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2 **THE MINNESOTA FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
3 **REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE**
4 **CONSTITUTION**

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6 **ARTICLE I**
7 **Name and Membership**
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9 **SECTION 1:** The name of this organization shall be the Minnesota Fifth Congressional District Republican Committee,
10 hereinafter called "Fifth District."

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12 **SECTION 2:** The membership of the Fifth District shall be composed of all members of the Republican Party of Minnesota
13 who reside within the boundaries of Fifth Congressional District of Minnesota.
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15 **ARTICLE II**
16 **Purposes & Objectives**
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18 **SECTION 1:** The purposes of the Fifth District shall be those imposed by law, the Constitution and Bylaws of the
19 Republican Party of Minnesota, and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Fifth District.
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21 **SECTION 2:** The objectives of the Fifth District shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
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- 23 **A.** To secure the election of an endorsed Republican Congressional Candidate.
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25 **B.** To cooperate with, coordinate, initiate and support the activities of Republican Party organizations within
26 the Fifth Congressional District, and to maintain liaison between those organizations and the Republican
27 Party of Minnesota.
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29 **C.** To organize and maintain a Republican Party organization within the Fifth Congressional District. It shall
30 find, train, endorse, and elect candidates for office.
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32 **ARTICLE III**
33 **Administration**
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35 **SECTION 1: Full Committee**
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37 **A. General Management**

38 The general management of the affairs of the Fifth District shall be vested in the Full Committee, subject
39 to the control of the Fifth District Convention, this constitution, its bylaws, the Republican Party of
40 Minnesota Constitution and its bylaws.
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42 **B. Composition**

43 The Full Committee shall be composed of the following residents of the Fifth Congressional District:
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- 45 **1.** One representative from each BPOU and partial BPOU within the boundaries of the Fifth
46 Congressional District.
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48 **2.** The members of the Executive Committee.
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50 **3.** The previous Chair of the Fifth District.
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52 **4.** There shall be no alternate members of the Full Committee.
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54 **C. Term of Office**

55 All members of the Full Committee shall serve until their successors are elected or appointed.
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- 57 **1.** The term of office for the elected officers shall begin immediately after the regular Fifth District
58 convention held in odd-numbered years.
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- 60 2. The term of office for any appointed official shall cease when the chair's term has expired, or upon
61 the chair's death or resignation or having been removed from office.
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63 3. The term of office of BPOU representatives shall expire at the end of the BPOU odd-year
64 convention.
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66 **D. Vacancy**

67 A vacancy shall occur in the Full Committee when a member ceases to reside within the boundaries of
68 the Fifth Congressional District; or upon death or resignation or having been removed from office
69 pursuant to Article III, Section 1, F and G.
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71 **E. Filling of Vacancies**

72 Vacancies in the membership of the Full Committee may be filled for the unexpired term as follows:
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- 74 1. Vacancies existing in any elected Fifth District office shall be filled by election by majority vote of
75 the members of the Full Committee attending a duly called meeting, pending the next Fifth District
76 Convention. At the next Fifth District Convention, the delegates and seated alternates shall elect a
77 person to fill the unexpired term of office. Notice of the election shall appear on the convention call.
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79 2. Vacancies existing for a BPOU representative to the Full Committee shall be filled by appointment
80 by the BPOU.
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82 **F. Cause for Removal**

83 Members of the Full Committee except ex-officio members, may be removed for any of the following
84 reasons:
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- 86 1. Inactivity or failure to carry out the assigned duties of the office; or,
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88 2. Actively or publicly supporting a candidate of an opposition party or actively or publicly supporting
89 a candidate opposing an endorsed Republican candidate.
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91 3. A Full Committee Member who misses two (2) consecutive meetings shall be automatically
92 removed, notwithstanding Article III, Section 1, G.
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94 **G. Removal Process**

95 Members of the Full Committee may be removed by the following process:
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- 97 1. Charges against any such member must be filed in writing with the Executive Committee.
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99 2. If the Executive Committee by majority vote finds reasonable cause for the charges, it shall set a
100 date for a hearing and shall notify the member involved by sending a copy of the charges by certified
101 mail at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the hearing.
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103 3. A ten (10) calendar-day notice shall be sent to the members of the Full Committee concerning the
104 date of the hearing and action of the proposed removal.
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106 4. Following the hearing, a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Full Committee Members shall be required for
107 removal.
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109 **H. Meeting of the Full Committee**

