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CONSTITUTION

The members of the Republican County Committee of Gloucester County, in the State of New Jersey, pursuant to the provision of an Act of the New Jersey Legislature, entitled "State of New Jersey Title 19 Elections" (Revised Statutes New Jersey February, 1971), and the several supplements and amendments thereto, do hereby adopt the following Constitution and By-Laws for their proper government.

ARTICLE I

Name and Object

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "Republican County Committee of Gloucester County".

Section 2. The object of the County Committee shall be to direct the affairs further the interest of the Republican Party.

ARTICLE II

Membership, Terms and Vacancies

Section 1. The Republican County Committee of Gloucester County shall consist of two members, one male and one female, from each unit of representation in the County, to be elected in accordance with the Act of the Legislature governing elections of County Committees.

The Republican State Committeeman and State Committeewoman from Gloucester County shall be honorary members.

Section 2. The members of the Republican County Committee of Gloucester County shall take office on the first Saturday following their election, on which day the terms of all members of said Committee heretofore elected shall terminate, unless otherwise provided by statute.

Section 3. Vacancies caused by death, resignation, failure to elect or otherwise, shall be filled for the unexpired term by the municipal committee of the Municipality wherein the vacancy occurs, if there is such a committee, and if not, by the remaining members of the County Committee representing the territory in the county in which such vacancy occurs. Municipal committee means the elected members of the county committee resident in the respective Municipalities, who have organized themselves into a Municipal committee as provided by law.

Section 4. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the office of the County Chairman, for any cause, it shall be the duty of the First Vice Chairman to call a special meeting of the County Committee to fill such vacancy for the balance of the term. This call for the special meeting to be issued and the meeting held within 20 days after such vacancy shall occur.

ARTICLE III

Annual Meeting, Election of Officers

Section 1. The annual meeting of the Republican County Committee of Gloucester County shall be held on the first Tuesday following the primary election, except when such meeting day falls on a legal holiday, then the said meeting shall be held on the day following at an hour and place to be designated in a notice in writing to be **electronically** mailed (**email**), and by regular post to those without email by the Chairman of the outgoing committee to each member-elect.

Section 2. At the annual meeting of the Republican County Committee of Gloucester County, the members of said committee shall elect from within or without its membership a registered Republican as Chairman to hold office for two years (amended 6/13/06) or until his or her successor is elected. The members shall also elect a First Vice Chairman of the opposite sex of the chairman and a Secretary and Treasurer, all to hold office for two years (amended 6/13/06) or until his or her successor is elected. The Chairman may also appoint a 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Vice Chairman. The election of Chairman, First Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer shall take place in the year following the election of County Committee.

ARTICLE IV

Duties and Committees

Section 1. The duties of the Vice Chairmanships shall be assigned by the County Chairman. The Secretary shall make a report or resume' of the proceedings of each meeting. The Treasurer shall present a financial report when called upon to do so by the Chairman.

Section 2. The Chairman of the County Committee shall preside at all meetings of said committee and shall appoint any and all committees, and shall be an ex-officio member of all such committees.

Section 3. The County Chairman shall appoint three Executive Directors to head three standing committees, which shall be known as the Executive Director of Finance, Executive Director Publicity and Campaign, and Executive Director of Party Organization and Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Executive Director of Finance shall direct the activities of the Finance Committee, which shall consist of three or more suitable persons, appointed by the Executive Director together with the Treasurer of the County Committee.

Section 5. The Executive Director of Publicity and Campaigns shall head the publicity and campaign committee which shall consist of seven or more suitable persons. This committee shall have charge of campaign activities. The Executive Director of this committee may meet with candidates and the County Officers to name one or more campaign managers to coordinate the campaign for the General Election for the Republican Candidates.

Section 6. The Executive Director of the Party Organization and the Executive Committee shall coordinate all activities with the Municipal Committeemen and women to see that all vacancies are filled, all Municipal Executive Committees are organized, District Election Boards are filled and regular Municipal meetings are held for Committeemen and women. He shall serve as a liaison between the County Chairman and all Municipal Committee Republican men and women. This committee shall be made up of all Municipal Executive Chairmen who will meet to have their recommendations presented to the County Officers.

Section 7. All three Executive Directors shall serve at the pleasure of the County Chairman and shall keep the County Chairman informed at all times of their activities. The County Chairman shall be ex-officio member of all such committees.

ARTICLE V

Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of all the membership of the Republican County Committee of Gloucester County, provided due notice thereof shall have been electronically mailed (email), and by regular post to those without email by the Secretary to the addresses, (email or regular post) of each member at least five days prior to the meeting at which such amendment is to be acted upon, in which notice shall be included a copy of the proposed amendment.

Section 2. Whenever any law shall be enacted by the Legislature of the State of New Jersey which law in any way conflicts with any provision of this Constitution, this Constitution shall be considered amended and/or supplemented by such Legislation without any further act on the part of the County Committee.

ARTICLE VI

Term of Office

Section 1. The term of office of a member of the member of the Republican County Committee of Gloucester County shall be for a two year term. The election of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected in alternate years of the County Committee.

Section 2. This Amendment shall take effect at the first election following adoption of this amendment.

Dated: June 14, 1974

Article VI-Adopted June 9, 1998

Article III-Amended June 13, 2006

Articles III, V, and VI-Amended March 7, 2015

BY-LAWS

Rule 1 – Meetings. All meetings of the Republican County Committee of Gloucester County, other than those provided for by law, shall be held from time to time as determined by the County Committee, or at the call of the Chairman. Fifteen members may request the Chairman to call a special meeting of the County Committee and in default of the Chairman calling such meeting, may, by five days notice in writing to each member of the County Committee call a meeting thereof. When a special meeting is called and notice given to the members as prescribed therein, the reasons of the special meeting shall be specifically stated in such notice.

Rule 2 – Quorum. One fourth of all County Committee members shall constitute a quorum to transact business but a smaller may adjourn from time to time.

Rule 3 – Order of Business. The order of business at every meeting of the County Committee shall be as follows:

1. Chairman calls meeting to order
2. Roll call of members
3. Minutes of previous meeting
4. Report of Committees
5. Communications
6. Unfinished Business
7. New Business
8. Adjournment

Rule 4 – Advisory Committee. There shall be an Advisory Committee to the County Committee, all of whom shall be members of the Republican Party and residents of Gloucester County, to be consisted of and be selected as follows:

The Republican State Committeeman and Committeewoman

All elected Federal, State and County Officials

Officials provided for in the Constitution of the County Committee, and

Such other persons as the County Chairman shall from time to time appoint

The Advisory Committee shall hold office for one year, or until a succeeding Advisory Committee is elected or appointed.

The Advisory Committee shall be a policymaking committee on any and all matters pertaining to the Republican Party in Gloucester County.

Rule 5 – Payment of Bills. All bills against the County Committee of Gloucester County shall be paid by check, signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the County Chairman.

Rule 6 – Amendments. These By-laws may be amended at any meeting of the County Committee by a unanimous vote of all members present, or failing a unanimous vote shall be laid over to the next meeting when a majority vote of those present shall be required for adoption of amendments.

Rule 7 – Conflict of By-laws with Statute. Whenever any law shall be enacted by the Legislature of the State of New Jersey which law in any way conflicts with any provision in these By-laws, shall be considered amended and/or supplemented by such legislation without any further act on the part of the County Committee.

Rule 8 – All rules and By-laws now in force or effect are hereby repealed and this revision shall go into effect immediately.

Dated: June 14, 1974.