

ARTICLE I

Section 1.01 – Title. The legal title of the organization shall be the Maryland Young Republicans (MDYR).

Section 1.02 – Purpose. The Purpose of the MDYR shall be to:

- (a) Elect Republicans in the state of Maryland and nationwide;
- (b) Develop a statewide Young Republican organization in support of the Maryland Republican Party and for the advocacy of Young Republicans in Maryland;
- (c) Support the principles and objectives set forth by the Constitution of the MDYR, the Young Republican National Federation and the platform of the Republican Party;
- (d) Direct, manage, supervise and control its business, property, and funds and do all other things necessary to carry out its objectives;
- (e) Create, charter, supervise and coordinate chapters of the Young Republicans throughout the state of Maryland;

ARTICLE II

Section 2.01 – Composition. The Maryland Young Republicans shall comprise chapters of Young Republicans in the state of Maryland.

- (a) The Executive Committee may accept individual members in jurisdictions that do not have a chartered chapter. The Executive Committee shall adopt an application process and fee(s) for personal memberships as deemed necessary.

Section 2.02 – One Charter. The MDYR shall issue only one charter in each county of Maryland.

- (a) Each such chartered county of the MDYR shall be referred to hereinafter as a chartered club or chapter.
- (b) Two or more counties that work together as one chapter may share the same charter.

Section 2.03 – Membership. To be eligible for a charter, each chapter shall have no fewer than 5 full members. The minimum requirement for full membership of an individual shall be:

- (a) A legal and qualified Republican voter under the laws of the State of Maryland;
 - I. Active duty military personnel stationed in the State of Maryland but registered as a Republican in a separate state are qualified for membership.
- (b) A dues paying member of a chartered chapter or a member of a chapter attempting to charter;
- (c) No younger than 18 years old and no older than 40 years old.

Section 2.04 – Associate Membership. Anyone not meeting the requirements of active member status may be an Associate member and shall enjoy all membership privileges except that they may not vote on any MDYR actions or in MDYR elections and may not hold elected YR office. Members are welcome to be a full member of only one chapter at any given time but are

welcome to be an associate member of as many chapters as they please. It is the responsibility of the member to inform chapter chairs of which chapter they will hold full membership status in.

Section 2.05 – Petition to Charter A New Chapter. Applications for recognition as a chapter of the Maryland Young Republicans shall be made to the Executive Committee.

(a) The format and content of the petition shall be specified by the Executive Committee and consistent with the following:

1. A copy of the chapter's constitution and bylaws;
2. A list of current chapter officers with the following information: office title, term of office, names, addresses, email addresses, phone numbers and dates of birth;
3. A list of current chapter members with the following information: names, addresses, email addresses, phone numbers and dates of birth; and
4. Payment of the charter fee (\$50), as provided for under these bylaws

(b) The petitioning organization shall certify that it has adopted governing documents consistent with the MDYR Constitution and bylaws

Section 2.05 Consideration of A New Charter. All applications shall be considered by the Executive Committee with final approval vote of the State Board.

(a) The Executive Committee shall determine if the petition satisfies the requirements for a new charter under the governing documents of the MDYR.

(b) The Executive Committee shall have the necessary authority to verify the authenticity of the information and compliance by an applicant to the MDYR governing documents, and may request an applicant to amend its petition.

(c) The State Board may approve new charters, under these bylaws, with a majority vote.

Section 2.06 Renewal of Charters. Each chapter shall submit to the MDYR Secretary no later than March 1 of each year a petition for renewal of its charter with the MDYR. The format and manner for the renewal process shall be determined by the Executive Committee, and shall be transmitted to the Chairman of each chapter no later than January 31st of each year.

