

League of Women Voters of Virginia  
40<sup>th</sup> Convention May 22, 2021

## Report of the Resolutions Committee

The Resolutions Committee considered two proposed resolutions:

1. LWV-VA Should Consider a Virtual Option for the 2023 Convention
2. Virginia's Absentee Voters Need Access, Not Witnesses

We recommend both.

The resolution on the virtual option for the 2023 convention, submitted by Lois Page and seconded by Celeste Land, both of LWV Fairfax Area, addresses the geographical distances that limit participation of some league members in statewide meetings. Drawing on the principle of inclusion and access, it asks the planning committee for the 2023 convention to consider a virtual option so that more members can attend the convention. Criterion 3 (b) of the Policy and Procedure ("pertains to the internal administration of the League") is particularly relevant to this resolution.

The resolution on the witness signature requirement was prepared as a sample by President Deb Wake and Secretary Martha Rollins to train the Resolution Committee members in analyzing a resolution according to the Resolutions Policy and Procedure. However, committee members recognize the urgency of eliminating the witness requirement on absentee ballots in time for the November General Election. We present it to the delegates on behalf of the committee.

The committee heard comments of convention delegates on both of these resolutions in an open meeting following the workshops on Saturday afternoon. They then met in executive session to consider the conformity of the resolutions to the Policy and Procedure.

Respectfully submitted by the Members of the Resolutions Committee.

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