110 The Full Committee will determine the frequency of its meetings, but will meet at least six (6) times a
111 year. The time and place of each regular, special, or emergency meetings of the Full Committee shall be
112 given to all members of the Full Committee in a written form of mail, e-mail or text message. The
113 meeting quorum will be the majority of the Full Committee Members. When there is a vacancy of a
114 Representative or a Member of the Full Committee, the vacancies shall lower the quorum count needed
115 to hold a Full Committee meeting.
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- 117 1. The chair of the Fifth District shall call regular and/or special meetings of the Full Committee with
118 ten (10) days notice. Emergency meetings may be called by the chair, with the approval of a
119 majority of the executive committee, with a 24-hour notice.
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121 2. A majority of the Full Committee members acting together may call a meeting of the Full
Committee with ten (10) days notice.

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I. Electronic Communications

The members of the Full Committee may participate in a meeting of the Full Committee by any means of communication through which all participating members can hear each other and communicate during the meeting. For the purpose of establishing a quorum and taking any action at the meeting, a member participating in the meeting will be deemed present.

SECTION 2: Executive Committee

A. Interim Management

Administration and management of Fifth District affairs in the interim between meetings of the Full Committee shall be vested in the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee may consider and give recommendations on questions relating to the policies and activities of the Fifth District and may act on behalf of the Fifth District subject to the approval of the Full Committee.

B. Composition

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following:

1. The elected officers as outlined in Section 3 of this article.
2. A Deputy Treasurer appointed by the Chair and approved by the Full Committee. The duties of the Deputy Treasurer shall be:
 - a. Assist the Treasurer in the performance of the Treasurer's Duties.
 - b. Perform such duties as the Executive Committee or the Full Committee recommends.
3. Three (3) at-large members elected at the regularly scheduled odd-year Fifth District convention.
4. Up to five (5) appointed Vice Chairs. The duties of the appointed Vice Chairs shall be:
 - a. Assist the Executive Committee in administering the operations and be responsible for various designated projects throughout the Fifth District.
 - b. Perform such duties as the Chair, Executive Committee and/or Full Committee recommends.

C. Appointment Process and Term of Appointed Executive Committee Members

1. Any individuals to be appointed to the Fifth District Executive Committee (except where noted otherwise in this document) shall be submitted by the Chair to the elected members of the Executive Committee for approval or disapproval.
2. The term for all appointed Executive Committee Members shall expire with the term of the Chair of the Fifth District.

D. Meeting of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee will determine the frequency of its meeting. The time and place of each regular or special meetings of the Executive Committee shall be given to all members of the Executive Committee in a written form of mail, e-mail or text message. The meeting quorum will be the majority of the Executive Committee members.

E. Electronic Communications

The members of the Executive Committee may participate in a meeting of the Executive Committee by any means of communication through which all participating members can hear each other and communicate during the meeting. For the purpose of establishing a quorum and taking any action at the meeting, a member participating in the meeting will be deemed present.

SECTION 3: Officers

Election of officers shall take place at the regular Fifth District Convention in the odd numbered years by delegates and seated alternates elected at BPOU Conventions. Officers must reside within the Fifth Congressional District but need not be delegates to the Convention. No person shall be a Fifth District officer and a state party officer at the same time.

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The officers of the Fifth District shall consist of the following:

A. Chair

The Fifth District Chair shall:

1. Be the chief executive officer of the Fifth District and preside at Conventions, Full Committee meetings and Executive Committee meetings.
2. Have general supervision and management over the affairs of the Fifth District and over other officers and shall perform such other duties as are incident to the office.
3. Serve as the official spokesperson for the Fifth District.
4. Appoint persons to the various committees and subcommittees of the Fifth District subject to the approval of the Full Committee, and to appoint persons to various committees of the state party as required by the state party constitution and bylaws.
5. Represent the Fifth District:
 - a. In meetings with the state chair and deputy chair pursuant to the State Party Constitution.
 - b. As a member of the State Full Committee, the State Executive Committee, the State Nominating Committee, and if he or she resides in Hennepin County, the Hennepin County Committee pursuant to the State Party Constitution.

