with respect to the organization set up therein under this Plan shall be referred to the State Chair, State Vice-Chair, Na-

tional Committeeman, National Committeewoman and General Counsel for arbitration Rulings shall be made within 60 days, and their decision shall be final.

2. Parliamentary Authority

The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern all proceedings, except when inconsistent with the State Plan of Organization or Convention Rules properly adopted.

C. EFFECTIVE DATE

1. Effective Date of This Plan

This Plan of Organization shall become effective and repeal and supersede all other rules, except as specifically noted, immediately following the adjournment of the Dare County Republican Convention in Wanchese, March 22, 2025. This, however, shall not invalidate any action taken under the previous rules prior to the date above. The adoption of this Plan shall not affect the term of those office holders at the time of the adoption of this Plan.

2025 Dare County GOP Chair
Alexander Brown Douglas

2025 Dare GOP Convention
Secretary - Susan Bothwell

2025 Dare County Plan of Organization
Committee Chair - Carole Warnecki