MAVERICK PARTY BYLAW 002

1. NAME

- 1.1. The name of the Party is the Maverick Party.
- 1.2. The name of the political party registered with Elections Canada is "Maverick Party", herein called the "Party".
- 1.3. This document makes up the bylaws of the Party, herein called the "Bylaws".
- 1.4. All references herein to Party shall be deemed to be separate from any societies, organizations or other groups similarly named.

2. OBJECT

The objectives of the Party are:

- 2.1. To build and maintain a political party capable of forming the Opposition Party of Canada, while advancing the principles and policies approved by its members.
- 2.2. To do all such other activities or things as are approved by the members to respect, seek out, reflect, strengthen, and integrate into its decisions, the valuable insights and practical solutions of Party members and all western Canadians.
- 2.3. To encourage the healthy development of a vigorous and vibrant civil society.
- 2.4. To protect western Canadian interests from unnecessary federal government intrusion into the legitimate affairs of small businesses, families, volunteer and cultural associations.
- 2.5. To widely and thoroughly consult with all stakeholders whose welfare may be affected by federal government decisions.
- 2.6. To vigorously defend, preserve and promote western Canada's diverse interests regionally, nationally, and internationally.
- 2.7. To foster relationships with provincial and territorial governments to cooperate, develop and enact constitutional amendments enabling significant provincial and regional autonomy.
- 2.8. To collaborate with like-minded political parties and other organizations within western Canada, the territories, and in other provinces who share our goals for prosperity, equality and greater autonomy for western Canada.

3. DEFINITIONS

Terms defined in Applicable Laws shall have the same meaning in the Constitution unless otherwise defined herein.

Terms importing the singular shall include the plural and vice versa; terms importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine gender and vice versa.

3.1. "Affiliated organization" means an organization which has been recognized by the Governing Council pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution.

- 3.2. "Arbitration Committee" means the arbitration and dispute resolution committee established pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution.
- 3.3. "By-law" means a by-law enacted by the Governing Council pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution.
- 3.4. "Caucus" means a group of members who are elected as MP's in the House of Commons representing Maverick Party.
- 3.5. "Chief Financial Officer" (CFO) is the executive responsible for the Maverick Party Fund in conjunction with the leader and his designates.
- 3.6. "Constitution" means the constitution of the Party, as amended from time to time.
- 3.7. "Electoral District Association" (EDA) means an association in a federal electoral district recognized by the Governing Council pursuant to the Constitution.
- 3.8. "Electoral District Association Board of Directors" (EDABD) means the elected board of an electoral district.
- 3.9. "Governing Council" means the Party's board of directors.
- 3.10. "Leader" means the leader of the Party.
- 3.11. "Leadership selection process" means the process for selecting a Leader provided for in the Constitution.
- 3.12. "Maverick Party Fund" (MPF) means the fundraising arm and Chief Agent of the Party provided for in Article 7 of the Bylaws.
- 3.13. "Member" and "membership" means a member and the membership of the Party respectively unless the context otherwise requires.
- 3.14. "Party Convention" means a meeting of members provided for in Article 6 of the Bylaws. It is a meeting to ratify the Party constitution, bylaws and EDA bylaws. It is also to elect Governing Council Directors. Updated or new policies can also be ratified by members at a party convention.
- 3.15. "President" means the Chief Executive Officer who is responsible for overseeing the effective operations of the Governing Council.
- 3.16. "Presidents' Forum" means an affiliated organization consisting of presidents of EDAs and other members of the Party on a national or regional level, as recognized by the Governing Council.
- 3.17. "Regional District Committee" (RDC) means provincial or territorial district directors.
- 3.18. "True western representation" means that members of Parliament are representing their western constituents and not beholden to a national party with whom they are sitting in the House of Commons.

