

## Proposed Change to the National Bylaws #4

**Convention Year: 2026**

**Article: III, Section 4**

**Description: This proposed change would clarify whether, or not, an individual serving as national president is eligible to succeed themselves, or not.**

**Rationale: In the event there is a vacancy in the office of national president during the elected individual's term of office and there needs to be a special election this language would define whether, or not, the person elected in a special election is eligible to run during the next scheduled election for president.**

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To amend Article III, Section 4, to add the language at the end of the second sentence that says, “ unless the individual has been elected in a special election due to a vacancy in the office of president and the person serving as president has been serving less than two full years. No incumbent president seeking election shall be eligible to receive travel orders to any chapter conventions during the year they are running for reelection. (See Article VI, Section 1)”

Existing Provision	Provision With Proposed Changes
<p><b>Article III, Section 4</b></p> <p>The term of office for the National President shall be three (3) years and until his or her successor is elected. An incumbent National President may not seek re-election to a consecutive term.</p>	<p><b>Article III, Section 4</b></p> <p>The term of office for the National President shall be three (3) years and until his or her successor is elected. An incumbent National President may not seek re-election to a consecutive term <b>unless the individual has been elected in a special election due to a vacancy in the office of president and the person serving as president has been serving less than two full years. No incumbent president seeking election shall be eligible to receive travel orders to any chapter conventions during the year they are running for reelection. (See Article VI, Section 1).</b></p>

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Articles and Bylaws Committee: The committee voted unanimously to recommend adoption of this proposed change.

National Executive Board voted to: