

# By-Laws of the Las Animas County Republican Central Committee

## **Article I. Name, Organizational Structure, Purposes**

### Section 1. Name

The name of this organization shall be the “Las Animas County Republican Central Committee,” hereinafter referred in these By-Laws as the “County Central Committee.”

### Section 2. Organizational Structure

The County Central Committee is organized as an unincorporated nonprofit association, political organization, and local political party committee within the meaning of and pursuant to ( )527 of the Internal Revenue Act of 1954 and other political laws of the State of Colorado, and also under the rules and bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

### Section 3. Primary Purpose

The principle purpose of the County Central Committee is to perform the functions of a County Party Central Committee as set forth in the election laws of the State of Colorado and the rules and bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee; to elect duly nominated or designated Republican candidates to office; and to have such purposes and objectives not otherwise prohibited by the laws of the United States, the State of Colorado and the bylaws and rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

The County in the State of Colorado to which this County Central Committee corresponds is Las Animas (the “County”).

### Section 4. Pre-Primary Neutrality

No candidate for any designation or nomination for any Elective Office of this County, or any Elective Office of this State, or any Elective Office of a District comprised in whole or in part of this County, shall be endorsed, supported, or opposed by the County Central Committee, acting as an entity, or by its officers or committees, prior to the Primary Election, unless such candidate is unopposed in the Primary Election.

## Article II. Membership

### Section 1. Membership

- A. The membership (“Members”) of the County Central Committee shall consist of the following registered Republican electors and officials who reside within the territorial limit of Las Animas County, Colorado.
1. The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary of this County Central Committee;
  2. The elected or appointed Republican Precinct Committeepersons; the Republican County public officials, including: County Commissioner, County Clerk and Recorder, County Treasurer, County Assessor, County Sheriff, County Surveyor, and County Coroner;
  3. The State Senators and State Representatives;
  4. The United States Senators and United States Representatives;
  5. The Republican State public officials, including: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, State Attorney General, members of the State Board of Education, and Regents of the University of Colorado;
  6. The County and District Attorneys;
  7. And such other registered Republican electors who reside within the territory included in the limits of the County as may be required by the laws of the State of Colorado or the bylaws or rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.
  8. The Treasurer if voted to be added to the County Central Committee by a majority of the County Central Committee.
- B. Only registered Republican electors who reside within the territory included in the limits of Las Animas County shall be eligible to be voting members of the County Central Committee, and each member holding multiple offices shall be entitled to only one vote on any question.

### Section 2. Vacancies in Membership:

A vacancy in membership shall exist in the event of a Member’s ineligibility, death, resignation, removal, or inability to serve. Any vacancy shall be filled in accordance with Article IV.

## Article III. Officers, Executive Committee

### Section 1. Officers, Term and Qualifications

- A. Officers.** The elected officers of the County Central Committee shall be a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary (the “Executive Committee”). The appointed officer shall be the Treasurer.
- B. Officer Qualifications.** The officers shall each be registered Republican electors who reside within the territory included in the limits of the County. Persons elected to such officer positions may but do not need to otherwise qualify as members of the County Central Committee.

- C. **Officer Voting Membership.** The elected officers of the County Central Committee, by virtue of their office, shall be voting members of the County Central Committee during the term of their office.
- D. **Term of Office.** The elected officers of the County Central Committee shall assume their duties at the conclusion of the biennial Organizational Meeting, or at the conclusion of a meeting that may be called to fill a vacancy, and shall hold office until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified to serve.