4. MEMBERSHIP, FEES AND SUSPENSION

4.1. Resident: Every Canadian citizen or landed immigrant who is fourteen (14) years of age or older, is a resident of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan or Manitoba ('Western Canada') or the Territories, and who supports the Mission and Guiding

- Principles of the Maverick Party, is entitled to purchase a Maverick Party membership and is entitled to vote in Maverick Party matters.
- 4.2. Non-resident: Every Canadian citizen or landed immigrant who is fourteen (14) years of age or older, who resides outside Western Canada or the Territories, and who supports the Mission and Guiding Principles of the Maverick Party, is entitled to purchase a membership and support the Maverick Party but is not entitled to vote in Maverick Party matters.
- 4.3. Membership fees shall be set by the Governing Council. Members are able to print a membership card through the Party website.
- 4.4. Following receipt of an appropriate membership fee the Party shall be able to print a membership card on the Party website.
- 4.5. Fourteen (14) days after payment of a membership fee in the amount and in the manner specified by Governing Council every member is entitled to:
 - 4.5.1. Participate in any meeting of the EDA in which that person resides or serves as a member of Governing Council;
 - 4.5.2. Vote for, and stand for election to, the board of directors of any EDA in which that person resides;
 - 4.5.3. Attend any Party Convention upon payment of the prescribed fee.
- 4.6. The Governing Council may set out rules and procedures for the suspension, revocation, and reinstatement of membership upon a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of its members and this decision may not be challenged in any other forum, unless otherwise set out in rules:
 - 4.6.1. Suspension of Membership: Governing Council may revoke or suspend any membership for any conduct it judges improper or unbecoming of a member of the Party. Prior to revoking or suspending a membership, the member or former member affected is entitled to a fair process.
 - 4.6.2. Reinstatement: Governing Council may, at its discretion, reinstate membership if it judges sufficient time has elapsed since a suspension and/or it is otherwise agreed appropriate to do so as per 4.6.
- 4.7. Each of the following must be a member of the Party in good standing upon assuming office:
 - 4.7.1. the leader;
 - 4.7.2. deputy leader;
 - 4.7.3. members of Governing Council;
 - 4.7.4. directors of the Maverick Party;
 - 4.7.5. directors of Maverick Party Fund; and
 - 4.7.6. parliamentary candidates of the Maverick Party.

5. HEAD OFFICE AND REGIONS

- 5.1. The Head Office shall be located in western Canada.
- 5.2. Maverick Party Employees: The Governing Council, on the recommendation of the Leader, shall be responsible for hiring the Executive Director, who is responsible for the hiring and supervision of Party employees, including:
 - 5.2.1. Support staff: The executive director, in consultation and with the approval of the Governing Council, shall determine the number of Party employees, their duties and remuneration.
 - 5.2.2. Research Branch: If the Governing Council and Executive Director consider it necessary and if Party finances allow, a Research Branch staffed with employees, may be established and for such time as decided by the Leader and Governing Council.
- 5.3. The five (5) regions of the Maverick Party are:
 - 5.3.1. British Columbia
 - 5.3.2. Alberta
 - 5.3.3. Saskatchewan
 - 5.3.4. Manitoba
 - 5.3.5. Territories of Yukon, Northwest Territory and Nunavut.

6. MAVERICK PARTY MANAGEMENT

- 6.1. Governing Council
 - 6.1.1. A Board of Directors, called Governing Council, ratified or elected by the membership, shall be responsible for the day-to-day operations and management of the Party. There shall be a minimum of five (5) and a maximum of twenty-three (23) members of the Governing Council, who are representative of all five (5) of the regions.
 - 6.1.2. Governing Council shall be composed of up to:
 - 6.1.2.1. Two (2) members from each of the western provinces, with one being elected at each Party Convention;
 - 6.1.2.2. One (1) member from each of the Territories elected at each Party Convention;
 - 6.1.2.3. The Maverick Party Leader or Interim Maverick Party Leader as the case may be;
 - 6.1.2.4. The Maverick Party Deputy Leader. The Deputy Leader shall be appointed by the Leader, will occupy this position at the pleasure of the Leader, and will be responsible for performing all duties and responsibilities of the Leader if and when the Leader is unable or unwilling to do so;
 - 6.1.2.5. The Executive Officers;
 - 6.1.2.6. The executive director, in a non-voting capacity.

