

**RESOLUTION OF THE RULES AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE OF THE
DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE**

Pursuant to its authority under Article II.10.d of the Bylaws of the Democratic National Committee (the “DNC”) to receive and consider all recommendations for amendments to the Rules and Bylaws of the DNC, the Rules and Bylaws Committee of the DNC hereby adopts the Resolution set forth below as its own and recommends that the Chair of the DNC refer the Resolution to the full DNC for consideration and adoption by mail ballot.

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RESOLUTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party has scheduled its National Convention (the “Convention”) for August 19-22, 2024, in Chicago, Illinois;

WHEREAS, six of the eight most recent national conventions of the two major political parties were completed after August 22;

WHEREAS, Ohio statute imposed an unnecessarily early deadline of August 7, 2024 for major party Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates to be nominated by their national conventions and certified to the secretary of state;

WHEREAS, Ohio easily passed statutes in 2012 and 2020 extending its certification deadline in order to accommodate the dates the major parties had chosen for their nominating conventions;

WHEREAS, for months, instead of taking the routine steps needed to address this scheduling discrepancy, such as passing simple legislation to adjust the certification deadline or confirming that the state would accept a provisional certification, Ohio Republicans demonstrated a clear intent to prevent a major party’s Presidential nominee from accessing the general election ballot;

WHEREAS, in a last minute special session, Ohio finally passed temporary legislation moving its certification deadline to September 1, 2024;

WHEREAS, this temporary legislation does not go into effect until August 31, 2024, the day before the new certification deadline;

WHEREAS, Ohio’s partisan obstruction and attempt to keep a major party Presidential nominee off the ballot has been an unprecedented attack on the rights of Ohio voters;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article II.8.h of the Bylaws of the Democratic National Committee (the “DNC”), the Chair of the DNC may refer matters to DNC members for consideration and vote by mail;

WHEREAS, pursuant Article V.A of the Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention, adopted by the DNC on September 22, 2022 (the “Call”), the DNC “has the authority to plan, arrange, manage and conduct the Democratic National Convention”;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article V.B of the Call, the DNC, in its sole discretion, may establish and organize a 2024 Democratic National Convention Committee (the “DNCC”) to exercise that authority on behalf of the DNC;

WHEREAS, the DNC established the DNCC on October 14, 2022;

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2024, the Rules and Bylaws Committee of the DNC adopted this Resolution confirming that the DNC has delegated to the DNCC its authority to plan, arrange, manage and conduct the Convention;

WHEREAS, the Rules and Bylaws Committee wishes to confirm through this Resolution that the DNCC's delegated authority to plan, arrange, manage and conduct the Convention includes the ability to adjust the mechanics of the Convention in order to protect the ability of our Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees to access the general election ballot in all 50 states and the District of Columbia and protect the ability of our nominees' voters in all 50 states to participate in the general election;

WHEREAS, the Rules and Bylaws Committee further recommends certain changes to the Call so as to safeguard the ability of all validly-elected Convention delegates to participate in the Convention, including in the vote to select our Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that delegates are given an opportunity to vote for our nominees before every state's ballot access deadline, it may become necessary this summer for the Convention's Rules Committee to adopt the Permanent Rules for the Convention and address other business, and for the Convention's Credentials Committee to consider and resolve questions concerning the seating of delegates and related issues, prior to delegates gathering in Chicago for the Convention's in-person proceedings during the week of August 19, 2024;

WHEREAS, the DNC will always promote policies that ensure that participants in our democracy are able to exercise their right to vote, both in an election and at a Convention;

NOW THEREFORE, the DNC hereby resolves that:

Under the Call, the DNCC has the authority to plan, arrange, manage and conduct the Convention, including the authority to set and alter the date, timing, format, voting mechanisms, structure, and other logistical aspects of the Convention outlined in the Call. Such authority includes, but is not limited, to the authority to alter the date on which the Convention begins and to provide a mechanism for delegates to vote before each state's ballot access deadline and before the delegates have convened in-person in Chicago.

The DNC further resolves that:

Article VII.I.1 is hereby deleted and replaced with the following language: "The Rules Committee may adopt the Permanent Rules of the Convention and the Convention agenda; select the permanent officers of the Convention; propose amendments, if any, to the Charter of the Democratic Party of the United States for the Convention's consideration; and propose resolutions concerning any other matter not provided for in the Permanent Rules of the Convention and not contained in the reports of other standing committees for the Convention's consideration. No amendment to the Charter of the Democratic Party shall be effective unless and until it is subsequently ratified by a vote of the majority of the entire membership of the Democratic National Committee. If the Rules Committee so adopts, rather than recommends, its report, the adopted report of the Rules Committee may be amended upon the adoption by a majority of the Convention delegates present and voting of any minority report passed pursuant to Article VII.I.3."

Article VII.J.1 is hereby deleted and replaced with the following language: "The Credentials Committee may determine and resolve questions concerning the seating of delegates

and alternates to the Convention pursuant to the resolution entitled the ‘Relationship Between the 2024 Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee and the 2024 Delegate Selection Rules,’ which includes the ‘Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2024 Democratic National Convention’ hereby approved and adopted by the Democratic National Committee, and set forth in full in the Appendix to this Call. If the Credentials Committee adopts, rather than recommends, its report, its determinations may be amended upon the adoption by a majority of the Convention delegates present and voting of any minority report passed pursuant to Article VII.J.3. The Credentials Committee does not have authority over the allocation and distribution of convention credentials, including passes for delegates, alternates, guests or press.”