

# MULTIPLE DISTRICT 13 OHIO LIONS, INC.

## CONSTITUTION

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OF  
**MULTIPLE DISTRICT 13**  
**OHIO LIONS, INC.**

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# CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I

### NAME

The name of this organization duly recognized by the International Association of Lions Clubs and constituted under their authority as “Multiple District 13 – Ohio International Association of Lions Clubs,” comprising the territory within the State of Ohio shall be the “Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc.”

## ARTICLE II

### OBJECTS

- Section 1.** The Objects of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc.
- A. To provide an administrative structure with which to advance the purpose and objects of the International Association of Lions Clubs in this Multiple District.
  - B. To encourage, promote and assist in the organization of Lions Clubs in all eligible cities, towns, villages and communities in the State of Ohio.
  - C. To coordinate, standardize and direct the activities, other than local activities, of all affiliating Lions Clubs within the State of Ohio.
  - D. To unite the membership of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. into a closer bond of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding, that they may assist each other.
  - E. To promote the welfare of the Lions Clubs of the State of Ohio, with particular reference to the following:
    - (1) Relationship with Lions International Headquarters, its Officers and Directors.
    - (2) State and District spirit, insignia, uniforms, and delegations to International and District Conventions.
    - (3) Relationship with the Governors and Officers of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc.
    - (4) Encouragement of Regional Meetings and Inter-Club Meetings and Activities.
    - (5) Provide ways and means for the activities of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions Inc.
    - (6) To otherwise promote the general welfare of the International Association of Lions Clubs, and of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc., and to carry out the ideals and principles of Lionism.
  - F. To further the charitable objects of the Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation, Inc.
  - G. To further the charitable objects of the Ohio Lions Foundation, Inc.

## ARTICLE III

### MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1.** Membership
- The membership of this organization shall be all Lions Clubs in this Multiple District chartered by Lions International.

## ARTICLE IV

### STATE ORGANIZATION

- Section 1.** Number of Districts
- For the purpose of administration, Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc., shall be divided into ten districts: designated as District 13A, District 13B, District 13C, District 13D, District 13E, District 13F, District 13G, District 13H, District 13J and District 13K. [The boundaries are described in Appendix A.] Each Sub-District comprising Multiple District 13 shall be divided into two Regions by the District Governor in concurrence with the District’s Cabinet.

- Section 2.** Procedure for Redistricting & Convention Approval

Any Single District which desires to become a Multiple District and any Multiple District which desires to add one or more Sub-Districts thereto or to otherwise change or redistrict any one or more existing Sub-Districts in any way shall submit to the International Board of Directors a redistricting proposal approved by a convention of the respective Single or Multiple District, and in case of a Multiple District redistricting proposal, approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the conventions of the Sub-Districts comprising the Multiple District, together with a map showing the boundary lines for all proposed Sub-Districts and a list showing the Lions Clubs which shall comprise each proposed Sub-District.

**Section 3.** Procedure Requirements

No such redistricting proposal shall be considered by the International Board of Directors unless each proposed Sub-District shall contain at least thirty-five (35) Lions Clubs with a total membership of no less than one thousand two hundred fifty (1250) members in good standing. In considering approval of any redistricting proposal, the International Board of Directors may give weight to any factors it deems proper and may require such additional number of Clubs and/or Members per Sub-District as it deems proper.

**Section 4.** Procedure Approval

In the event the International Board of Directors approves such redistricting proposal, it shall become effective at the close of the annual International Convention which next follows the date of such Board approval; provided, however, that delegates from Clubs which will comprise the respective new Sub-District shall elect a District Governor and may adopt a Constitution and By-Laws at a meeting held in conjunction with the Convention, held after said Board approval and prior to said International Convention, of the Sub-District or Multiple District being redistricted. If an existing Sub-District is substantially realigned, the Delegates of the Clubs, which comprise said Sub-District, may elect a District Governor at a meeting of the registered Delegates of the Sub-District in attendance at the annual Convention of the Multiple District.

**Section 5.** Procedure for Transferring Clubs

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Club may transfer from one District to an adjacent District and boundaries changed accordingly without the necessity of following the formal redistricting procedures if such transfer does not substantially change the existing District boundaries; provided, that it obtains the approval of a majority of the members of the Club, approval of the current District Governor of the respective adjacent Districts, and approval of the District Governors Cabinets of the respective adjacent Districts and approval of the International Board of Directors. Such club transfer shall become effective immediately upon Board approval.