- 6.1.3. The following may not hold office as an elected member of Governing Council;
 - 6.1.3.1. Members of Parliament or Senators, except the Leader;
 - 6.1.3.2. employees or contractors of the Party;
- 6.1.3.3 employees or contractors of Senators or Members of Parliament including political staff of Ministers of the Crown; or
 - 6.1.3.4 members of provincial or territorial legislative assemblies.
- 6.1.4. The Governing Council shall appoint the returning officer for elections to the Governing Council and set out rules and procedures for the conduct of any election.
- 6.1.5. No person shall be considered for selection as a candidate for the Governing Council unless that person has signed the following affirmation: "I have read, understand, and do hereby affirm my personal commitment to the principles, policies and Constitution of the Maverick Party."
- 6.1.6. Immediately following each Party Convention at which an election of Governing Council occurred, Governing Council shall elect by simple majority from its members a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and such other positions as it may determine:
 - 6.1.6.1. The President shall act as Chair of the Governing Council.
 - 6.1.6.2. The Vice-President shall act as Chair of the Governing Council when the President is not available.
 - 6.1.6.3. The Secretary is accountable for keeping and maintaining the records of the Party.
- 6.1.7. Governing Council has the following powers and responsibilities:
 - 6.1.7.1. The establishment and recognition of EDAs and the terms of their constitutions, including processes for the conduct of founding meetings, and the transfer of assets in the event of redistribution;
 - 6.1.7.2. The development and implementation of rules and procedures to ensure fair and effective candidate recruitment and selection;
 - 6.1.7.3. The development and implementation of rules and procedures to allow the membership to review and amend Party Policy at Policy Conventions; The organization and management of Party and/or Policy Conventions;
 - 6.1.7.4. The establishment of committees as Governing Council requires to carry out its responsibilities;
 - 6.1.7.5. Other responsibilities set out in this By-Law 002 or as may be assigned by the membership or the leader.
- 6.1.8. The Governing Council shall be empowered to deal with Party administrative and organizational matters as they arise from time to time without seeking the approval of the membership.

- 6.1.9. The Governing Council may suspend or remove a member of Governing Council, at a meeting called for that purpose, whose conduct is judged improper or unbecoming, or likely to adversely affect the interest or reputation of the Party, on approval of two-thirds (2/3) of its members.
- 6.1.10. Disputes concerning the suspension or removal of a member of the Governing Council shall be adjudicated by a panel of the Arbitration Committee whose decision shall be final and binding.
- 6.1.11. The Governing Council shall meet at least monthly, at the call of the President, the leader, or upon written request of at least three (3) members of the Governing Council.
- 6.1.12. A quorum of Governing Council is a majority of Governing Council.
- 6.1.13. Members of Governing Council shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred while fulfilling their responsibilities on Governing Council.
- 6.1.14. Other than the Party leader and executive director, members of the Governing Council and its committees are to be volunteers and receive no compensation for their service.
- 6.2. The Executive of the Governing Council consists of the following persons:
 - 6.2.1. President
 - 6.2.2. Vice President;
 - 6.2.3. Secretary;
 - 6.2.4. Chief Financial Officer (CFO); and sits on the Maverick Party Fund (Chief Agent of the Party for Elections Canada)
 - 6.2.5. VP Membership
 - 6.2.6. VP Communications
 - 6.2.7. VP Fundraising
 - 6.2.8. VP Policy and Governance
 - 6.2.9. VP EDA Development
 - 6.2.10. VP First Nations
 - 6.2.11. VP Young Mavericks
 - 6.2.12. VP of Military and Veteran Affairs
- 6.3. Committee Chairs are not part of the Executive, but may be composed of Governing Council members. The Committee Chairs shall be
 - 6.3.1. Election Readiness;
 - 6.3.2. Candidate Selection and Training;
 - 6.3.3. Conventions;
 - 6.3.4. Any other committees that the Governing Council deems necessary to carry on the business of the Party.

7. ELECTORAL DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS (EDAs)

- 7.1. Organization: EDAs are the primary grassroots organizations, in addition to participating at Party Conventions and meetings, where the activities and rights of members occur. The Governing Council shall recognize one (1) Maverick Party EDA in each Canadian Federal electoral district within the five (5) regions of the Party.
- 7.2. Constitution, Bylaws, Committees, and candidate selection: EDAs shall comply with governance requirements such as:
 - 7.2.1. following the EDA Handbook approved by the Party,
 - 7.2.2. following the Party's Constitution and By-Laws,
 - 7.2.3. following the EDAs Constitution and By-Laws,
 - 7.2.4. following accepted accounting and financial management reporting as well as the requirements of the Canada Elections Act.