## Section 2. Duties of Officers:

- A. **Chairperson.** The Chairperson shall perform such duties and have powers as are incident to the offices of Chairperson. In addition, the Chairperson shall:
  - 1. Preside over all meetings of the County Central Committee, and shall serve as Chair of the County Assembly.
  - 2. Serve as an *ex-officio* voting member of all committee meetings of the County Central Committee.
  - 3. Issue the Call and Notice of all meetings of the County Central Committee and for all meetings of any Vacancy Committee.
  - 4. Perform such other duties as the County Central Committee or Vacancy Committee may assign or may be required by law.
- B. **Vice-Chairperson.** The Vice-Chairperson shall assist the Chairperson in the execution of his or her duties. In addition, the Vice-Chairperson shall:
  - 1. Exercise the powers and assume the duties of the Chairperson in the absence, or in the inability to perform, of the Chairperson, except that the Vice-Chairperson shall not have the power to make any appointments.
  - 2. Perform such other duties as the County Central Committee or the Chairperson may assign.
- C. **Secretary.** The Secretary shall perform such duties and have such powers as are incident to the office of Secretary, including keeping a written record of the all proceedings of, and to be a custodian of, all records of the County Central Committee, County Assembly and any Vacancy Committee. The Secretary shall also maintain a current list at all times of all Members and officers of the County Central Committee. In addition, the Secretary shall:
  - 1. Provide to the Chairperson, at least three days prior to the convening of a County Assembly, a temporary roll of the delegates and alternates entitled to participate in such County Assembly.
  - 2. Serve as Secretary at all County Central Committee meetings and the County Assembly. Keep and be responsible for all funds, financial records, and reporting requirements, if any, of the County Central Committee and County Assembly. Prepare and verify all credentials for delegates and alternates, and serve as the Chair of the Credentials Committee of the County Assembly.
  - 3. File with the Colorado Secretary of State and the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, a list of names, addresses, telephone numbers, and electronic mail addresses of each County Central Committee officer and member of each Vacancy Committee not later than thirty (30) days after any change to the same, or as otherwise required by law.
  - 4. Prepare and verify certificates showing designations made by the County Assembly and selections made by any Vacancy Committee. Perform such other duties as the County Central Committee, any Vacancy Committee or the Chairperson may assign or may be required by law.

- D. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall perform such duties and have such powers as are incident to the office of Treasurer, including the duty to keep and be responsible for all funds, financial records, and reporting requirements, if any, of the County Central Committee and County Assembly. In addition, the Treasurer shall:
1. Perform such other duties as the County Central Committee or the Chairperson may assign or may be required by law.

### Section 3. Election of Officers:

- A. **Election of Officers.** Elected officers of the County Central Committee shall be elected at the biennial Organizational Meeting.
- B. **Persons Who May Nominate Officers.** Nominations for any elected officer of the County Central Committee must be made only by a member of the County Central Committee who is present at the biennial Organizational Meeting. No second to any nomination is required, however any person, including non-members, may be recognized to second a nomination or indicate endorsement.
- C. **Voting Procedure.** The officers of the County Central Committee shall be elected by a majority vote of those members of the County Central Committee present and voting. The election of County Central Committee officers shall be conducted by secret ballot or by a raise of hands unless there is only one nominee for the office, in which case the election may be made by voice vote.
- D. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Chairperson with the approval of the Executive Committee.

### Section 4. Executive Committee:

The County Executive Committee (“Executive Committee”) shall consist of the elected officers of the County Central Committee, namely the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson, and the Secretary.

- A. **Executive Committee Powers.** The Executive Committee may exercise any and all powers of the County Central Committee, except when the County Central Committee is joined in meeting and except for those powers which are specifically reserved to the County Central Committee or the County Assembly by these bylaws.
- B. **Executive Committee Meetings.** Meetings of the Executive Committee may be called on five (5) days written or electronic mail notice by the Chairperson or by any other member of the Executive Committee then in office, except that this notice provision may be waived by two thirds of the members of the Executive Committee.
1. Proxies shall not be permitted in voting on any matter by the Executive Committee.
  2. Voting by the Executive Committee shall be by voice vote, except that any voting member of the Executive Committee shall have the right to demand and have entered a roll-call vote of the Executive Committee upon any disputed question.

## Article IV. Las Animas County Vacancy Committee (LACVC)

### Section 1. Las Animas County Vacancy Committee Created and Empowered:

The Las Animas County Vacancy Committee (“LACVC”) shall be and is hereby organized and empowered to fill vacancies in County Central Committee officers, precinct committee-people, the designation and nomination of Republican candidates and any County Republican Elected Official, in accordance with relevant provisions of Colorado law.

### Section 2. Las Animas County Vacancy Committee:

The LACVC shall consist of all Members of the County Central Committee. Any vacancy shall be filled by a majority vote of those Members present in person at any vacancy committee meeting.

### Section 3. Vacancies, Removal of County Central Committee Officers and Precinct Committeepersons:

**A. Vacancy Conditions.** A vacancy in office shall exist in the event of an officer’s or precinct committeeperson’s ineligibility to hold office, death, resignation, removal, permanent absence or permanent disability.