(a) In all cases, each chapter must annually provide:

1. A copy of its most recent constitution and bylaws
2. A list of current officers with the following information: office title, term of office, names, addresses, email addresses and phone numbers
3. A list of current club members, including officers, with the following information: names, addresses, email addresses, phone numbers and dates of birth
4. Payment of the annual renewal fee (\$25) as provided for under these bylaws

(b) Renewal of a charter shall not require a vote of the Executive Committee, but shall be automatic upon receipt of all of the required information and payment of fees by the deadline.

1. The Executive Committee shall have the necessary authority to verify the authenticity of information and compliance by a renewing chapter to the MDYR governing documents within 48 hours of a confirmed receipt of the request.

Section 2.07 Fees and dues. Standard fees and dues for MDYR chapters and members are as follows:

- (a) New chapter chartering fee: \$50
- (b) Rechartering fee: \$25
- (c) Delinquency fees: \$50
- (d) Full Membership dues: No fewer than \$20. Exact cost to be specified by the chapter. Chapters are required to impose dues on their membership.
- (e) Due payments must be via virtual time-stamped transactions such as Anedot, Paypal, etc. or via check. It is the responsibility of the Chapter Chair to certify all membership payments in a format as defined in this section within a running digital ledger of all members which includes date and format of payment.
- (f) If someone would like to pay dues for another member or persons, the person they are paying for must be specified in writing at the time of payment.

Section 2.08 Delinquency. If a chapter fails to renew its charter by March 1st of any year, for any reason, it shall be deemed a delinquent chapter.

- (a) A delinquent chapter shall not have its charter renewed until all of its charter fees are paid in full in addition to a (\$50) late fee;
- (b) A delinquent chapter shall not have its charter renewed until all of the required information is submitted;
- (c) A delinquent chapter shall not have the right to vote or participate in meetings, conventions, events or other activities of the MDYR and may have other benefits suspended as deemed necessary by the Chairman;
 - (i). Individuals in good standing from the delinquent chapter may still attend MDYR events, but lack the rights to vote on MDYR business or hold MDYR Office, until they move to State membership or another county.
- (d) Any chapter that remains in delinquent status for longer than 6 months will forfeit their charter and required petition for a new charter;
- (e) Failure to send at least one full member to an MDYR convention will result in delinquency status.
 - (i) In this situation, delinquency status will be lifted when a (\$50) penalty fee is paid to the state.

Section 2.09 Chapter Discipline. Any chapter that fails to conform to the Constitution of the MDYR or these bylaws may have its charter revoked or may be otherwise disciplined.

- (a) Any charges under this section must be submitted in writing to the Chairman, with a copy to the Secretary and the General Counsel if applicable, who shall present the

charges to the Executive Committee for consideration.

1. If the Executive Committee finds, by a majority vote, that the charges warrant an investigation, the Chairman shall hold a hearing on the charges at a general meeting or special meeting.

2. If a majority of the Executive Committee finds that the charges do not warrant an investigation, the charges shall be dismissed.

(b) Disciplinary Hearing. The Chairman shall set the date and location to hold a disciplinary meeting for the purposes of a hearing on any charges found to warrant investigation by the Executive Committee.

1. The Secretary shall mail a copy of the charges, with a notice of the hearing, to the last reported Chairman, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer of the chapter at least 30 days prior to the hearing. The Secretary shall provide confirmation of delivery of the notice to the MDYR Chairman. The Secretary shall be permitted to email a copy of the charges to the aforementioned chapter officers so long as the Secretary can confirm receipt.

2. The officers of the chapter shall be requested to attend the hearing to be presented with the charges and offered an opportunity to provide a defense.

3. Quorum shall be required for a hearing.

4. The hearing may be held virtually if approved by the Executive Committee.

5. A majority vote of the Executive Committee present shall be used to determine guilt.

6. In the event of a guilty verdict, the Executive Committee shall proceed immediately to determine the penalty and disciplinary action for the infraction.

7. After the decision of the Executive Committee is reached, the Executive Committee shall notify the charged parties of the result and the penalties if any.

(c) Disciplinary Action. The Chairman shall present the results of the hearing at the next State Board meeting.