8. MAVERICK PARTY LEADER

- 8.1. The Leader is the chief public official of the Party, whose authority includes that specified for the leader of a party pursuant to the Canada Elections Act. The Leader shall promote the Party, its principles, and policies.
- 8.2. The leader shall recommend the executive director for the Party subject to ratification by the Governing Council.
- 8.3. The leader shall provide a report to, and carry out an accountability session with, the delegates at every Party Convention.
- 8.4. The leader shall provide a report to the Governing Council regularly.
- 8.5. In the event of any of the following, Governing Council shall implement the leadership selection process at the earliest convenient date thereafter:
 - 8.5.1. The death or retirement of the Party leader;
 - 8.5.2. The leader indicates an intention to resign by submitting notice in writing to the President of the Governing Council; or
 - 8.5.3. More than fifty percent (50%) of the votes cast at a Party Convention in favour of implementing a leadership selection process.
- 8.6. Leadership Convention: A special ad hoc committee of Governing Council shall be formed to determine the eligibility to be a candidate, candidate requirements, nomination requirements and procedure; campaign rules; voting procedure and rules for selecting the Party leader;
- 8.7. In the event of the implementation of the leadership selection process, the following shall apply:
 - 8.7.1. The Governing Council shall appoint an interim Party leader. A person appointed as interim leader may not be nor become a candidate in the leadership selection process. An interim leader may, but need not be appointed, where the leader has indicated an intention to resign.

- 8.7.2. The Governing Council shall appoint a chair and members of the Leadership Selection Committee. The chair shall be a member of the Governing Council. The Governing Council may appoint any Party member as a member of the leadership selection committee. The chair and members of the Leadership Selection Committee shall serve until a new leader is selected.
- 8.7.3. A member of the Leadership Selection Committee may be removed only upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Governing Council.
 - 8.7.3.1. The Leadership Selection Committee shall determine the rules and procedures for the conduct of the leadership selection process, except that any dispute over the work of the Leadership Selection Committee shall be settled by the Arbitration Committee. The rules shall provide that a member may cast a ballot by post or by digital means; a minimum membership period established for eligibility to vote in the leadership election shall be set so as to permit adequate time for ballots to be sent to members and returned.
 - 8.7.3.2. The Leadership Selection Committee may make rules regarding a recount.
 - 8.7.3.3. The Leadership Selection Committee may engage an independent third-party firm to count the ballots.
 - 8.7.3.4. The election of the leader shall be by way of a direct vote of members using a single, ranked ballot, as follows:
 - 8.7.3.4.1. Each member will have one vote.
 - 8.7.3.4.2. To win the leadership, a candidate must obtain a majority of the ballots cast.
 - 8.7.3.4.3. If no more than one candidate has entered the race by a date set by the Governing Council, a vote will be conducted to confirm that candidate as leader.
 - 8.7.3.4.4. Each leadership candidate is entitled to have scrutineers present at all stages of the vote count.

9. POLICY

- 9.1. Interim Party policies and platforms shall be determined by the Leader and Governing Council with input from the Policy Committee and Party members, until such time as the Party starts holding Policy Conventions.
- 9.2. Policy Conventions shall be held every two (2) to three (3) years after a federal election. Proposed policies shall be submitted by EDAs and reviewed by the Policy Committee to ensure they are properly prioritized, appropriate and achievable.
- 9.3. Every proposed policy that is submitted shall have a mover, a seconder and the signatures of ten (10) Party members.
- 9.4. The policies of the Party shall be determined by the membership at Policy Conventions.
- 9.5. A policy resolution must receive a majority of votes cast by delegates at a Policy Convention. Every Party member shall be entitled to one vote per policy resolution.
- 9.6. Between Policy Conventions, interim policies of the Party may be determined by the Party leader in consultation with the Governing Council.
- 9.7. After every Policy Convention, the Governing Council will issue an updated document listing the Party's policies in their entirety.