1. The County Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall decide by majority vote of the members of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee whether sufficient evidence exists of the ineligibility, permanent absence, or permanent disability of any officer or precinct committeeperson.
2. A meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall be held at the call of the Chairperson within thirty (30) days of the effective date of any vacancy, and upon no fewer than ten (10) days written or electronic mail notice. In the case of a vacancy in the office of Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson shall issue the notice of the meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee.

**B. Removal of Officers.** The County Central Committee may remove any officer for good cause and declare a vacancy by the affirmative vote of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the members of the County Central Committee present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the County Central Committee, except that a majority of the members of the County Central Committee present and voting at a regular meeting of the County Central Committee may remove any officer if the basis for such removal is more than three unexcused absences at the regular meetings of the County Central Committee in a calendar year.

1. Notice of the intent to consider removal of any officer shall be provided in writing or by electronic mail no fewer than twenty(20) days before the date of the meeting to the officer and to the members of the County Central Committee.
2. The County Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall convene immediately upon adjournment of the meeting of the County Central Committee at which an officer is removed to fill the vacancy of such officer position.

**C. Removal of Precinct Committeepersons.** The County Central Committee may remove any precinct committeeperson for good cause and declare a vacancy by the affirmative vote of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the members of the County Central Committee present and voting at a regular meeting of the County Central Committee.

1. Notice of the intent to consider removal of any precinct committee person shall be provided in writing or by electronic mail no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting to the precinct committee person and to the members of the County Central Committee.
  2. The County Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall convene immediately upon adjournment of the meeting of the County Central Committee at which a precinct committee person is removed to fill the vacancy in such a precinct committee person position.
- D. **Declaration of Vacancy by State Chairman.** If a vacancy is declared or deemed to exist in an officer position for more than thirty (30) days and no meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee is pending pursuant to a call or notice to fill such vacancy, the Chairperson of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee may issue such a call or notice of a meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee to fill the vacancy in an officer position, or may appoint an eligible person to fill the vacancy.

#### Section 4. Vacancy in Designation or Nomination

A vacancy caused by any of the following shall be filled by the LACVC:

- A. The failure to designate a candidate at the County Assembly; or
- B. The declination, death, disqualification, resignation, or withdrawal of the person previously designated at the County Assembly; or
- C. The declination, death, disqualification, resignation, or withdrawal of the person nominated at the Republican primary election; or
- D. The declination, death, disqualification, or withdrawal of a candidate for elective office after a primary election at which a nomination could have been made for the office had the vacancy then existed.

No person is eligible for appointment to fill a vacancy in the party designation or nomination unless the person would have met all the qualifications of eligibility to be designated to the primary election ballot at the time of the County Assembly.

The LACVC shall certify the results of its selection to the Colorado Secretary of State and/or to the County and Recorder in accordance with law.

#### Section 5. Vacancy in any County Republican Elected Official:

When a vacancy occurs in the office of a Republican County Official elected at-large, or elected by all voters in the County, caused by:

- A. The death or resignation of a person who has been sworn into office; or
- B. The death or resignation of a person who has been elected to a seat but who had not yet been sworn into office; or
- C. A vacancy in a party nomination occurring less than eighteen days before the general election that is caused by the disqualification, or withdrawal of any person nominated at the primary election; or

- D. The declination, death, disqualification, or withdrawal of any elective officer after a primary election at which a nomination could have been made for the office had the vacancy then existed that cannot be filled before the general election; or
- E. A person not taking the oath of office within the time period required by law.

The vacancy shall be filled by the LACVC at the time the vacancy occurs and shall remain filled until the next regularly scheduled general election. The LACVC shall certify the selection of a person who meets the qualifications for Elective Office to the Colorado Secretary of State within thirty (30) days from the date the vacancy occurs; except that, in the case of a vacancy filled pursuant to the provisions of ( )1-4-1002(2.5), Colorado Revised Statutes (xxxx), or except as otherwise required by law.

#### Section 6. Notice of Las Animas County Vacancy Committee Meeting:

A meeting of LACVC may be called by the Chairman upon ten (10) days written or electronic email notice. Such notice shall clearly state the date, time, place, and purpose of the meeting.