B. Deputy Chair

The Deputy Chair shall:

1. Perform such duties as may be assigned by the Chair.
2. In the absence or disability of the Chair, and during the period of a temporary vacancy pending the election of a successor, the Deputy Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair.
3. The Deputy Chair shall serve as the alternate representative of the Fifth District on the State Executive Committee. In the event that both the Chair and Deputy Chair are to be absent from the State Executive Committee meeting the Chair may give a proxy to an elected Fifth CD officer or a State Central delegate from the Fifth District to serve as a temporary alternate to the State Executive Committee.

C. Secretary

The Secretary shall:

1. Record and keep the minutes of Fifth District Conventions, Full Committee meetings, and Executive Committee meetings, committee/subcommittee reports, and attendance.
2. Maintain and keep the membership rosters of the Full Committee, Executive Committee, the Delegates and Alternates to the Fifth District Convention and the Fifth District's State Full Committee Delegates and Alternates.
3. Perform such other duties as are commonly assigned to the office.

D. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

1. Be entrusted with the custody of all of the funds of the Fifth District.
2. Ensure all receipts and expenditures follow Federal and State laws and rules.
3. Keep a record of all accounts, and shall make a report at Full Committee meetings and Executive Committee meetings.

- 246 4. Make and keep a record of reports as required by applicable federal and state authorities.
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248 5. Upon request by the State Party Treasurer, submit Fifth District budgets and/or financial data
249 pertaining to the Fifth District for review as required by the Republican Party of Minnesota
250 Constitution.
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252 6. Perform such other duties as are commonly assigned to the office.
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254 **SECTION 4: Minneapolis City Committee & Conventions**
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- 256 **A.** The Minneapolis City Committee shall be responsible for candidate search, endorsement, campaign
257 coordination, funding, and electing candidates for municipal and school district offices within the City of
258 Minneapolis. The Minneapolis City Committee shall have no other authority or responsibilities.
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260 **B.** The Minneapolis City Committee shall be organized in accordance with its Bylaws and in accordance
261 with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Fifth District and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Republican
262 Party of Minnesota. The Minneapolis City Committee may adopt Bylaws and amendments thereto,
263 effective upon the approval of the Fifth District Full Committee.
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265 **C.** The Fifth District Full Committee may establish an organization for the Minneapolis City Committee in
266 the event that the organization has become nonfunctioning or has failed to organize as specified herein. If
267 no action is taken to fill a vacancy in the office of Chair of the Minneapolis City Committee within thirty
268 days of such vacancy, the vacancy may be filled by the Fifth District Full Committee.
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270 **D.** The call for a Minneapolis municipal or school district convention may be issued by:
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272 1. The Chair(s) of the Minneapolis City Committee; or,
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274 2. The Fifth District Chair; or,
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276 3. In the absence of a City Committee, The Chair(s) of the BPOU (if the ward or city office is entirely
277 within the BPOU or if all of the delegates and alternates for a ward or city office reside within the
278 BPOU); or,
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280 4. The Chair(s) of the Ward (if the Convention is for City Council).
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282 **E.** Minneapolis Municipal and School District Conventions shall be composed of the delegates or their
283 alternates, who reside in their jurisdictions who were elected at the Precinct Caucuses, which were held
284 in each Precinct as authorized by Minnesota Statutes and the Constitution of the Republican Party of
285 Minnesota.
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287 **SECTION 5: Suburban City Committees & Suburban Municipal and School District Elections**
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- 289 **A.** For every suburb or suburban school district within the boundaries of the Fifth Congressional District
290 that crosses BPOU lines, the suburban city committee that includes all of the suburb or suburban school
291 district may be responsible for candidate search, endorsing conventions and organizing campaigns for
292 such elected offices as mayor, council member, and school board member. However if there is no
293 suburban city committee, the Fifth District in conjunction with the BPOU Committees who's BPOU
294 includes part of the elected office may be responsible for candidate search, endorsing conventions and
295 organizing campaigns.
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297 **B.** Suburban city committees for suburbs and school districts that cross BPOU lines may be recognized and
298 established upon approval of the Fifth District Full Committee. Suburban city committees for suburbs
299 and school districts that are entirely within a BPOU may be recognized and established upon approval of
300 the respective BPOU committee and the Fifth District Full Committee. Suburban city committees shall
301 be organized in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Fifth District Republicans. Suburban
302 city committees may adopt Bylaws and amendments thereto, effective upon the approval of the Fifth
303 District Full Committee.
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305 **C.** The call for a Municipal or School District Convention may be issued by:
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- 307 1. The Chair(s) of the applicable City Committee (if the boundaries for the office are entirely within the
308 City or School District or if all of the delegates and alternates for the office reside within the City or
309 School District);
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311 2. The Chair(s) of the BPOU (if the Municipal or School District office is entirely within the BPOU or
312 if all of the delegates and alternates for the Municipal or School District office reside within the
313 BPOU); or,
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315 3. The Fifth District Chair (if the Municipal or School District office is entirely within the Fifth District
316 or if all of the delegates and alternates for the Municipal office reside within the Fifth District).
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318 **SECTION 6: General Provisions Relating to Congressional District Administration**

