League of United Latin American Citizens April 26, 2024 Constitution Proposed Bylaws Amendments



I. Welcome

a. Included in this document are the proposed revisions in the standard 3 columns for the Constitution amendments.

II. Amendments

Amendment 1: ADD UPDATED PRAYER. Amend Prayer (Pg. 8) to read:

"Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage, we humbly beseech Thee that we may prove ourselves a people mindful of Thy favor and glad to do Thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindred and tongues. Imbue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in Thy name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to Thy law, we may show forth Thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity fill our hearts with thankfulness; in the day of trouble suffer not our trust in Thee to fail; all of which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dear God, you who have given us this country as our inheritance, we humbly ask you that we may remember always your blessings and do your will gladly. Bless our country with honest jobs, a good education and respect for one another. Protect us from harm, disagreements and uncertainty; from thinking too much of ourselves and from other ways that are wrong. Watch over our freedoms and bring us together as one from among many, with different cultures and ways of speaking. Place your spirit of wisdom in the people who in your name we trust to govern, so that we can live with justice and peace in our country. Also, that by obeying your laws, we can praise You around the world. When times are good, may our hearts be full of thanks. When there's trouble, may our trust in You not fail us. We ask all of this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

CURRENT LANGUAGE

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

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Amen.

IF ADOPTED WILL READ

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RATIONALE: This Prayer allows for students/youth members to be able to easily read and understand the prayer as the language is a bit dated in the original prayer.

Amendment 2: ADD AMENDED YOUTH DATE. Amend Article I: Name and Organization, Section 3 – Powers The LULAC Youth is empowered subsection e. (Pg.12) to read:

"To hold youth conventions as provided for in this constitution with regard to dates, sites, determination of delegations, etc. At such conventions the LULAC Youth may carry through activities as this constitution provides for. LULAC Youth will hold its state conventions in April, May or June, and its National Convention in July in order for the youth to be properly supervised by the National Directors of Youth Activities and the Sponsoring Senior Councils."

CURRENT LANGUAGE	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
To hold youth conventions as	To hold youth conventions as	To hold youth conventions as
provided for in this	provided for in this constitution	provided for in this constitution
constitution with regard to	with regard to dates, sites,	with regard to dates, sites,
dates, sites, determination of	determination of delegations,	determination of delegations,
delegations, etc. At such	etc. At such conventions the	etc. At such conventions the
conventions the LULAC	LULAC Youth may carry	LULAC Youth may carry
Youth may carry through	through activities as this	through activities as this
activities as this constitution	constitution provides for.	constitution provides for.
provides for. LULAC Youth	LULAC Youth will hold its	LULAC Youth will hold its
will hold its state conventions	state conventions in May or	state conventions in April, May
in May or June and its	June April, May or June, and its	or June, and its National
National Convention in July	National Convention in July in	Convention in July in order for
in order for the youth to be	order for the youth to be	the youth to be properly
properly supervised by the	properly supervised by the	supervised by the
National Directors of Youth	National Directors of Youth	National Directors of Youth
Activities and the Sponsoring	Activities and the Sponsoring	Activities and the Sponsoring
Senior Councils.	Senior Councils.	Senior Councils.

RATIONALE: Adding flexibility for youth councils to have their State conventions during these 3 months, allows them to schedule around major school events such as Senior Activities (Graduation, Prom etc.), State Testing/AP Testing and any other events depending on school districts.

Amendment 3: DEFINE MAY MEETING Amend Article II: Organizational Structure, Section 8 – The Local Youth Council, Subsection e. Responsibilities (6) (Pg.24) to read:

"To hold yearly elections of officers during the latter part of March of each year. New youth council officers shall be installed at the District Youth Convention and shall assume office immediately thereafter. In areas where no district youth conventions are held, new officers shall be installed and shall assume office in the council's first May Meeting. To assume such other powers and duties it may see fit for the good and welfare of the LULAC Youth, provided such are not in conflict with this constitution or with the policies of the League;"

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RATIONALE: Add clarification and emphasis as to when duties will take into effect (First May meeting, not First of May).

Amendment 4: UPDATE WORDING. Amend ARTICLE IV: National Youth Officers, Section 9 – Duties and Responsibilities of National Youth Officers, Subsection a. (5) (Pg.30), by replacing Senior with Adult to read:

"To attend Adult LULAC National Board and National Executive Committee meetings and to report at such the status and needs of the LULAC Youth"

CURRENT LANGUAGE	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
To attend Senior LULAC	To attend Senior Adult LULAC	To attend Adult LULAC
National Board and National	National Board and National	National Board and National
Executive Committee	Executive Committee meetings	Executive Committee meetings
meetings and to report at	and to report at such the status	and to report at such the status
such the status and needs of	and needs of the LULAC Youth;	and needs of the LULAC Youth
the LULAC Youth;		

RATIONALE: The Adult LULAC Councils no are no longer referred to as Senior LULAC Councils (apply to similar usage of the word Senior).

Amendment 5: REMOVE SECTION 4. Amend ARTICLE VIII: Youth Members, Section 4 (Pg.40) to read:

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CURRENT LANGUAGE	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
All persons wishing to join	All persons wishing to join	
LULAC Youth as an active	LULAC Youth as an active	
member must make a formal	member must make a formal	
written application, in the	written application, in the form	
form supplied by the	supplied by the National Youth	
National Youth Office, to the	Office, to the council with	
council with which they wish	which they wish to be members.	
to be members. Any person	Any person wishing to join	
wishing to join LULAC	LULAC Youth as an associate	
Youth as an associate youth	youth member must have an	
member must have an	application submitted to the	
application submitted to the	National Youth Executive	
National Youth Executive	Committee.	
Committee.		

RATIONALE: Formal written applications are no longer required to become a LULAC Youth Members.

Amendment 6: REMOVE SECTION 7. ARTICLE IX: General Provisions, Section 7 – Membership Pin (Pg.44) to read:

CURRENT LANGUAGE PROPOSED AMENDMENT IF ADOPTED WILL READ a. The LULAC Pin is an a. The LULAC Pin is an exact exact replica of the Emblem replica of the Emblem or shield or shield made of gold and made of gold and porcelain, porcelain, except that the except that the stars and white stripes and stars and white stripes and the letters on the white band the letters on the white band shall be gold; shall be gold; b. The Pin may be worn as a b. The Pin may be worn as a lapel pin, tie clasp, or tie tack lapel pin, tie clasp, or tie tack by men, as a pendant or bracelet by men, as a pendant or bracelet charm by women or charm by women or as a ring by as a ring by both men and both men and women. women.

RATIONALE: Youth members are not eligible to receive LULAC Pins.

Amendment 7: ADD AMENDED YOUTH DATE. Amend ARTICLE XII: The Youth Constitution & Bylaws, Section 1 – Enabling and Repealing Provision, subsection e. (Pg.49), by including "Amended by youth 2024 board to read:

"The year of commission of this Constitution is 2002, Amended by the youth 2024 board"

CURRENT LANGUAGE	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
The year of commission of	The year of commission of this	The year of commission of this
this Constitution is 2002.	Constitution is 2002 -, Amended	Constitution is 2002, Amended
	by youth 2024 board	by the youth 2024 board

RATIONALE: This Constitution was Amended by the youth in 2024, date must be documented.