**Section 6.** Procedure Following Re-Districting

A map showing boundary lines for all newly formed Districts, whether formed within the boundaries of an existing District or by the changing of the boundaries of several Districts, shall be submitted to the International Board of Directors within 30 days after final action taken to establish any such new District. In the event the International Board of Directors approves the proposal submitted, the division of the District will become effective for the election of District Governors at the next annual Convention of the State or the District; said District Governors so elected to assume the duties of their office at the close of the next annual International Convention, or as otherwise provided in the event the International Board of Directors may in extraordinary circumstances advance the effective date of such division.

**Section 7.** Governing Documents

The Constitution, By-Laws and prescribed Policy Manual of Multiple District 13 - Ohio Lions, Inc. shall govern all Conventions and other meetings of the Multiple District and Sub-Districts.

## **ARTICLE V.**

### **STATE COUNCIL**

**Section 1.** Council of Governors

There shall be a Council of Governors composed of all District Governors in the Multiple District. The 1st Vice Governors and 2nd Vice Governors shall be present at all Council meetings in an advisory capacity and may represent the district in the absence of his/her District Governor in order of rank.

**Section 2.** Election and Eligibility of Council Chairman, Vice Chairman and Chaplain

The District Governors-Elect (following their election to the post of District Governor) shall select one member from the current Council of Governors, who shall serve as Chairman of the Council of Governors, and an ex-officio member of all State Committees for the ensuing year. In the case of a tie, the Council Chairman shall have one vote on each question requiring action of Council. He/she shall serve one (1) year with no right of succession and prepare and present to the Council of Governors, in cooperation with the Multiple District Secretary, an agenda prior to each council meeting. The District Governors-Elect shall elect one (1) member from the current District Governors-Elect as Vice Chairman, to serve in the absence or incapacity of the Council Chairman. The District Governors-Elect shall elect one (1) member from the current District Governors-Elect as Council Chaplain.

**Section 3.** Appointment of Multiple District Secretary and Multiple District Treasurer and Site of State Office  
There shall be a position with the title of Multiple District Secretary and a position with the title of Multiple District Treasurer, appointed by the Council of Governors, who shall be recognized as the State Association Administrator, as defined, directed and implied in this Constitution, attached By-Laws and prescribed Policy Manual.

**Section 4.** Meetings of State Council  
The Council shall hold a regular meeting within sixty (60) days after the date on which the District Governor officially takes office, and such other meetings as a simple majority of those on the State Council deem advisable. The Council Chairman, or the Multiple District Secretary at the Chairman's direction, shall issue a written call for each meeting of the Council, with the time and place thereof to be set out in the call and to be determined by the Chairman. The Council shall determine the date of any meeting save the first, which shall be set by the Chairman.

**Section 5.** Quorum of State Council  
The personal presence of a majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum at any meeting thereof.

## ARTICLE VI

### STATE REVENUE

**Section 1.** Amount, Division and Billing of State per Capita Tax  
An annual per capita tax equal to the sum of the accounts to be distributed under Section 3 of this Article VI shall be levied upon each active member, affiliated member, honorary member and member-at-large of each club in the State Organization, each Club to be billed semi-annually on July 1, based upon membership as of May 31; and January 1, based upon membership as of November 30; dues payable in advance and delinquent thirty (30) days after billing.

**Section 2.** Procedure for Collection  
This tax shall be collected from the Clubs in each District of the State, by the respective Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer, and he/she shall place the money so collected in a special account to be forwarded to the State Office after receipt of per capita tax billing from the Multiple District Treasurer.

**Section 3.** State Revenue and Funds  
The revenue received under Section 1 and 2 of Article VI shall be distributed as follows;

A. State Council Fund:	One dollar and thirty-five cents (\$1.35) of the annual per capita tax.
B. State Office Operation Fund:	Five dollars and seventy cents (\$5.70) of the annual per capita tax.
C. International Convention Fund:	Fifty-two cents (\$ .52) of the annual per capita tax.
D. Promotional Fund:	One dollar and thirty-one cents (\$ 1.31) of the annual per capita tax.
E. Restricted Fund:	Twenty-eight cents (\$ .28) of the annual per capita tax.
F. District Funds:	[Refer to Article VIII Section 1.]