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320 **A.** All members and representatives of the Full Committee and all members of the Executive Committee are
321 entitled to vote on their respective committees.
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323 **B.** Officer Leave of Absence
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325 1. Members of the Executive Committee shall notify the Executive or Full Committee prior to
326 becoming a candidate or a campaign officer.
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328 2. Members of the Executive Committee who become candidates for public office or serve as a
329 campaign officer may be given a leave of absence for up to the duration of the campaign by a two-
330 thirds (2/3) vote of the Executive Committee or by a majority vote of the Full Committee. Members
331 of the Executive Committee may be given a leave of absence for other causes for up to six months
332 by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Executive Committee or by a majority vote of the Full Committee.
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334 **C.** The Fifth District officers generally shall have the responsibility to seek out qualified candidates and
335 encourage them to seek public office. No Fifth District officer shall use his/her official position to
336 promote pre-primary endorsement support or induce the candidacy of any individual by assuring Fifth
337 District support prior to endorsement.
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339 **ARTICLE IV**
340 **Transmittal of Delegate and Officer Names**

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342 **SECTION 1: BPOU Conventions**

343 The names of those persons elected as delegates and alternates to Fifth District and State Conventions, State
344 Central delegates and alternates, those persons elected as officers and those persons elected as BPOU
345 delegates elected or appointed to the Fifth District Full Committee shall be forwarded to the Fifth District
346 prior to a date specified by the Fifth District and/or the State Party.
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348 **SECTION 2: Precinct Caucuses**

349 The names of those persons elected as delegates, alternates and officers shall be forwarded to the Fifth
350 District prior to the date specified by the Fifth District and/or the State Party.
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352 **ARTICLE V**
353 **Fifth District Convention**

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355 **SECTION 1: Composition**

356 The Fifth District Convention shall be composed of the following residents of the Fifth Congressional
357 District:
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- 359 **A.** Delegates from various BPOUs within the Fifth District who are elected at their conventions. The
360 number of Delegates from the various BPOUs shall be apportioned among the BPOUs in the same
361 manner as delegates to the state convention.
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363 **B.** One delegate and one alternate from any statewide affiliate organization meeting the requirements
364 outlined in the Republican Party of Minnesota Constitution and Bylaws.
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366 **SECTION 2: Time and Place of Convention**

367 The Fifth District Convention shall be held annually within a range of dates established by the State Full
368 Committee and at the call of the Fifth District Chair with the approval of the Executive Committee, and at

369 such other times and for such other purposes as the Chair with the approval of the Executive Committee may
370 determine. The Executive Committee shall determine the place of holding the Fifth District convention, and
371 shall give ten (10) days notice to delegates and alternates.
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373 **SECTION 3: Convention Business**

374 The Fifth District Convention shall transact such business as is specified in the call of the Convention and any
375 other business properly brought before the Convention. In addition to endorsements, the objectives of the
376 Fifth District Convention shall include:
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- 378 **A.** In odd numbered year regular conventions, to elect all officers of the Fifth District, the Fifth District's at-
379 large delegate and alternate to the State Full Committee.
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- 381 **B.** In even year regular conventions to consider resolutions for submission to the State Convention.
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- 383 **C.** In presidential election year regular conventions, to elect delegates and alternates to the Republican
384 National Convention; and to nominate a Presidential Elector Nominee.
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386 **SECTION 4: Convention Committees**

