

2022 Charter Amendments

Proposal No. 1 – Correcting Reference to Governing Legislation

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Purpose: This Proposed Charter Amendment updates the D.C. Code citation to the current Uniform Unincorporated Nonprofit Association Act. The previous reference is outdated.

Affected Sections: Article One, paragraph 2

Resolution Text:

WHEREAS the Charter refers to Democrats Abroad as a non-profit association organized and operating under the Uniform Unincorporated Nonprofit Association Act of 2000, D.C. Code §§ 29-971.01, et seq.;

WHEREAS that legislation has been replaced by the Uniform Unincorporated Nonprofit Association Act of 2010, D.C. Code §§ 29-1101, et seq.; and

WHEREAS Democrats Abroad is now a non-profit association organized and operating under the Uniform Unincorporated Nonprofit Association Act of 2010, D.C. Code §§ 29-1101, et seq.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED to amend the Charter as follows:

Article One: Name; Purpose

Democrats Abroad is the organization that represents all United States citizens residing outside the U.S. who wish to adhere to the principles and further the aims of the Democratic Party of the United States of America. The organization is recognized by the Democratic National Committee ("DNC") as the equivalent of a U.S. State Party.

Democrats Abroad is a non-profit association organized and operating under the Uniform Unincorporated Nonprofit Association Act of ~~2010~~ 2000, D.C. Code §§ ~~29-971.01~~ 29-1101, et seq. Democrats Abroad's principal place of business is and will remain the District of Columbia.

For administrative purposes, Democrats Abroad is divided into Country Committees, Transnational Committees, and Regions comprised of the members from within each such geographic area. Hereinafter, any reference to a "Country Committee" shall similarly apply to a Transnational Committee as defined in Article Five, Sections 5.1 and 5.11.

General membership in Democrats Abroad is open to all citizens of the United States of voting age (or who will be such before the next Federal election) living outside the U.S. who by joining declare their support for the principles and aims of the Democratic Party of the United States of America. Membership is free, voluntary, and can be canceled by the member at any time for any reason.

Neither Democrats Abroad nor any of its constituent units may participate in the political activities of any country other than the United States of America.