1. The Executive Committee may consider revocation of the chapter's charter and/or other disciplinary measures

A. A vote of 2/3rds of the Executive Committee present at duly a constituted Executive Committee meeting is required for revocation of a charter.

B. All other disciplinary penalties shall require a simple majority.

2. The Secretary shall immediately inform the charged chapter of any disciplinary actions by mail. The Secretary shall provide confirmation of delivery of the notice to the MDYR Chairman. The Secretary shall be permitted to email a copy of the charges to the charged chapter so long as the Secretary can confirm receipt.

(d) Appeal. Within 30 days of receipt of such notice, the chapter may file an appeal with the MDYR Chairman.

1. The Chairman shall present the appeal at the next meeting of the MDYR State Board.

2. The members present at a meeting of the MDYR State Board may overturn any disciplinary action by a 2/3rds vote.

ARTICLE III

3.1 Executive Committee. The Executive Committee of the MDYR is vested with the

powers and duties provided by these bylaws including, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) To exercise general supervision of the organization and its chapters;
- (b) To recognize and charter new chapters in the State of Maryland;
- (c) To adopt a budget, fee schedule and authorize appropriations;
- (d) To require reports from any officer, committee, chapter and employee of the MDYR;
- (g) To conduct the business of the organization and make decisions on its behalf;
- (h) To exercise other authorities and responsibilities as prescribed by these bylaws.

3.2 Composition. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Chairman, Vice Chair, National Committeeman, National Committeewoman, Secretary, Treasurer, and optionally, General Counsel without vote.

1. The Chairman may appoint non-voting advisors, such as the General Counsel, to the Executive Committee as deemed necessary

3.3 State Board. The State Board of the MDYR is composed of the members of the Executive Committee and Chairs of chapters in good standing. The State Board of the MDYR is vested with the powers and duties provided by these bylaws including, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) To vote on the approval of new chapters following their passage of initial meeting of requirements as confirmed by the Executive Committee;
- (b) To adopt policies for the governance of the organization, its chapters and members.

3.4 Meetings. The Executive Committee shall meet at least 3 times annually. The State Board will meet at minimum once a quarter. The Chairman may call special meetings as deemed necessary or 1/3rd of the voting members of the Executive Committee or 2/3rd of the voting members of the State Board may call a special meeting by written petition. The Chairman shall notify members of the Executive Committee of any meeting no less than 7 days prior to the meeting date via email or first class mail. A majority of the Executive Committee may waive the meeting notice requirement as necessary. Except for the removal of officers or the revocation of a chapter's charter, the Executive Committee may conduct a meeting by telephone or other electronic conference.

3.5 Attendance. A member of the State Board who misses 3 consecutive meetings or 5 total meetings of the Executive Committee & State Board shall immediately cease to hold such office, unless a majority of the Executive Committee votes to waive this provision.

3.6 Quorum. Quorum for meetings of the State Board shall be a majority of the voting members of the State Board. Quorum for meetings of the Executive Committee shall be a majority of the voting members of the Executive Committee.

3.7 Proxies. Members of the Executive Committee shall not vote by proxy. A County Chair is permitted to designate a proxy that must be a fellow member of the State Board or a member

of their Chapter leadership team. This proxy must be written, signed, dated, and sent to the MDYR Secretary no later than 24 hours before the meeting. Use of a proxy does not excuse missed attendance.

ARTICLE IV

4.1 Convention. The MDYR shall hold an election convention every odd-numbered year no earlier than April 1 and no later than 30 days prior to the YRNF National convention. The MDYR shall hold a regular convention every even-numbered year at any date during that year to discuss business, objectives, and other necessary items.

(a) The Chairman shall set the date and location of every Convention.

(b) The Chairman or Secretary shall notify, in writing by first-class mail or e-mail, the Executive Committee, the Chairmen and Vice Chairman of each chapter in good standing of the MDYR of the date and location of a Convention no later than 60 days prior.

