#### WICHITA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC ASSOCIATION

### Constitution

#### **ARTICLE I- Name**

This organization shall be known as the Wichita County Democratic Association (the "Association").

# **ARTICLE II- Purposes**

The purposes of the Association shall be:

- A. To unite all Democratic people in this area into an effective force, and to maintain a means by which Democrats of Wichita County may increasingly know and understand the purposes and programs of the Democratic Party.
- B. To promote the general welfare of the Democratic Party by increasing the knowledge of, and encouraging the active participation of, the Democrats of Wichita County in the affairs of the Party.
- C. To actively support the nominees of the Democratic Party in national, state, and local elections, and to conduct an aggressive county-wide campaign in support of the nominees and the platform of the Party.
- D. To refrain from endorsing or supporting the candidacy of a person for public office prior to the nomination by the Democratic Party and to refrain from giving in any manner its influence as an Association to the cause of any candidacy or faction of the Party in any intraparty controversies.
- E. To cooperate with any state, national, or other organizations affiliated with the Democratic Party to promote goals and objectives of the Party.

# **ARTICLE III- Membership**

Section 1. Any person who is a Democrat is eligible for membership and voting privileges as provided in the bylaws.

Section 2. Members can only be removed from the Association by vote of the membership at a regular or special called meeting, after due notice, with rights of appearance and due process.

### **ARTICLE IV- Officers**

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall consist of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer and such others specified in the bylaws as may be necessary. A Parliamentarian and Historian may be appointed by the President.

Section 2. The duties of the officers shall be set forth in the bylaws.

Section 3. The officers shall be elected biennially and seated in January of odd numbered years after election by a majority vote of the members present and voting as specified in the bylaws, and shall hold office until their successors have been seated

#### **ARTICLE V- Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Association and the chairperson of the Democratic Party for Wichita County.

# **ARTICLE VI- Meetings**

Section 1. Meetings of the Association's membership shall be held on a regular basis as provided in the bylaws.

Section 2. Special meetings of the Association's membership may be called at a time, place, and in the manner set forth in the bylaws.

Section 3. Meetings of the Executive Committee may be called at the time, place, and in the manner set forth in the bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VII- Amendment of the Constitution**

Section 1. All proposed amendment(s) shall be submitted in writing and signed by two (2) members of the Association, by the Executive Committee, or by a special committee appointed for that purpose.

Section 2. The proposed amendment(s) must be presented at a meeting of the Association or provided to the membership by the Executive Committee not less than thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which the amendment(s) are to be considered.

Section 3. The Constitution may be amended at a regular meeting of the Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those members present and voting.

### **ARTICLE VIII- Dues**

A modest membership fee may be charged as provided in the bylaws.

## **ARTICLE IX- Bylaws**

The Association may adopt and/or amend such bylaws as it shall deem necessary. Bylaws shall be adopted when approved by a majority vote of the membership in good standing present at a regular meeting or at a special meeting called for the purpose of adopting the bylaws.

This will certify that the Constitution of the Wichita County Democratic Association was duly amended and restated as set forth above on August 18, 2016, by a properly convened meeting of the membership of the Association, having been duly approved by two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting.

President	
Vice-President	
Secretary	
Treasurer	
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