**Section 4.** Per Capita Tax Distribution

- The State Council Fund and the International Convention Fund shall be forwarded to the Multiple District Treasurer, and shall be distributed according to the provisions established in the Constitution and By-Laws.
- The International Convention Fund shall be used by the International Convention Committee for suitable facilities and events for Ohio Delegates, and for the promotion of Ohio.
- The State Council Fund shall be disbursed by order of the State Council in accordance with rules and regulations as they may provide.
- The Restricted Fund shall be used only for special purposes pertinent to the furtherance of an Ohio Lion's candidate for International Office, such as campaign expenses or Ohio Night when we have an International President. The Restricted Fund shall be forwarded to the Multiple District Treasurer and disbursements shall be made from this

fund only upon majority recommendation of the Finance and Planning Advisory Committee and approval of the Council of Governors.

- E. The Ohio Lions Promotional Fund shall be used for the furtherance of Ohio Lionism, and disbursements shall be made from this fund only upon recommendation of the Finance and Planning Advisory Committee and approval of the Council of Governors.
- F. The Ohio Lions State Office Operations Fund shall be used to provide the facilities, operation and expense incident to maintenance of an Ohio Lions State Office.

**Section 5.** Control of Additional Funds

Any Committee or Board of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. duly established in accordance with this Constitution, is authorized to receive additional funds by way of voluntary contributions and/or fund raising activities specifically approved by the Council of Governors. Any and all funds raised shall be handled and disbursed strictly in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, By-Laws and Policy Manual applicable to each Committee or Board.

**Section 6.** Bond of Multiple District Secretary, Multiple District Treasurer and Office Staff

The Multiple District Secretary, Multiple District Treasurer and Office Staff shall be bonded in sufficient sum at all times to cover the amount to be expendable. Surety and Performance Bonds shall be made at the direction of the Council of Governors.

**Section 7.** State Office Financial Review and Audit(s)

The Council of Governors shall provide for an annual or more frequent audit and/or financial review of the books and accounts of all funds handled by the Multiple District Treasurer provided that a full audit is conducted not less than every 5<sup>th</sup> year beginning with the 2002-2003 audit. It shall be the responsibility of the Chairman of the Council of Governors and the Multiple District Secretary to place the issue of the annual audit and/or financial review on the agenda for the first meeting of the Council of Governors in each fiscal year, which issue shall include a recommendation for an authorization to hire a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) to conduct the audit and/or financial review and report findings to the incoming Council of Governors no later than its second regular meeting of the fiscal year. The selection of the independent CPA shall be made by a committee comprised of the Council Chairman, Multiple District Secretary, Multiple District Treasurer and Governor selected by the ten (10) incumbent Governors.

To help ensure that internal controls are maintained to enable accurate financial reporting, help safeguard assets and work with external auditors to implement recommendations for improvement to financial operations of the Ohio Lions, an internal review of the Ohio Lions State Office financial operations shall be conducted by the Financial Oversight Review Committee no less than twice each fiscal year with the results to be reported to the Council of Governors.

**Section 8.** Audit Upon Change of MDST

In the event of the termination or resignation of the MDST, the Council of Governors shall provide for a full audit in accordance with Section 6, Article 7 in the current or subsequent fiscal year.

**Section 9.** Availability of Auditor’s Report and Financial Statements

A condensed financial report shall be made available to all Lions Clubs in Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc., upon request.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **DISTRICT ORGANIZATION**

**Section 1.** District Cabinet

Each Sub-District shall have a District Governor’s Cabinet composed of the District Governor, as Chairman, the Immediate Past District Governor, 1st Vice Governor, 2nd Vice Governor, and the following who shall be elected or appointed under procedures provided in the respective Single, or Multiple District Constitution: the Region Chairman, the Zone Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer and such other Club Members as may be provided for in the respective Single, or Multiple District Constitution and By-Laws. PROVIDED:

Each respective District Governor shall have the authority to determine whether the position of Region Chairman will be utilized during his/her term. If not so utilized, the position of Region Chairman shall remain vacant during said District Governor’s term.

Each Sub-District shall provide in its District Constitution and By-Laws for the elected office of 1st Vice Governor, duties of the said office to be established by the International Board of Directors. A Club member may be elected or appointed as a Region Chairman. A club member shall be elected or appointed as a Zone Chairman for the Zone in which his/her Club is located.