4.2 Voting Rights. The following shall have voting rights at a convention of the MDYR:

(a) The Chairman, Vice Chair, National Committeeman, National Committeewoman, Secretary, and Treasurer shall each have one vote. Any member of the Executive Committee shall receive only one vote, regardless of other status as a Chapter Chair or member.

(b) Any full member of an MDYR chapter in good standing who has met their financial obligations no sooner than 90 days prior to the date of the convention shall receive 1 vote.

4.4 Proxies. There will be no voting by proxy for the MDYR convention.

4.6 Quorum.

(a) Majority of all dues paying members of the MDYRS shall constitute a quorum or at least 2 delegates from a majority of chapters in good standing. At least $\frac{1}{4}$ of the chartered chapters must be represented at a convention.

(b) Those committee members present shall constitute quorum for a committee meeting

4.7 Transition Process. Upon election of a new officer, the incumbent Chairman and the incumbent Secretary shall jointly oversee the transition between officers. If both the incumbent Chairman and the incumbent Secretary are leaving their office at the same time, the General Counsel shall also oversee the process if applicable. If there is no General Counsel, the Chapter Chair that has served longest on the State Board member who is not a current member of the Executive Committee, henceforth herein to be referred to as the Dean of the Board, shall oversee the transition and enforce compliance with the election and these provisions.

(a) The transition period shall consist of the 30 days following the election of the new Executive Committee;

(b) During the transition period, all accounts and authorizations relevant to that office shall be transferred to the new officer;

(c) During the transition period, copies of all governing documents, official acts,

resolutions and other necessary documents relevant to that office shall be delivered to the new officer;

(d) During the transition period, an out-going officer shall deliver copies of documents relating to their specific office to the new holder of the office.

Section 4.08 Member Discipline. Any officer or member of the MDYR that fails to conform to the Constitution and Bylaws of the MDYR or whose actions are not in the best interests of the organization may be removed from office, expelled from the membership or otherwise disciplined.

(a) Any charges under this section must be submitted in writing to the Chairman, with a copy to the Secretary and the General Counsel if applicable, who shall present the charges to the Executive Committee for consideration.

1. If the Executive Committee finds, by a majority vote, that the charges warrant an investigation, the Chairman shall hold a hearing on the charges.

2. If a majority of the Executive Committee finds that the charges do not warrant an investigation, the charges shall be dismissed.

(b) Disciplinary Hearing. The Chairman shall set the date and location to hold an Executive Committee meeting for the purposes of a hearing on any charges found to warrant investigation by the Executive Committee.

(c) Chapters have the right to apply their own disciplinary process for individual members of their chapter as long as they are lawful, non-discriminatory, and abide by these and the YRNF bylaws. If the member in question is on the chapter's board or the chapter board is not comfortable handling the discipline process outlined in their bylaws or the MDYR bylaws, they may escalate the disciplinary process to the MDYR Executive Committee to be handled following the following process.

1. The Secretary shall mail a copy of the charges, with a notice of the hearing, to the accused officer or member at least 7 days prior to the hearing. The Secretary shall provide confirmation of delivery of the notice to the MDYR Chairman. The Secretary shall be permitted to email a copy of the charges to the charged officer or member so long as the Secretary can confirm receipt within the time frames provided by these bylaws.

2. The accused officer or member shall be requested to attend the hearing to be presented with the charges and offered an opportunity to provide a defense.

3. Quorum of the Executive Committee shall be required to hold the hearing.

(c) Disciplinary Action. The Executive Committee may take any disciplinary action against a member no later than 60 days after the hearing, with the exception of elected officers on the Executive Committee.

1. The Executive Committee shall approve the expulsion and lifetime banishment of a member from the MDYR by a 3/4ths vote

2. The Executive Committee may censure, suspend membership for a period of time, limit membership activity, require a reasonable fine or other form of restitution, or enact other minor disciplinary measures otherwise not covered under these bylaws by a majority vote

3. Expulsion of a member shall ban an individual from membership in the MDYR and its chapters. Other disciplinary actions may affect membership with

the MDYR and/or its chapters.

