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3 Recognizing Resignation of Members of and Donors to Other Political Parties
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5 *This amendment is unanimously recommended by the Party Plan Committee to the SCC for*
6 *adoption.*

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8 Amend Article VII, Section C. Delegates, by adding language to item (d):
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10 **Removal**

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12 Any Chairman, except the State Chairman, or any other member of an Official
13 Committee may be removed from office by the vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the
14 other members of the Committee, after being furnished with notice that such
15 removal will be sought, with the charges, in writing, signed by not less than
16 one-third (1/3) of the members of the Committee; and allowing him thirty (30)
17 days within which to appear and defend himself.

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19 The State Chairman may be removed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of a State
20 Convention or by the three-fourths (3/4) vote of the State Central Committee,
21 the action of said Convention or Committee being subject to the foregoing as to
22 notice and opportunity for defense.

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24 A member of an Official Committee is held to a higher standard of support for
25 nominees of the Republican Party than an individual who merely participates in
26 a mass meeting, party canvass, convention or primary. Therefore, a member of
27 an Official Committee is deemed to have resigned his Committee position if he
28 (a) makes a reportable contribution to and/or (b) knowingly allows his name to
29 be publicly used by and/or (c) makes a written or other public statement
30 supporting the election of a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee in
31 a Virginia General or Special Election, and/or (d) becomes **a member or** an
32 officer of **or makes a reportable contribution to** any other political party. A
33 majority of the elected officers of an official committee are charged with
34 recognizing when this provision is in effect. For members of multiple official
35 committees, such recognition by a given official committee applies to all
36 subordinate official committees. Such member may be re-instated by a majority
37 vote of the other members of the Committee.

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39 For the purposes of this section, “allows” shall mean that a member has either
40 (i) affirmatively given permission for his name to be publicly used, or (ii)
41 refused to publicly disavow the use of his name upon receiving notification by
42 an official committee chairman that it is being used.

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45 EXPLANATION: This amendment closes a loophole in the current language. It
46 adds to the list of those behaviors which trigger automatic removal from an
47 official committee two items: joining a political party other than the Republican
48 party and making a reportable donation to a political party other than the
49 Republican party.