Proposal # Date Heard: Vote:

## **Article 10: Conventions**

**Problem:** Pandemics, wars, meteor strikes, tornados, and earthquakes might prevent us from having an in-person convention.

**Solution:** This makes it clear that in extraordinary circumstances, it's not against the rules to have an online convention.

**Benefits:** Maybe this is already settled, but I feel like we dodged a bullet in 2020. Why not make it clear that it's legal under our own rules to do this, and make clear the threshold? I don't think that this makes online conventions the norm.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
New Section	11. In the event that	11. In the event that
	extraordinary circumstances	extraordinary circumstances
	affect the ability to hold a	affect the ability to hold a Regular
	Regular Convention or cause	Convention or cause unusual
	unusual barriers to attendance,	barriers to attendance, the
	the National Committee may	National Committee may
	authorize an online location	authorize an online location
	and/or remote participation at a	and/or remote participation at a
	Regular Convention by a two-	Regular Convention by a two-
	thirds vote.	thirds vote.

I know that this was voted down at an earlier convention, and I won't get bent out of shape if we don't pass this out of committee or if the delegates vote it down. But with the passage of time and the cooling of tempers, I'd like to float this again.

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## MARK-UP LEGEND

- o In replacements, deletions precede additions.
- o Deletions are in red bold italic strikethrough.
- Additions are in <u>blue bold underline</u>.
  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