(d) Charges against Officers. In the case of charges against an elected member the Executive Committee, the Chairman (or the Vice Chair in the case of charges against the Chairman) shall present charges against an elected member of the Executive Committee at a State Board meeting no later than 30 days after submission of the charges. In the event that all members of the Executive Committee are implicated and charged, the responsibility for the referral of charges falls on the Dean of the Board and the trial held by the State Board in which the Dean of the Board presides.

1. The membership at a State Board meeting may remove an elected member of the Executive Committee from office with a 2/3rds vote of members present at a duly constituted State Board meeting

ARTICLE V

5.1 Elected Officers. The elected state officers of the MDYR shall be the Chairman, Vice Chair, National Committeeman, National Committeewoman, Secretary and Treasurer.

(a) No officer shall have attained the age of 39 by the commencement of their term in office;

(b) The Chairman and Vice Chair shall not be full members of the same chapter;

(c) Appointments shall terminate upon attaining the age of 41;

(d) Having no chapter in good-standing chartered in their county, an individual shall be eligible to hold office if a majority of the Executive Committee vote to waive the requirement or a majority of the delegates at a duly constituted convention of the MDYR vote to waive the requirement;

(e) The Chairman and Vice Chair shall have been members of the Executive Committee or a Chair of a Chapter in good-standing for at least six months prior to being elected;

(f) The Chairman, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, National Committeeman, and National Committeewoman shall have been a member of a chapter in good-standing of the MDYR (or an approved individual member) for at least 90 days prior to election and shall continue as a member of a chapter in good-standing (or an approved individual member) throughout his or her term in office.

5.2 Term. The term of office shall be a two year period which shall begin immediately upon being sworn in at the election convention.

5.3 Vacancy. The vacancy of any office, except for the office of Chairman, shall be filled by an appointment by the Chairman, with confirmation by a majority of the State Board.

(a) If the offices of Chairman and Vice Chair are all vacant at the same time, the Secretary shall serve as Acting Chair and shall call for an election convention within 60 days to fill the remainder of the terms in the vacant elected offices. If the office of the Secretary is also vacant, the Treasurer shall serve as Acting Chair to carry out this function. If all else fails, the Dean of the Board shall carry out this function.

5.4 Chairman. The Chairman shall call for, preside at and set the agenda for all meetings of the MDYR. He or she shall serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the MDYR, chair the Executive Committee, provide general supervision over the business, operations and activities of the MDYR and its chapters. The Chairman shall coordinate fundraising efforts and authorize the disbursement of funds as approved by the Executive Committee. The Chairman shall provide an annual report to the membership on the state of the MDYR. The Chairman shall represent the MDYR to the Young Republican National Federation, on the Leadership Committee of the Republican Party of Maryland and provide periodic reports on the MDYR to the Chairman of the Republican Party of Maryland. The Chairman shall serve as the official representative of the MDYR, designate additional ambassadors as deemed necessary, and may issue political statements on behalf of the organization, so long as such statements adhere to the MDYR Constitution and Bylaws. The Chairman may invite special attendees to any meeting or convention of the MDYR and may close any meeting or convention of the MDYR to the public. The Chairman may establish ad hoc committees and shall serve as an ex-officio member of all committees. The Chairman, or his designee, may attend any meeting of the MDYR and its chapters, and may require reports from any MDYR officer, appointee or chapter as deemed necessary. The Chairman shall be a signatory on all official acts, accounts and resolutions of the MDYR. The Chairman may appoint, and delegate authority to, executive professionals to manage the organization, with confirmation by a majority of the Executive Committee. All ad hoc appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the Chairman and be responsible to the Chairman. The Chairman shall decide all questions of order and perform such duties as usually pertain to the office of the Chairman.