**Section 2.** Meeting and Quorum of District Cabinet

The District Cabinet shall meet at such times and place as may be fixed by the District Governor, and the personal presence of a majority of the members of the Cabinet shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.

**Section 3.** Division of District into Regions and Zones

For the purpose of efficiency, economy and stimulation of action, each District shall be divided by its District Governor into Regions and each Regions into Zones of no less than three (3) Clubs, due regard being given to geographical locations of the Clubs, which divisions shall be subject to change by the District Governor as may be deemed advisable for the best interest of Lionism and the individual Clubs.

**Section 4.** Terms of the District Governor, 1st Vice Governor and 2nd Vice Governor

The term of the District Governor, 1st Vice Governor and 2nd Vice Governor shall begin with the adjournment of the International Convention next succeeding their election. The term of the District Governor, 1st Vice Governor and 2nd Vice Governor shall end with the adjournment of the International Convention next succeeding the election of their successor.

**Section 5.** District Governor's Qualifications

A candidate for the office of District Governor shall:

- A. Be an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions Club in good standing in his/her Sub-District.
- B. Secure the endorsement of his/her Club or a majority of the Clubs in his/her Sub-District.
- C. Currently be serving as the 1st Vice Governor within the District from which he/she is to be elected.
- D. Only in the event the current 1st Vice Governor does not stand for election as District Governor, or if a vacancy in the position of 1st Vice Governor exists at the time of the District Convention; any Club member who fulfills the qualifications for the office of 1st Vice Governor as set forth in Article VII, Section 9 (a)(2) of the International Constitution, and who is currently serving or who has served one (1) additional year as a member of the District Cabinet, shall fulfill the requirements of Subsection (c) of this Section.

**Section 6.** 1st Vice Governor's Qualifications

A candidate for the office of 1st Vice Governor shall:

- A. Be an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions Club in good standing in his/her Sub-District.
- B. Secure the endorsement of his/her Club or a major portion of the Clubs in his/her Sub-District.
- C. Have served or will have served at the time he/she takes office as 1st Vice Governor:
  - 1. As president of a Lions Club for a full term or major portion thereof, and a member of the Board of Directors of a Lions Club for no less than two (2) additional years; and
  - 2. As Zone Chairman or Region Chairman or Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer for a full term or major portion thereof.
- D. With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

**Section 7.** 2nd Vice Governor's Qualifications

A candidate for the office of 2nd Vice Governor shall:

- A. Be an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions Club in good standing in his/her Sub-District.
- B. Secure the endorsement of his/her Club or a major portion of the Clubs in his/her Sub-District.
- C. Have served or will have served at the time he/she takes office as 2nd Vice Governor:
  - 1. As president of a Lions Club for a full term or major portion thereof, and a member of the Board of Directors of a Lions Club for no less than two (2) additional years; and
  - 2. As Zone Chairman or Region Chairman or Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer for a full term or a major portion thereof, and one (1) additional year as a member of the District Cabinet.
- D. With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

**Section 8.** District Governor's Advisory and Honorary Committees

There may be an Advisory and/or Honorary Committee, whose membership shall be selected by the District Governor.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **DISTRICT REVENUE**

**Section 1.** District Administration Fund

To provide revenue to defray the administrative expenses of each District, an annual per capita district fund tax of one dollar and eighty-four cents (\$1.84) shall be levied upon members in the District in payments as specified in ARTICLE VI, Section 1. An additional tax for each District in the amount determined by its current District Governor and his/her Cabinet, and approved by the voting delegates at their respective District Convention, shall also be levied upon each member within that District at the same time as specified in ARTICLE VI, Section 1. These said taxes shall be collected from each Club, by the Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer of the District, of which the Club is a member.

**Section 2.** Payment by new clubs

Newly organized Clubs shall start paying tax at the beginning of the next quarter following the date of organization of the New Club. (Date of organization begins the date the first president is elected).

**Section 3.** Disbursement of District Funds

Said per capita tax and other levied tax(s) in each District shall become and remain a fund of said District and shall be distributed only for such administrative expenses of the District as are approved by the District Governor's Cabinet. Payments shall be by checks and signed by the District Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer and countersigned by the District Governor.