387 Fifth District Convention Committees shall include a Credentials Committee, a Nominating Committee
388 (when Fifth District Officers, National Delegates and/or Presidential Elector Nominees are to be elected), a
389 Resolutions Committee (in even years), a Rules Committee and such other committees as may be deemed
390 necessary or desirable. Such committees shall begin to perform their respective duties before the Convention
391 opens, and shall be subject to the confirmation of the Fifth District Convention. The members of each
392 committee shall be appointed as follows:
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- 394 **A.** An equal number of members from each BPOU shall be appointed by the Chair or Co-Chairs of the
395 respective BPOU.
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- 397 **B.** The list of convention committees and the number of members to be appointed to those committees shall
398 be presented to the BPOU Chairs at least ten (10) days prior to the BPOU convention window.
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- 400 **C.** Members-at-large may be appointed by the Fifth District Chair with the approval of the Executive
401 Committee, the number of which shall not exceed 20% of the total membership of any committee.
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- 403 **D.** The Fifth District Chair with the approval of the Executive Committee shall name a chair for each
404 Convention Committee.
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406 **SECTION 5: Officer Elections**

407 Candidates for Fifth District office shall be nominated by a nominating committee. Additional nominations
408 may be made from the floor of the Convention. All candidates shall be residents within the boundaries of
409 Fifth Congressional District, but they are not required to be delegates to the Convention. No person shall be
410 declared elected to an office until he or she has received a majority of the votes cast for that office.
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412 **SECTION 6: National Convention Delegates & Alternates**

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- 414 **A.** Delegates and alternates to the Republican National Convention shall be nominated by The Nominating
415 Committee as provided in Article V, Section 3. Candidates shall be residents within the boundaries of the
416 Fifth Congressional District but are not required to be delegates to the Convention. Additional
417 nominations may be made from the floor of the Convention.
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- 419 **B.** No person shall be declared elected as a delegate or alternate to the Republican National Convention
420 until he or she has received a majority of the votes cast for that position. The Fifth District Convention
421 shall determine the order in which the alternates shall be seated in the place of a delegate who is unable
422 to attend.
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424 **SECTION 7: Presidential Elector Nominees**

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- 426 **A.** In each Presidential election year, the Fifth District shall place in nomination one (1) person to be the
427 Fifth Congressional District's Republican Presidential Elector-Nominee by vote of the Fifth
428 Congressional District Convention Delegates and seated Alternates in a manner similar to that of
429 National Convention Delegate.
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431 B. The Chair shall report the Fifth Congressional District Elector-Nominee to the State Convention as
432 required by the Republican Party of Minnesota Constitution.
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434 **SECTION 8: State Full Committee**

435 Pursuant to the State Party Constitution, the Fifth District Convention shall elect a delegate-at-large and
436 alternate to the State Full Committee in odd numbered year regular conventions. During a temporary vacancy
437 in the office of alternate to the delegate-at-large, the Fifth District Chair may appoint a temporary alternate,
438 subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
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440 **ARTICLE VI**

441 **Constitution and Bylaws Committee and Amendments**
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443 **SECTION 1: Constitution and Bylaws Committee**

444 The Fifth District Chair shall appoint the chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee. Each BPOU shall
445 be entitled to select one member to serve on the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.
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447 **SECTION 2: Amendments to the Constitution**

448 A. Any proposal for amendment to this constitution shall be referred to the Constitution and Bylaws
449 Committee. A minority report may also be issued upon the agreement of at least three (3) members of the
450 committee.
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452 B. A Constitution and Bylaws Committee report to amend this constitution may be adopted by a majority
453 vote of a Fifth District Convention. The Constitution and Bylaws Committee report may not be amended.
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455 C. Notice of a proposal to amend this constitution shall be included with the Convention Call. The
456 Constitution and Bylaws Committee report shall be publicized by means chosen by the Executive Committee.
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458 **SECTION 3: Bylaws**

459 The Full Committee and Executive Committee shall operate under such bylaws — consistent with the
460 constitution of the Fifth District and the constitution & bylaws of the Republican Party of Minnesota — as are
461 deemed necessary for the transaction of the business of the Fifth District.
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463 A. The bylaws may specify whatever rules and administrative procedures the Full Committee deems
464 necessary. Where the Fifth District Constitution and Bylaws are in conflict with each other the
465 Constitution shall take precedence over the Bylaws.
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467 B. The process of forming or discharging committees to carry out the duties and activities of the Fifth
468 District may be outlined in the Bylaws of the Fifth District.
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470 **SECTION 4: Amendments to the Bylaws**

