

Michigan Delegate Selection Plan

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Section 1

Introduction & Description of Delegate Selection Process

A. Introduction

1. Michigan has a total of **139 delegates** and **10 alternates**. (DNC Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention I & Appendix B)
2. The delegate selection process is governed by the *Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States*, the *Delegate Selection Rules for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Rules”), the *Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Call”), the *Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Regs.”), the *Rules of the Michigan Democratic Party*, the *Michigan Democratic Party’s Rules for Voting & Elections*, the Michigan election code, and this Delegate Selection Plan. (Call II.A)
3. Following the adoption of this Delegate Selection Plan by the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee, it shall be submitted for review and approval by the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee (“RBC”). The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall be empowered to make any technical revisions to this document as required by the RBC to correct any omissions and/or deficiencies as found by the RBC to ensure its full compliance with Party Rules. Such corrections shall be made by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party and the Plan resubmitted to the RBC within 30 days of receipt of notice of the RBC’s findings. (Reg. 2.5, Reg. 2.6 & Reg. 2.7)
4. Once this Plan has been found in Compliance by the RBC, any amendment to the Plan by the Michigan Democratic Party must be submitted to and approved by the RBC before it becomes effective. (Reg. 2.9)

B. Description of Delegate Selection Process

1. Michigan will use a proportional representation system based on the results of a **government-run Presidential Primary** for apportioning delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention.
2. The “first determining step” of Michigan’s delegate selection process will occur on **Tuesday, February 27, 2024** with a government-run Presidential Primary. This will be held in conjunction with the Michigan GOP Presidential Primary.

C. Voter Participation

1. Participation in Michigan’s delegate selection process is open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats. (Rule 2.A and Rule 2.C.)
 - a. To register to vote and cast a ballot in Michigan you must be:
 - i. A resident of Michigan and the city or township where you are registering for at least 30 days prior to Election Day;
 - ii. A citizen of the United States of America;
 - iii. At least 17.5 years of age at the time of registration and 18 years of age by Election Day;
 - iv. Not serving a sentence in jail or in prison.
 - b. Eligible persons may register by mail by submitting an application that is postmarked at least 15 days before Election Day. Voter registration is also available online provided that the application is received at least 15 days before Election Day. Eligible persons may register in person at their city or township clerk’s office at any time, including during the 14 days prior to Election Day and on Election Day. Eligible persons may also register automatically when interacting with the state regarding driver’s license or state ID card.
 - c. In order to vote in the **February 27th, 2024** government-run Presidential Primary, a voter is required to indicate, in writing, on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State, which political party ballot they wish to vote

for.

- d. Pursuant to Michigan Election Law, voters are not required to declare a party affiliation as a prerequisite to participating in the government-run Presidential Primary. Voters must state the party primary they wish to participate in before receiving a ballot.
- e. The Secretary of State compiles a list from municipal clerks that contains the printed name, address, and qualified voter file number of each elector and the political party ballot selected by that elector for the government-run Presidential Primary.
- f. Within 71 days after the government-run Presidential Primary election, the Secretary of State shall make available to the public in an electronic format a file of the records for each political party.
- g. At no stage of Michigan's delegate selection process shall any person be required, directly or indirectly, to pay a cost or fee as a condition for participating. Voluntary contributions to the Party may be made, but under no circumstances shall a contribution be mandatory for participation. (Rule 2.D & Reg. 4.4)
- h. No person shall participate or vote in the nominating process for the Democratic presidential candidate who also participates in the nominating process of any other party for the corresponding election. (Rule 2.E)
- i. Votes shall not be taken by secret ballot at any stage of the delegate selection process, including processes leading up to the selection of DNC Members or State Chairs or Vice Chairs, who serve as DNC members by virtue of their office, except that use of such voting by secret ballot may be used in a process that is the first determining stage of the delegate selection process and in which all individual voters who wish to participate as Democrats are eligible to do so. (Rule

2.F)

- j. No person shall vote in more than one (1) meeting which is the first meeting in the delegate selection process. (Rule 3.E & Reg. 4.7)
2. Michigan is participating in the government-run Presidential Primary that will utilize government-run voting systems. The Michigan Democratic Party has taken or will take provable positive steps to:

a. Maintain secure and accurate state voter registration rolls, so that every eligible American who registers to vote has their personal information protected and secure; (Rule 2.H.1)