**Section 4.** Bond of District Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasure

Each District Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer shall be bonded by Ohio Lions, Inc. in such amount as shall be approved by the Council of Governors at the first Council meeting.

**Section 5.** District Audit(s)

Each District Governor's Cabinet shall provide for annual or more frequent audit of the books and accounts of the Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer, and a statement of the financial condition of the District, shall be sent to Lions Clubs International. Each Club at the close of the fiscal year shall receive a copy, upon request, from the Cabinet then in office.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **STATE CONVENTION**

**Section 1.** Date and Place of Convention

A Convention of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. shall be held on the third full weekend starting Friday, Saturday and Sunday, in May of each year. It is to be rotated between Columbus, Cleveland, Akron, Cincinnati, Dayton, Toledo, or any other appropriate, adequate location. Arrangements are to be made by the Multiple District Secretary five years in advance and approved by the sitting Council of Governors.

**Section 2.** Procedures for Convention

The current Council of Governors shall confirm final planning proposals for each State Convention with appropriate Convention Officials of the host facility and Multiple District Secretary for the concurrence and acceptance. Emergency measures of a serious nature necessitating change in the prescribed schedule or site selection shall be made by majority vote of the Council of Governors.

**Section 3.** Official Call

The Council of Governors shall issue, and cause to be mailed to the Secretary of each chartered Club, an official call to the annual State Convention at least sixty (60) days prior to the opening thereof.

**Section 4.** Management of Convention

The Council of Governors shall be the Officers of the annual State Convention, and the management of the State Convention shall be in their hands.

- A. The Sergeants at Arms shall be the 2nd Vice Governors with their Chairman appointed by the Council of Governors.
- B. Sergeant at Arms, shall be responsible for the proper maintenance of order and decorum at the State Convention, and shall perform such duties as are incident to that office, or as directed by the Council of Governors presiding.

**Section 5.** Number of Delegates and Alternates

Each chartered Club in good standing on the first day of any convention of Multiple District 13- Ohio Lions, Inc. shall be entitled to one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate for every ten (10) of its members, or a major fraction thereof, five (5) being considered a major fraction. Membership shall be shown by records of the International Association Office as of the first day of the month last proceeding the month during which the convention is held. Selection of each Delegate or Alternate shall be evidenced by certificate signed by the President or Secretary of each Club.

**Section 6.** Clubs Not in Good Standing

No Club shall be considered in good standing if, at the time of the annual State Convention, it has failed to make payments of all indebtedness to the International Association, and to the State Organization. Delinquent dues may be paid and good standing acquired at any time prior to the close of credentials certification, at such closing time as established by the rules of the respective Convention.

**Section 7.** Privileged Delegates

All Past District Governors of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc., who, on the date of any Convention of the Organization are members in good standing of any Club belonging to Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc., shall be considered a Delegate-At-Large, irrespective and exclusive of any Delegate quota of their club. Nothing herein shall be construed to allow any person more than one (1) vote upon occasion or in connection with any question before the Convention of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc.

**Section 8.** Credentials Committee

The Council of Governors shall appoint a committee on Credentials composed of one Lion from each District, the Chairman of which shall be elected by the members of the committee. To this committee shall be referred all questions, and credentials of Delegates or Alternates by the District Secretary and/or Treasurer. The Committee shall have ready at all times an accurate record of the number, and identity of Delegates and Alternates present at the annual State Convention and make a final report to the Convention immediately before the election of officers. They shall endeavor to make decisions upon questions, arising in regards to credentials, and failing to arrive at an agreement, shall submit the same to the Convention without unnecessary delay, in which event the members of the Club whose representatives are in question shall have the right to be heard, but shall have no vote in the decision of the Convention which shall be considered final.

**Section 9.** Voting by Delegates

Only registered Delegates with certified credentials, and present, shall be entitled to vote, and each Delegate may cast one (1) vote at each election and on every question submitted to the Convention.

**Section 10.** Quorum at State Convention

A majority of registered Delegates with certified credentials, present at any meeting, shall be a quorum.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **INTERNATIONAL CANDIDATE**

**Section 1.** Procedure for Endorsement and Qualifications

It shall be the responsibility of the Council of Governors, by their October meeting, to establish whether or not Ohio will have, at the next following Lions Year State Convention, a selected candidate for an International Office, for election at the International Convention in the first or second complete fiscal year following said State Convention.