#### Section 7. Las Animas County Vacancy Committee Quorum:

The quorum of the LACVC shall be one half (½) of the LACVC Members, and each must be present in person. No Member of the LACVC may vote or otherwise participate in any meeting or any selection or designation by proxy. If a quorum is not present at LACVC meeting, the LACVC shall adjourn the meeting to a future date, time, and place certain, within the period required under law to fill the vacancy, without republishing notice of the new meeting.

#### Section 8. Method of Voting

All voting by the LACVC shall be conducted by a secret ballot. The person to fill a vacancy shall only be selected if he/she receives a majority vote of those Members present. If there are multiple candidates for a single vacancy, balloting may be repeated until a majority vote is cast for one nominee, and no nominee shall be removed from any subsequent ballot unless such nominee voluntarily withdraws.

### **Article V. Meetings of the County Central Committee**

#### Section 1. Organizational Meeting:

**A.** The biennial **Organizational Meeting** of the County Central Committee shall be held between February 1st and February 15th of each odd-numbered year, or within such time period as may otherwise be required by law or the rules of the Republican Party, The purpose of the Organizational Meeting is to:

1. Elect a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary of the County Central Committee.

2. Elect such Bonus Members as may be allowed to the County Central Committee to the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, to the Congressional District Central Committee, and to the Judicial District Central Committee as provided for by law.
3. Select or ratify the selection of the Las Animas County Vacancy Committee in accordance with these bylaws.
4. Conduct other such business as may properly come before the County Central Committee.

**B. Organizational Meeting Notice.** Notice of the Organizational Meeting of the County Central Committee shall be distributed in accordance with Section 4 of this Article no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting.

**C.** If no meeting is held within the appropriate time frame for the biennial Organizational Meeting, the State Chairperson of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee may issue such a call or notice, and the State Chairperson may personally or by nominee preside at the meeting so noticed if the County Central Committee fails to provide a Chair.

## Section 2. Regular Meetings:

Regular Meetings of the County Central Committee may be held at a consistent time and place each month as determined by the Chairperson. Notice of the cancellation of any Regular Meeting or any change to the customary monthly meeting time or place of any Regular Meeting of the County Central Committee shall be distributed in accordance with Section 4 of this Article no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting to the members of the County Central Committee, or shall be announced at the prior Regular Meeting.

Notice of a County Central Committee meeting shall clearly state the time, date, and place of the meeting and, to the fullest extent possible, the business to be conducted at the meeting.

## Section 3. Special Meetings:

**Special Meetings** of the County Central Committee may be called at any time by the Chairperson on his/her own initiative or upon the written request of at least twenty-five percent of the total membership. If the Chairperson fails to act on their request within ten (10) days, then any voting member may issue the call at the Committee's expense.

**Special Meetings** shall be held no sooner than ten (10) days from the date the call is sent at the time, date, and place as designated by the person calling the meeting.

**Special Meeting Notice.** Notice of the Special Meeting of the County Central Committee shall be distributed in accordance with Section 4 of this Article no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting to the members of the County Central Committee.



The **Notice of Special Meeting** shall clearly state the time, date, and place of the meeting. The Notice shall specify a written agenda of the specific business to be conducted at said Special Meeting.

**Waiver of Notice of Special Meetings.** If two-thirds of the membership of the County Central Committee signs a **Waiver of Notice of the Call** of a special meeting of the County Central Committee, a special meeting of the Committee may be held without prior notice. Failure of the County Chairperson to properly provide a call for the Special Meeting shall not invalidate the need and purpose for the Special Meeting.

#### Section 4. Notice of all Meetings

Unless otherwise specified herein, the Members of any Regular or Special Meeting of the County Central Committee, Vacancy Committee, or other committee of the County Central Committee shall be notified by written or electronic mail notice. All notices shall be directed to the County Central Committee Member at his/her address(es) as it appears on the official Committee records as maintained by the Secretary.

#### Section 5. Form and Venue of Meetings, Electronic and Conference Calls

Except for the biennial Organizational Meeting, any meetings where changes to these bylaws are considered, or any meeting of any Vacancy Committee, or meetings of the County Central Committee may be held by telephone conference call, Skype, or by some other form of electronic communication that permits all participants to hear one another.

