## **Proposal C SUBSTITUTE – Definition of membership**

## **ARTICLE 4 MEMBERSHIP**

**Problem:** At times, it has been alleged that the word "member" has been used loosely to describe a non-Pledge signer.

**Solution:** Make the Bylaw on this issue even stronger.

Benefits: Allows no confusion that the signing of the Pledge is absolutely required to be called a national Party Member.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
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**SPONSORS:** Harlos

## **MARK-UP LEGEND**

- o In replacements, deletions precede additions.
- Deletions are in red bold italic strikethrough.
- Additions are in <u>blue bold underline</u>.
- o Per LPUS Bylaws, Article XVII, Section 1, the bylaws require a 2/3 vote to pass.
- o 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