**Proposal B**

**Date Heard:**

**Vote:**

**Amendment to Bylaws Article 4.4(a)**

**Problem:** Sustaining membership dues have not increased since at least 2006. There has been significant inflation since 2006, meaning that the LNC now receives less resources in real terms from membership dues.

**Solution:** Increase sustaining membership dues from $25 to $50 annually.

**Benefits:** This would better align membership dues in real terms to the last time they were updated.

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| **Current Wording** | **Proposed Amendment** | **If Adopted, Will Read** |
| **ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP**   1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals. 2. The National Committee may offer life memberships and must honor all prior and future life memberships. 3. The National Committee may create other levels of membership and shall determine the contribution or dues levels for such memberships. 4. "Sustaining members" are members of the Party who:    1. During the prior 12 months have donated, or have had donated on their behalf, an amount of at least $25; or | **ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP**   1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals. 2. The National Committee may offer life memberships and must honor all prior and future life memberships. 3. The National Committee may create other levels of membership and shall determine the contribution or dues levels for such memberships. 4. "Sustaining members" are members of the Party who: 5. During the prior 12 months have donated, or have had donated on their behalf, an amount of at least $**~~25~~50**; or   Are Life members. | **ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP**   1. Members of the Party shall be those persons who have certified in writing that they oppose the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals. 2. The National Committee may offer life memberships and must honor all prior and future life memberships. 3. The National Committee may create other levels of membership and shall determine the contribution or dues levels for such memberships. 4. "Sustaining members" are members of the Party who: 5. During the prior 12 months have donated, or have had donated on their behalf, an amount of at least $50; or   Are Life members. |
| ***Proviso:*** *For current sustaining members only, this shall go into effect when current memberships lapse.* | | |

**SPONSOR:** Bracco

**MARK-UP LEGEND**

* In replacements, deletions precede additions.
* Deletions are in ***~~red bold italic strikethrough~~***.
* Additions are in **blue bold underline**.
* Per LPUS Bylaws, Article XVII, Section 1, the bylaws require a 2/3 vote to pass.
* Per RONR t8 #13, the convention special rules of order require a 2/3 vote with notice or a majority of the entire convention membership