#### Section 6. Informal Action and Action by Written Consent:

Except for the biennial Organizational Meeting, or any meetings where changes to these bylaws are considered, or candidates are to be nominated, and/or vacancies are to be filled, any action or approval by the County Central Committee required to be taken at a meeting of the County Central Committee may be taken without a meeting if a written or electronic mail consent shall have been given by a two-thirds of the Members entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof. Such written consent may be transmitted in writing or by electronic mail to the address on file with the Secretary and properly verified as according to written policies established by the Executive Committee. The Chairperson shall determine the manner in which voting on any action taken without a meeting will occur. Any action taken without a meeting shall be ratified at the subsequent meeting of the County Central Committee.

## **Article VI. Voting at Meetings of the Committee**

### **Section 1. Method of Voting:**

**Voice or Rising Vote:** With the exception of the elections or removal of officers of the County Central Committee, or the designation or nomination of any candidate for Elective Office, all voting at meetings of the County Central Committee, or at the County Assembly, shall be by voice vote, by raise of hands, or by rising vote at the discretion of the Chairperson, unless otherwise provided by the affirmative majority vote of the members present and voting.

**Cumulative Voting, Unit Rule:** Cumulative voting (which permits an elector to give more than one vote to a single candidate) or Unit Rule shall not be allowed or adhered to at any meeting of the County Central Committee, any Vacancy Committee, or at the County Assembly.

### **Section 2. Proxies:**

Proxy voting shall not be permitted under any circumstances.

### **Section 3. Quorum Requirements:**

Those members present and voting at the Organizational Meeting, or at any Regular or Special Meeting of the Central Committee, shall constitute a quorum, so long as at least one member of the Executive Committee is present and due notice has been given and the meeting is held in accordance with these bylaws and rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

## **Article VII. Precinct Caucuses**

### **Section 1. Date and Location:**

Precinct caucuses shall be held in even-numbered years at 7:00 p.m. on the date provided for by law or the rules of the Republican National Committee at a private place in each precinct or at a public place within the County in or proximate to each precinct as determined by the County Central Committee or County Officers and posted as required by law.

### **Section 2. Voting Members:**

Voting members at each precinct caucus shall have been:

- A. A resident of the precinct for thirty (30) days; and

- B. Registered to vote no later than twenty-nine (29) days before the precinct caucus and affiliated with the Republican Party for at least two months as shown on the registration books of the County Clerk and Recorder or on the records of the Colorado Secretary of State; except that any registered Republican elector who has attained the age of eighteen years within the two months immediately preceding such precinct caucus or who has become a naturalized citizen within the two months immediately preceding the precinct caucus may vote at any caucus even though the elector has been affiliated with the Republican party less than two months.
- C. Such other registered Republican electors as may be present and otherwise entitled to participate in the Precinct Caucus as may be required by law.
- D. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted at any Republican Precinct Caucus.

### Section 3. Procedure

The eligible voting members at each Precinct Caucus present and voting shall:

- A. Elect by plurality vote a Precinct Caucus Chairperson and Secretary to serve as officers of the precinct caucus.
- B. Elect by plurality vote the delegates and alternate delegates to the County Assembly and for such other higher assemblies and/or conventions as determined by the County Central Committee or County Central Committee Officers using the following formula:
  1. There shall be one (1) delegate for each fifteen (15) votes, or any fraction thereof, cast in each precinct for the Republican candidate for President (or Governor); plus one (1) delegate. (Example: A precinct which had 33 votes cast for the candidate shall have four (4) delegates.)
  2. Each eligible voting member at the precinct caucus shall be entitled to vote for up to the total number of delegates and alternates to the County Assembly to be elected from the Precinct.
  3. In the event of a tie for the last available delegate or alternate delegate, the last available place shall be determined by lot. Cumulative voting or unit rule shall not be allowed or adhered to in the election of delegates or alternate delegates.
- C. Elect by plurality vote four Precinct Committeepersons.
- D. The four people receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected as the Precinct Committeepersons.
- E. If more than four candidates for Precinct Committeeperson receive an equal number of the highest votes, or if more than three people receive the second highest number of votes, or if more than two people receive the third highest number of votes, the election shall be determined by lot for such candidates with equal number of votes.
- F. Each Precinct Committeeperson shall hold such position for a term of two years after the date of his/her election and each shall serve until his/her successor is duly elected or appointed.
- G. The names of the Precinct Committeepersons and delegates and alternate delegates elected shall be certified to the County Assembly of the political party by the officers of the Precinct Caucus.
- H. For Precinct Caucuses occurring the year in which a national convention is to be held and a presidential candidate is to be nominated, or occurring in the year in which any candidate for statewide office is to be nominated, a non-binding preference poll shall be conducted for such offices and candidates as the Colorado Republican State Central

Committee Executive Committee may direct. Only eligible precinct caucus participants may participate in any preference poll.