Security and accuracy of state voter registration rolls is particularly important to Michigan's Democratic Secretary of State and the Michigan Democratic Party supports efforts from the Secretary of State to maintain and improve our Qualified Voter File (QVF). Michigan maintains limitations to QVF access to ensure privacy and participates in clean up of voter rolls every two (2) years (with provided 30 day notice).

b. Implement transparent and accurate voter registration list maintenance procedures that comply with federal requirements and ensure that every eligible voter stays on the rolls; (Rule 2.H.2)

The Michigan Secretary of State participates in QVF cleanup every two (2) years, ensuring to provide accurate notice to voters who may be removed from voter rolls. The Michigan Democratic Party attempts to contact each individual on the cancellation list to ensure no voter is incorrectly removed.

c. Promote the acquisition, maintenance, and regular replacement of precinct based optical scan voting systems; (Rule 2.H.3)

The State of Michigan mandated the use of optical scan voting systems in 2002. The State of Michigan does not use DRE systems. In 2017, the State of Michigan entered into contracts with three election equipment and software vendors for new voting equipment. Each of Michigan's county clerks worked with their city and township clerks to select one of the three vendors. The new systems all use digital optical scan technology. Starting in the August 2018 statewide primary, Michigan cities and townships have been using the equipment which includes ballot tabulators, accessible devices for use by voters with disabilities (voter assistance terminals) and election management and reporting software. The Michigan Democratic Party supported the steps taken to replace older voting equipment which included receiving extensive feedback about the systems from local election officials and voting rights advocates across the State.

d. Ensure that any direct recording electronic systems in place have a voter verified paper record; (Rule 2.H.4)

Michigan voters who require accommodations for hearing, visual, physical, and other disabilities may use a Voter Assist Terminal to mark their ballot electronically. All other voters are issued paper ballots.

Voters who use a Voter Assist Terminal use the machine to mark their ballot, which is then printed at the voting location and deposited in the tabulator. See Hart Machines

(<https://www.michigan.gov/sos/elections/upcoming-election-information/voters/voting-equipment/hart/vat/using-the-hart-voter-assist-terminal>); Dominion Machines

(<https://www.michigan.gov/sos/elections/upcoming-election-information/voters/voting-equipment/dominion/using-the-dominion-voter-assist-terminal>); and ES&S Machines

(<https://www.michigan.gov/sos/elections/upcoming-election-information/voters/voting-equipment/ess/using-the-ess-voter-assist-terminal>). All ballots are retained for 22 months after each election.

e. Implement risk limiting post-election audits such as manual audits comparing paper records to electronic records; (Rule 2.H.5)

After every election, canvassing boards review election results at the county level. Once certified at the county level, the information is then sent to the state canvassing board to certify the election. Additionally, Michigan Election Law grants the SOS the authority to audit election precincts and to supervise county clerks during the election audit process. The 2022 Promote the Vote constitutional amendment (which the Michigan Democratic Party supported) places this authority in the state constitution (which currently grants voters the right to have the result of a statewide election audited), and requires the SOS to conduct these audits. The Constitution now requires audit methods to be established and publicized before an election, and all audits are conducted in public. Additionally, election officials have to maintain custody of all ballots and other election materials during the audit process, and any funding of the audit must be publicly disclosed.

f. Ensure that all voting systems have recognized security measures; (Rule 2.H.6)

Prior to each election, municipal clerks are required to perform public logic and accuracy testing on all election equipment. No equipment at voting locations, including ePollbooks and AutoMark VoterAssist Terminals, are connected to the internet.

g. Use accessible and secure voting machines that make it possible for individuals with disabilities to vote securely and privately, with votes verifiable by voters; (Rule 2.H.7)

The State of Michigan does not use wireless components and connections in the administering of elections. The State of Michigan does make available for use the AutoMark Voter Assist Terminal, a ballot-marking device for people with disabilities, in all precincts.