471 The bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote at any Full Committee meeting after written notice of
472 any proposal for amendment has been submitted with the notice of the meeting. Any proposal for amendment
473 shall be referred to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee and reported out of said committee. A minority
474 report may also be issued upon the agreement of at least three (3) members of the committee.
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476 **ARTICLE VII**

477 **General Provisions and Definitions**
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479 **SECTION 1: Endorsement and Unendorsement of Republican Candidates**

480 For endorsement of all Republican candidates, refer to the Republican Party of Minnesota constitution
481 and bylaws.
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483 **SECTION 2: Vacancy in Office of Treasurer**

484 In the event of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, pending the election of a successor, the Deputy Treasurer
485 shall temporarily assume the office of Treasurer upon approval of the Executive Committee. If the office of
486 Deputy Treasurer is vacant, or if the Deputy Treasurer is not approved to serve as the temporary Treasurer,
487 the Chair may appoint a temporary Treasurer, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, pending
488 the next Fifth District convention. If a temporary Treasurer is appointed, the process for electing a new
489 Treasurer shall be followed as outlined in Article III, Section 1, E 1.
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491 **SECTION 3:** An audit of all accounts shall be conducted at least biennially or upon the election of a new Treasurer.
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493 **SECTION 4:** The Chair shall be the official spokesperson of the Fifth District and no other member of the Fifth District
494 shall be authorized to express the views or otherwise speak on behalf of the Fifth District on any matter of
495 policy unless the Executive Committee or Full Committee has first considered and taken action on the matter.
496 This limitation shall not be construed to prevent any member from freely expressing his or her personal
497 opinions, provided he or she makes it clear that the statements are solely his or her own personal views.
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499 **SECTION 5: Definitions**

500 The term “BPOU” refers to the Republican Party organizational unit within the Fifth Congressional District
501 described by the Republican party of Minnesota Constitution.
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503 The term “Partial BPOU” shall mean a BPOU in which any of the population—but not all--resides within the
504 Fifth Congressional District.
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506 The term “chair” or “chairman” when specifying a single head of a committee shall refer to either a man or a
507 woman.
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509 The term “elected officer”, unless otherwise indicated, means an officer of any committee elected at a
510 convention and any officer elected to fill a vacancy in any such committee office.
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512 The term “BPOU Chairs”, unless otherwise indicated, means the Chairman and Chairwoman, Co-Chairs, or
513 Chair and Deputy Chair of any BPOU, as prescribed by the BPOU Bylaws and/or Constitution.
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515 The term “Precinct Chairs”, unless otherwise indicated, means any such precinct chair elected at a Precinct
516 Caucus and any acting chair duly appointed to a vacancy in such precinct office.
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518 The term “precinct officer”, unless otherwise indicated, means any precinct officer such as a chair, vice-chair,
519 secretary, treasurer, etc. elected at a Precinct Caucus and any acting officer duly appointed to a vacancy in
520 such precinct office.
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522 The term “regular convention” refers to a duly convened Fifth District Convention held within the range of
523 dates established by the State Full Committee to conduct business outlined in Article V, Section 3.
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525 The term “recognized suburban city committee” refers to a suburban committee whose constitution or bylaws
526 are not inconsistent with the Fifth District Constitution and Bylaws and have been approved by the Full
527 Committee.
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529 The term “Fifth District” refers to the organization described in this document.
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531 The term “Fifth Congressional District” refers to the geographic territory within Minnesota defined through
532 the reapportionment process following the decennial census.
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534 The term “regular meeting” is a meeting that is held on a pre-determined schedule of dates.
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536 The term “special meeting” is a meeting that is not held on a pre-determined scheduled of dates.
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538 The term “emergency meeting” is a meeting on a pressing matter.
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540 **ARTICLE VIII**
541 **Parliamentary Authority**
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543 **SECTION 1:** The rules contained in the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the
544 proceedings at all meetings or Conventions of the Fifth District in all cases in which they are applicable and
545 in which they are not inconsistent with the Fifth District Constitution and Bylaws, the Constitution and
546 Bylaws of the Republican Party of Minnesota, the Statutes of the State of Minnesota, or any special rules of
547 order that may be adopted.
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