- I. In no event, however, shall the results of any preference poll dictate or require the proportional allocation or representation of delegates chosen for any County Assembly, higher assembly or convention, or bind such delegates as may be chosen to vote for any particular candidate. The participants at each precinct caucus, or at any caucus, assembly, or convention of any county or district, alone shall determine if the results of any preference poll is to be a factor in the selection of individual delegates or alternate for any higher assembly or convention shall be compelled or required to identify the candidate he/she is supporting, but may do so at his or her option.
- J. A list of Election Judge/s, the number as stated in the Call published by the County Central Committee.

## **Article VIII. County Assembly**

### **Section 1. County Assembly**

**A. Date and Location.** The County Assembly shall be held on a date as provided for by law and the rules of the Republican Party following the Precinct Caucuses and at a time and location determined by the Chairperson of the County Central Committee.

**B. Call of the County Assembly.** The call of the County Assembly shall include a statement of the time, place, and purpose of the County Assembly, and shall be distributed or made available at the precinct caucuses or delivered in writing or by electronic mail, directed to the delegates and alternates selected at each Precinct Caucus, at his/her address(es) as provided by the officers of each Precinct Caucus.

### **Section 2. Qualifications of Delegates and Alternates**

The delegates and alternates to the County Assembly shall be those delegates and alternates selected at the Precinct Caucus that reside within the territory included in the limits of the County.

The Las Animas County Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary shall automatically be delegates to the County Assembly, to the States Assembly, and to all higher district assemblies and/or conventions. All other Las Animas County delegates and alternates to the State Assembly and to all higher district assemblies and/or conventions shall be elected by the county delegates at the County Assembly. A person must be a delegate or alternate delegate to the County Assembly in order to be eligible to be a delegate or alternate delegate to the State Assembly or to any higher district assemblies and/or conventions.

### **Section 3. Voting in the County Assembly**

**A. Proxies.** No proxies shall be allowed or recognized the County Assembly

**B. Vacancies.** Any vacancy in a delegate place shall be filled only from among the alternates in attendance at the County Assembly from the precinct for which there is a vacancy.

Alternates shall be seated as delegates in the order designated by their Precinct Caucuses.

**C. Designation.** The County Assembly shall take no more than two ballots for each office to be designated.

1. Every candidate receiving thirty percent (30%) or more of the votes of all duly accredited County Assembly delegates, who are present and voting for that office, shall be certified by affidavit of the presiding officer and secretary of the County Assembly.
2. If no candidate receives 30% or more of the votes of all duly accredited County Assembly delegates, who are present and voting for that office, on the first ballot, a second ballot shall be cast for all the candidates for that office. If, on the second ballot, no candidate receives 30% or more of the votes cast, the County Assembly shall certify the two candidates receiving the highest numbers of votes as candidates for the office.
3. The Certificate of Designation shall indicate the order of the vote received at the County Assembly by the candidates, but the County Assembly shall not declare that one candidate has received the nomination of the County Assembly. If two or more candidates receiving designation have received an equal number of votes, the order of certification of designation shall be determined by lot by the candidates.

**D. Requirements for Nominees.** No person shall be eligible for designation by the County Assembly to the Republican primary election ballot unless such person possesses the constitutional and statutory qualifications for such Elective Office and shall have been continuously affiliated as a Republican for at least thirty (30) days preceding the County Assembly, as shown by the voter registration rolls maintained by the County Clerk and Recorder or the Colorado Secretary of State.

## **Article IX. Amendment of These Bylaws**

These bylaws may be amended at any Regular or Special Meeting of the County Central Committee by the affirmative vote of two thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of those members present and voting. All proposed amendments to these bylaws shall be submitted, in writing, to the Executive Committee for a five-day evaluation and review. After this review, a complete copy of this proposed amendment shall be included in the next Notice of Meeting prior to any Regular or Special Meeting, no fewer than thirty (30) days prior to the meeting to the members of the County Central Committee. The Notice of Meeting shall contain a copy of the proposed amendments(s) that was submitted to the Executive Committee.