5.5 Vice Chair. The Vice Chair shall promote the organization of the chapters and encourage their efficient and active operation. The Vice Chair shall ensure compliance with the MDYR annual chapter re-chartering process and be charged with managing the YRNF annual re-chartering process for the MDYR. The Vice Chair shall manage efforts to establish new chapters and shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chair. The Vice Chair shall perform the duties of the Chairman in the absence or disability of the Chairman. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the Chairman, the Vice Chair shall serve as Chairman until the next convention.

5.6 National Committeeman. The National Committeeman shall represent the MDYR with the Young Republican National Federation (YRNF). The National Committeeman shall be responsible for attending national committee meetings of the YRNF. If he cannot attend a YRNF national committee meeting, he shall make advance arrangements so that his proxy is present. The National Committeeman shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chair.

5.7 National Committeewoman. The National Committeewoman shall represent the MDYR with the Young Republican National Federation (YRNF). The National Committeewoman shall be responsible for attending national committee meetings of the YRNF. If she cannot attend a YRNF national committee meeting, she shall make advance arrangements so that her proxy is present. The National Committeewoman shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chair.

5.8 Secretary. The Secretary shall be the recording and correspondence officer of the MDYR. The Secretary shall perform such additional duties as are assigned by the Chairman. He or she shall attend all conventions and meetings of the MDYR, and meetings of the Executive Committee, and record and keep all documents and records thereof. The Secretary shall be a witness on all official acts and resolutions, and be responsible for their preservation and delivery to the successor to this office. The Chairman may assign an assistant to carry out these duties in the absence of the Secretary. The Secretary shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chair.

5.9 Treasurer. The Treasurer shall receive and account for the funds of the MDYR. The Treasurer shall deposit all funds into bank accounts which have been authorized by the Executive Committee and shall be a signatory on all bank accounts. The Treasurer shall account for all disbursements of funds, as approved by the Executive Committee. He shall record disbursements and receipts, and shall render accurate accounts of MDYR finances to the Executive Committee or upon the request of the Chairman. The Treasurer shall be responsible for all financial disclosures and filings as required by law, including, but not limited to, campaign finance reports and tax filings. The Treasurer shall assist the Chairman with fundraising activities and shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Finance Committee. The Treasurer shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the Chair.

5.10 General Counsel (optional). The Chairman may appoint a General Counsel, with confirmation by a majority of the Executive Committee. The General Counsel shall advise the MDYR concerning all legal matters. The General Counsel shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Committee and may be assigned other duties by the Chairman. The General Counsel must be an attorney licensed to practice in the state of Maryland and be in good standing with the Maryland State Bar Association. The Chairman may appoint assistant counselors, with confirmation by a majority of the Executive Committee, as deemed necessary. The general counsel does not need to be a member of the MDYR.

5.11 Election Process.

- (a) Nominations shall be made from the floor of a duly constituted convention
- (b) All officers shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast at the convention
- (c) Votes shall be cast by county and by closed ballot. The Chairman will designate a spokesperson for the Statewide Members, who will caucus together.
- (d) If any one candidate fails to obtain a majority of the vote for an office on the first ballot, the two candidates with the most votes on the first ballot shall proceed to a second ballot vote.

ARTICLE VI

6.1 Standing Committees. Standing committees shall be formed at the discretion of the chairman and include but are not limited to:

(a) Awards Committee. The Awards Committee shall be responsible for recommending the creation of awards and the recipients of such awards to the Executive Committee with the goal to honor and recognize Young Republicans, public officials and former Young Republicans who have made extraordinary contributions to the MDYR, its mission and in support of Young Republicans across the state of Maryland. This committee shall work in coordination with the fundraising efforts of the Finance Committee as deemed necessary by the Chairman.