Additionally, voters with print disabilities may apply for an accessible electronic absent voter ballot that can be completed electronically, printed, and returned to the local clerk.

h. Provide educational materials to enhance public knowledge and confidence in election administration and counter disinformation; (Rule 2.H.8)

The Michigan Democratic Party has a year-round, fully-staffed, robust voter protection team that works constantly and consistently to provide information and education to voters in Michigan. In addition, the voter protection team works closely with local clerks to assess gaps in public knowledge and provide information as needed.

i. Actively engaging with state and local officials to implement fair and honest election policies and practices; and (Rule 2.H.9)

One of the primary functions of the Michigan Democratic Party Voter Protection team is to maintain regular relationships and communications with election officials. Through the Local Lead program, 80 identified priority city and township clerks' offices are assigned a community volunteer to directly and regularly engage with local clerks. The Voter Protection team regularly works with elected officials at all levels through attending meetings, providing perspective on legislation, testifying at legislative committees, and working closely with liaisons from the legislature, the Secretary of State's office, and the Governor's office.

j. Support adequate funding for state and local election administration. (Rule 2.H.10)

The Michigan Democratic Party supports budgetary requests from the Secretary of State's office and clerks for the running of elections. The Michigan Democratic Party is currently working with a coalition to lobby

the legislature regarding funding for expanded early vote. Following the passage of the 2022 Promote the Vote ballot measure (which the Michigan Democratic Party supported), counties, cities and townships are able to accept and use publicly disclosed charitable donations and contributions to conduct and administer elections.

3. In accordance with the Democratic Party's requirement to assess and improve participation with respect to presidential preference and the delegate selection process, since 2018 the Michigan Democratic Party has established, with DNC assistance, a year-round voter protection program to support educational, administrative, legislative, and litigation-based efforts to protect and expand the vote and advance election fairness and security, including the goals set forth below. (Rule 2.1 and 2.1.1)

- a. Expand access to voting, including by early voting, no excuse absentee voting, same-day voter registration, drop boxes and voting by mail; (Rule 2.1.1.a)**

Michigan voters approved ballot proposals in 2018 and 2022 that expanded and strengthened voting rights in Michigan, including early voting, no-excuse absentee voting, same-day voter registration, drop boxes, and voting by mail. The Michigan Democratic Party strongly supported the 2018 and 2022 proposals. Moreover, the Michigan Democratic Party has opposed any and all attempts to suppress these measures, whether by litigation or other means.

- b. Ensure that voting locations are accessible, fairly placed, and adequate in number, and have a sufficient number of voting machines; (Rule 2.1.1.b)**

Michigan law sets forth a number of requirements for the determination of election precincts, polling places, and the distribution of voting equipment and supplies. See MCL §§ 168.654-654a, 168.657-669, and 168.670-671. Additionally, the Michigan Democratic Party's Voter

Protection team recruits, trains, and assigns poll observers who are present at voting locations during the 40-day early in-person absentee voting period prior to Election Day and on Election Day to identify any issues relating to, among other things, accessibility of voting locations, long lines, and the sufficiency and operability of voting machines and related equipment. The Voter Protection team also operates a Voter Assistance Hotline throughout the voting period to receive and respond to reports of voting issues including those identified above. Reports of voting issues, including inaccessible voting locations, long lines, and voting machine malfunctions, are promptly addressed by Voter Protection Department staff and boiler room volunteers. Further, following each election cycle, the Michigan Democratic Party's Voter Protection team synthesizes the data recorded by poll observers and hotline volunteers. That data is harnessed by the Voter Protection team's Local Lead (clerk liaison) Program to proactively engage city and township clerks between elections to advocate for improvements in the adequacy, accessibility, and fair placement of voting locations and the deployment of sufficient voting machines and equipment.

c. Speed up the voting process and minimize long lines; (Rule 2.I.1.c)

While Michigan law allows for same-day voter registration, including on Election Day, the Michigan Democratic Party actively engages in voter registration efforts prior to Election Day in order to reduce the potential for long lines that are attributable to large numbers of new registrants. Additionally, the Michigan Democratic Party's Voter Protection team recruits, trains, and assigns poll observers who are present at voting locations during the 40-day early in-person absentee voting period prior to Election Day and on Election Day to identify any issues relating to, among other things, accessibility of voting locations, long lines, and the sufficiency and operability of voting machines and related equipment. The Voter Protection team also operates a Voter Assistance Hotline throughout the voting period to receive and respond to reports of voting issues including those identified above. Reports of voting