10. MAVERICK PARTY FUND

- 10.1. Maverick Party Fund (MPF), a non-share capital corporation incorporated under and governed by the provisions of the Canada Corporations Act, shall be the sole fundraising arm of the Maverick Party and shall be the chief agent of the Maverick Party pursuant to the Canada Elections Act.
- 10.2. MPF shall submit quarterly financial reports and an annual audited financial statement to the Governing Council.
- 10.3. MPF shall submit the annual budget of the Maverick Party to Governing Council for consultation prior to adoption and implementation by MPF and shall consult with Governing Council prior to authorizing or implementing substantial amendments to the budget.
- 10.4. MPF shall not provide funding for activities or programs within the areas of responsibility of the Governing Council unless such activities or programs have been approved by the Governing Council.
- 10.5. EDAs and affiliated organizations shall provide such financial information to MPF as Governing Council may require.

- 10.6. Governing Council may authorize MPF to take all necessary steps to assume control and ownership of all of the assets of an EDA in such special circumstances as may be set out by By-Law, including the suspension or revocation of recognition of any EDA. Assets assumed under the provisions of this article shall be held by MPF and shall be returned to or paid out to the next duly elected board of the EDA whose recognition has been renewed. In the event that an EDA ceases to exist or does not reapply for renewal of recognition within a period of five (5) years from the assumption of the control of its assets, such assets shall become property of MPF.
- 10.7. The MPF will not be responsible for any unauthorized expenditures by any Party member. Any unauthorized financial commitments will be the responsibility of that member.
- 10.8. The Party leader shall nominate the directors of MPF subject to ratification by the Governing Council.
- 10.9. A representative of the MPF will provide a financial report to the delegates at each Party Convention and at that time be prepared to answer questions the delegates may have.
- 10.10. Directors of MPF shall be volunteers and receive no compensation for their service. They may receive reimbursement for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses as approved by the Governing Council.
- 10.11. The executive director of the Party is an employee of MPF.
- 10.12. Any decision to change the employment status of the executive director of the Party is the responsibility of MPF, subject to ratification by the Governing Council.

11. DISSOLUTION OR MERGER

- 11.1. The Party, its Governing Council, executive director, officers, candidates, MPF directors, EDAs, members and supporters will only contemplate a merger with another party this is based solely in Western Canada. The purpose is to create a vibrant political entity and field candidates, promote policies and provide "True Western Representation".
- 11.2. Should dissolution be contemplated, the Governing Council will put forward a recommendation and plan for dissolution, which must be agreed upon and determined by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the membership.

12. PARTY CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS

- 12.1. The governance, management and control of activities of the Party are vested in the members at conventions and meetings.
- 12.2. Party Convention has the responsibility and power to:
 - 12.2.1. amend the Constitution;
 - 12.2.2. amend and adopt Party policy; and,
 - 12.2.3. elect a Governing Council by secret ballot.

- 12.3. The Governing Council has the authority to convene a Party Convention planning committee to plan the next Party Convention. The planning committee determines the dates, locations, business to be transacted, and the rules and procedures for Party Conventions. The Party convention planning committee will report to the Governing Council regarding the details of the convention. The Governing Council will announce a Convention with sixty (60) days notice to the membership. Party Conventions can be held:
 - 12.3.1. in person at a physical location;
 - 12.3.2. virtually via electronic means as determined by the party convention planning committee:
 - 12.3.3. in a combination of in-person and virtually (electronic).
- 12.4. There shall be a Party Convention at least once every second calendar year, subject to a reasonable extension not exceeding twelve (12) months due to an unforeseen event such as a national emergency, health crisis, a possible federal election or conducting a leadership selection convention.
- 12.5. Every member in good standing shall be entitled to attend and vote at a Party convention. Proof of residency may be required.
- 12.6. Between Party Conventions, the governance, management and control of Party activities are vested in the Governing Council, the Party Leader, MPF, and subject to any general direction from, accountability to, and review by members at Party Conventions.
- 12.7. A Party Convention planning committee shall be formed to organize and conduct each Party Convention. This planning committee shall be composed of at least one (1) member of the Governing Council and other member volunteers.

13. PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATE

- 13.1. VP of Policy and the Policy and Governance Committee shall create and amend the rules and procedures for the selection of candidates. The rules shall provide that only a member of the Party may seek nomination as a candidate.
- 13.2. In a federal electoral district with an EDA, a candidate nomination committee from that federal electoral district shall, subject to the rules, be responsible for the administration of the candidate selection process in that federal electoral district.
- 13.3. A federal electoral district without an EDA, Governing Council may select the parliamentary candidate for that federal electoral district following consultation with members in that federal electoral district.
- 13.4. Every EDA shall provide organizational and financial support to the Party's candidate in the electoral district.
- 13.5. The Governing Council shall have the right to disallow the candidacy of any person before or after nomination by the EDA. The appeal of such a decision will be referred to the Arbitration Committee. The Governing Council has the final and binding authority regarding recommendations from the Arbitration Committee.

14. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 14.1. Except for any dispute relating to the leadership selection process, any ten (10) members of an EDA may give notice in writing to the Governing Council regarding a dispute whether the requirements of the Constitution, a By-Law or any rules and procedures are being followed by the EDA or its committees.
- 14.2. Governing Council shall appoint one or more individuals to investigate the merits of the dispute. These individuals are authorized to intervene to attempt to resolve the dispute.
- 14.3. If the members appointed by Governing Council do not intervene or are unsuccessful in resolving the dispute, Governing Council shall, in writing, refer the matter to the Arbitration Committee, along with any other matter, with the exception of the leadership selection process.

14.4. Arbitration Committee

- 14.4.1. Governing Council shall appoint the members of the Arbitration Committee for fixed terms. They are responsible for selecting the Chairperson. Members of the Arbitration Committee shall not be members of the Governing Council, and at least one (1) member shall have legal training or background.
- 14.4.2. The rules and procedures for the Arbitration Committee and its panels shall be determined by the Committee and ratified by the Governing Council.
- 14.4.3. The Arbitration Committee shall select a panel of three (3) of its members to arbitrate and decide on any dispute.
- 14.4.4. Governing Council is empowered to implement and monitor the decision of the Arbitration Committee panel.
- 14.4.5. Decisions of the Arbitration Committee are final and binding. There is no appeal or review process.

15. GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

- 15.1. Authority, Responsibility and Accountability
 - 15.1.1. Ultimate authority within the Party resides in the members.
 - 15.1.2. Governance of the Party at Party Conventions resides in the members.
 - 15.1.3. Governance of the Party between Party Conventions is delegated to the Governing Council in accordance with these Bylaws and the Constitution.
 - 15.1.4. The leader is accountable to the members, the Governing Council, the Caucus and, if also an MP, to their constituents. If the leader is also leader of the Opposition Party, he or she is also accountable to all Canadians.
 - 15.1.5. MPs are accountable to the members and their constituents.

15.2. Finances and Borrowing

- 15.2.1. Borrowing by the Party will be determined by the Governing Council and the MPF. They must be in accordance with applicable law, Party principles and the Constitution.
- 15.3. Administration

- 15.3.1. The fiscal year end of the Party is December 31.
- 15.3.2. The Governing Council with the MPF shall appoint an auditor.
- 15.3.3. Audited financial statements shall be posted on the Party website.
- 15.3.4. The Governing Council may, by majority vote approve reimbursement of expenses, and the protocols applying thereto, for members of the Governing Council and committees.

16. LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY

- 16.1. When acting within the scope of their authority, no employee, volunteer, officer, director, or member of any committee established by the Party shall be liable for any debts, actions, claims, demands, liabilities or commitments of any kind of the Party.
- 16.2. The Party and MPF shall indemnify and hold harmless each such person against any debt, action, claim, demand, liability or commitment.
- 16.3. Every EDA is encouraged to purchase not-for-profit liability insurance covering its directors, officers, agents and volunteers.

17. ENFORCEMENT AND INTERPRETATION

- 17.1. The Constitution and By-Laws are interpreted and read subject to the Canada Elections Act. Unless context dictates otherwise, the words and phrases in the Constitution have the same meaning as in the Canada Elections Act. If a conflict arises between the two or any other applicable law, the law prevails.
- 17.2. The Governing Council shall determine the rules and procedures relating to giving notice required by the Constitution and By-Laws.

18. ENTER INTO FORCE

18.1. The Constitution and By-Law Version 002 shall become effective upon the approval and ratification of the membership voting at the Party Convention on June 3, 2023.