(b) Bylaws Committee. The Bylaws Committee shall be responsible for proposing and recommending amendments to the MDYR constitution and bylaws. It shall ensure the governing documents of each chapter comply with the requirements of the MDYR governing documents. This committee shall serve as the Rules Committee for MDYR conventions.

(c) Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall coordinate fundraising programs for the MDYR. It shall develop and implement a fundraising and finance plan to support MDYR programs, build revenue and seek out prospective donors for the MDYR.

(d) Credentials Committee. The Credentials Committee is responsible for ensuring that all individuals registered for Convention of the MDYR are valid, dues paying, and full members of their County Chapter or the State. They shall give a report at the beginning of convention of those who have registered and are able to vote on all business and elections.

6.2 Ad hoc Committees. Ad hoc committee shall be formed at the pleasure of the Chair and shall carry out their responsibilities as defined by the Chairman or within these bylaws. These ad hoc committees may include but are not limited to:

(a) Campaign Committee. The Campaign Committee shall coordinate campaign operations with the Republican Party of Maryland and relevant chapters. This committee shall identify and recommend Young Republicans running for public office to the Executive Committee for their consideration of support.

(b) Communications Committee. The Communications Committee shall organize communications, marketing and public relations efforts for the MDYR. This committee shall also oversee technology used in communication efforts.

(c) Strategic Planning Committee. The Strategic Planning Committee shall recommend short-term and long-term goals for the MDYR to the Executive Committee. Upon adoption, this committee shall track the progress of those goals and make recommendations to the Executive Committee to successfully achieve those goals.

(d) State Committee Caucus: The State Committee Caucus shall host meetings and events as deemed necessary to support the goals of the Maryland Young Republicans and the Republican Party of Maryland. Each elected member of the State Central Committee or a public official in the State of Maryland who qualifies as a Young Republican shall be invited to become a member of this caucus.

6.3 Advisory Council. The Chairman may appoint former Young Republicans, Republican Party leaders, Republican elected officials and prominent Young Republican supporters to the MDYR Advisory Council. The council shall advise the Chairman, provide recommendations to the Executive Committee and support the efforts of the MDYR. The Chairman may assign other duties to the members of the council as deemed necessary. Quorum for meetings of the Advisory Council shall be those members present.

ARTICLE VII

7.1 National Association. The MDYR is a member of the Young Republican National Federation (YRNF)

7.2 Delegates to YRNF Convention. Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Young Republican National Federation shall be appointed by the Chairman, with confirmation by a majority of the State Board

(a) Members of the Executive Committee are responsible to help recruit delegates from across the State and may recommend nominees to the Chairman

(b) The Chairman, or his designee, shall serve as head of the delegation to the YRNF

(c) MDYR delegates shall vote unit rule at the National Convention on all matters that are considered, except for the adoption of resolutions or a platform. Unit Rule may be removed only by a 2/3rds vote of the entire delegation.

ARTICLE VIII

8.01 Parliamentary Procedure. The procedure in this organization shall be governed by the Constitution, bylaws and by the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order. In all voting, the majority shall rule unless otherwise provided for in the Constitution, Bylaws or the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE IX

9.1 Supremacy. These bylaws hereby serve as a revocation of any previous bylaws and establish supremacy over previous governing documents of the MDYR or the organization's previous incarnations.

9.2 Severability. The provisions of these bylaws are hereby declared severable. If any provision of these bylaws shall ever be deleted or amended, such deletion or amendment shall not affect the validity of any other section or provision thereof.

ARTICLE X

10.1 Amendments. These Constitution and Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3rds vote of those present at any convention of the MDYR

(a) The substance of any proposed amendment(s) to these bylaws must be proposed at the MDYR meeting prior to the convention or meeting at which they are to be voted upon or the amendment(s) must be sent via e-mail or first-class mail to each chapter's chair and vice chair no later than 30 days prior to the meeting at which they are to be voted upon

These bylaws hereby adopted by unanimous consent at a duly constituted constitutional convention of the Maryland Young Republicans on the 6th of November, 2021