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d. Eliminate onerous and discriminatory voter identification requirements; (Rule 2.I.1.d)

In 2022, Michigan voters passed a ballot proposal amending the state constitution to give every voter the constitutional right to verify their identity for voting purposes by providing photo identification or signing a sworn statement. Additionally, prior to the elections in 2020 and 2022, the Michigan Democratic Party's Voter Protection team delivered a letter to every city and township clerk stating that tribal identification cards are an acceptable form of photo identification under Michigan law and citing the relevant statutes to proactively address this issue, which is commonly experienced by Native American voters. Moreover, the Voter Protection team's Voter Assistance Hotline's multilingual support included a line for Native Americans.

e. Count and include in the final total ballots from voters who are eligible to vote but cast their ballots in the wrong precinct, for offices for which they are eligible to vote; and (Rule 2.I.1.e)

Issues related to voters mistakenly attempting to vote in the wrong precinct are generally addressed by same-day voter registration. To prevent ballot rejections based on outdated voter registration

addresses, prior to the 2022 General Election, the Michigan Democratic Party's Voter Protection team called voters whose ballots were rejected due to address issues in 2021 or the May or August elections in 2022.

f. Facilitate military and overseas voting. (Rule 2.1.1.f)

In 2022, Michigan voters passed a ballot proposal amending the state constitution to require that ballots from service members and overseas voters be counted if the ballot is postmarked by Election Day. The Michigan Democratic Party has always supported and advocated for legislation to expand military and overseas voting, including supporting pending Senate Bill 177 (Wojno) and House Bill 4210 (Glanville). Furthermore, through its Local Lead (clerk liaison) Program, the Michigan Democratic Party's Voter Protection Department actively monitors whether city and township clerks have mailed military and overseas ballots by the MOVE deadline.

g. Increase knowledge of voter dates and deadlines.

In each election cycle, the Michigan Democratic Party's voter education and get out the vote efforts include communicating key election dates and deadlines such as those related to ballot access and voter registration through the Party's website, social media accounts, and direct mail. Further, in order to facilitate voting by mail and avoid untimely ballot delivery, the Michigan Democratic Party advises voters who wish to conduct any voting related transactions by mail to do so no later than two weeks before Election Day.

4. As part of encouraging participation in the delegate selection process by registered voters, the Michigan Democratic Party is supporting efforts to make voter registration easier, including supporting: (Rule 2.1.2)

a. Voter registration modernization, including online voter registration and automatic and same-day registration; (Rule 2.I.2.a)

A successful constitutional amendment in 2018, supported by the Michigan Democratic Party, gave Michigan voters the right to same-day voter registration up to and including on Election Day. Additionally, it provided automatic registration of citizens to vote at Secretary of State branch offices. Automatic registration began in September of 2019 and specifically requires Secretary of State branch offices to ensure that when Michigan citizens apply for or update their driver's license or personal ID cards, they automatically are registered to vote unless they decline. Democratic Michigan Secretary of State, Jocelyn Benson, initiated online voter registration in time for the November 2019 election.

b. Pre-registration of high school students so that they are already registered once they reach voting age; (Rule 2.I.2.b)

Under Michigan law, a person may register to vote once they are 17.5 years of age. The Michigan Democratic Party is actively advocating for the expansion of pre-registration.

c. Restoration of voting rights to all people who have served the time for their criminal conviction, without requiring the payment of court fees or fines; and (Rule 2.I.2.c)

Michigan law does not require that a person who has completed their sentence for a criminal conviction must pay court fees or fines to restore their voting rights. See MCL 168.758b.

d. Same-day or automatic registration of voters for the Democratic presidential nominating process. (Rule 2.I.2.d)

As indicated in previous answers (see I.C.4.a), Michigan allows for same-day voter registration up to and including on Election Day.