**Section 2.** A Candidate for the office of International Second Vice President shall:

- A. Be an active Member in good standing of a Lions Club in good standing; and
- B. Have completed or be completing his/her term, by election or appointment, as International Director; and
- C. Secure the endorsements by vote of a convention, of his/her District (both Sub and Multiple) in accordance with Article IX of the Constitution; and secure the certification of said endorsement in accordance with the International Constitution and By-Laws.

**Section 3.** A Candidate for the office of International Director shall:

- A. Be an Active Member in good standing of a Lions Club in good standing; and
- B. Either:
  - 1. Have completed or be completing a full term or major portion thereof as District Governor, of a full District of this Association; OR
  - 2. Have completed a full term or majority thereof as District Governor or Provisional District Governor of a Provisional District which (1) attained, in said term, or later twenty (20) Clubs in good standing or full District status OR (2) has been a Provisional District for no less than ten (10) years; and
- C. Secure the endorsements by vote of a convention, of his/her District (both Sub and Multiple) in accordance with Article IX of the Constitution; and secure the certification of said endorsement in accordance with the International Constitution and By-Laws.
- D. Any elected Director, having served as a Director for a full two (2) year term, shall be ineligible to succeed himself/herself.

**Section 4.** Announcing Intention to Run

Except for procedures, which concern the time and manner of announcing intention to run for any International Offices and the vote required for candidacy endorsement, which maybe determined by the respective Single or Multiple District Constitution and By-Laws, no qualifications in addition to those set forth in this constitution may be required of any candidate for any International Office. Such procedures may not contain requirements, which cannot be fully met in each Association year.

## ARTICLE XI

### AMENDMENTS

**Section 1.** Procedure for Amendment

This Constitution can be amended only at a regular State Convention of Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. Any proposed amendment must first be presented to the Constitution & By-Laws Committee at least ninety (90) day’s prior to the Convention. Said amendment shall be in writing and shall be duly signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Council of Governors, or the presiding Officer or Secretary on behalf of a District Cabinet, or a State Committee, or a Lions Club in good standing with Lions International and its District. The Committee shall then cause written notice of the proposed changes, without recommendations thereon, to be given to the Secretary of record of each Club, not less than thirty (30) days prior to the Multiple District 13 Convention.

**Section 2.** Procedure for Proposing Amendments

The Constitution and By-Laws Committee shall then present the proposed amendment to the delegation at the Multiple District 13 Convention, and if adopted, it shall be by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the registered Delegates, present and voting. Each proposed amendment shall be voted separately.

## ARTICLE XII

### ADOPTION

**Section 1.** Adoption

This Constitution shall be, and become, in full force and effect, at the beginning of the fiscal year immediately following its adoption by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the accredited Delegates present and voting at the annual State Convention, unless other wise specified in the proposed amendment.

## **APPENDIX A**

### **DISTRICT BOUNDARIES**

The Sub-Districts comprising Multiple District 13 – Ohio Lions, Inc. shall be divided as follows:

District 13A (11) counties:

Williams, Fulton, Lucas, Defiance, Henry, Wood, Paulding, Putman, Hancock, Van Wert and Allen.

District 13B (10) counties:

Ottawa, Sandusky, Erie, Lorain, Seneca, Huron, Wyandot, Crawford, Richland and Ashland.

District 13C (6) counties:

Lake, Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Medina and Summit.

District 13D (5) counties:

Trumbull, Portage, Mahoning, Stark and Columbiana.

District 13E (10) counties:

Mercer, Auglaize, Hardin, Shelby, Logan, Union, Darke, Miami, Champaign and Clark.

District 13F (5) counties:

Marion, Morrow, Delaware, Franklin and Madison.

District 13G (9) counties:

Wayne, Holmes, Coshocton, Tuscarawas, Carroll, Jefferson, Harrison, Guernsey and Belmont.

District 13H (6) counties:

Preble, Butler, Hamilton, Montgomery, Warren and Clermont.

District 13J (14) counties:

Greene, Fayette, Clinton, Highland, Brown, Adams, Pickaway, Ross, Pike, Vinton, Jackson, Scioto, Gallia and Lawrence.

District 13K (12) counties:

Knox, Licking, Fairfield, Hocking, Muskingum, Perry, Morgan, Noble, Monroe, Washing Athens and Meigs.