5. Michigan does not require voters to declare a party affiliation as a prerequisite to participating in the government-run Presidential Primary thus allowing voters to “switch” their affiliation up to and including election day. The Michigan Democratic Party continues to work to ensure an open and inclusive election process, as demonstrated through previous answers in this plan.

6. Scheduling of Delegate Selection Meetings

The dates, times, and places for all official Party meetings and events related to Michigan’s delegate selection process have been scheduled to encourage the participation of all Democrats. Such meetings will begin and end at reasonable hours. The Michigan Democratic Party is responsible for selecting the dates and times and locating and confirming the availability of publicly accessible facilities for all official meetings and events related to the process.

The Michigan Democratic Party will consider any religious observations that could significantly affect participation.

Section 2

Presidential Candidates

A. Ballot Access

A Presidential Candidate gains access to the Michigan government-run Presidential Primary ballot by the following:

1. Not later than **4 PM on November 10, 2023**, the Secretary of State shall issue a list of the individuals generally advocated by the national news media to be potential presidential candidates for each party's nomination by the political parties for which a presidential primary election will be held. The Secretary of State shall make the list issued under this subsection available to the public on an Internet website maintained by the Department of State.
2. Not later than **4 PM on November 14, 2023** the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall file with the Secretary of State a list of individuals whom they consider to be potential presidential candidates for that political party. It is the Michigan Democratic Party's intent to include all widely recognized, legitimate candidates who meet the requirements of Rule 13. K of the Rules and Article VI of the DNC Call to Convention. The Secretary of State shall make the lists received under this subsection available to the public on an Internet website maintained by the Department of State.
3. After the issuance of the list under subsection (1) and after receipt of names from the state chair of each political party under subsection (2), the Secretary of State shall notify each potential presidential candidate on the lists of the provisions of this act relating to the presidential primary election.
4. There are no filing fees or petition requirements for candidates that qualify under subsection (1) or (2)
5. The name of an individual who is not listed as a potential presidential candidate in accordance with subsection (1) or (2) shall be printed on the ballot for the appropriate political party for the presidential primary election if

they file a nominating petition with the secretary of state no later than **4 PM December 8, 2023**. The nominating petition shall contain valid signatures of registered and qualified electors equal to not less than 1/2 of 1% of the total votes cast for Joseph R. Biden in the 2020 General Election, or 14,020 signatures. A signature on a nominating petition is not valid if obtained before **October 1, 2023**. (MCL 168.615a)

6. Michigan election law has no provisions for write-in candidates or an “uncommitted” designation on the presidential primary ballot

B. Other Requirements

1. Each presidential candidate shall certify in writing to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party, the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) by **November 1, 2023**. (Rule 13.D.1)
2. Each presidential candidate shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation within the state delegation achieves the affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals established by this Plan and is equally divided between men and women. (Rule 6.I)

Section 3

Selection of Delegates and Alternates

A. District-Level Delegates

1. Michigan is allocated 77 district-level delegates. Michigan is allocated 10 alternate delegates. All 10 alternate delegates will be selected At-Large. (Rule 8.C, Call I.B, I.I, & Appendix B)
2. District-level delegates shall be apportioned based on the results of a government-run Presidential Primary followed by a post-primary convention.
 - a. The **February 27, 2024** Michigan government-run Presidential Primary will determine the number of delegates allotted to a presidential candidate at all levels of the Michigan Democratic Party delegate selection process, except for the Democratic National Committee Members, Members of Congress, and Distinguished Party Leaders in their respective automatic categories.
 - b. District-level delegates shall be elected by congressional district conventions held on **Saturday, May 11, 2024**. Each congressional district party shall be responsible for providing facilities for the delegate selection meetings.
3. Apportionment of District-Level Delegates and Alternates
 - a. Michigan's district-level delegates are apportioned among the districts based on a formula giving equal weight to the vote for the Democratic candidates in the 2020 presidential and the 2022 gubernatorial elections. This method was chosen as it is an unbiased assessment of our Democratic electorate and allows for the use of statewide election results from the most recent 2 even-year general elections. (Rule 8.A, Reg. 4.12, Reg. 4.11 & Appendix A)

- b. The number of men and the number of women in Michigan’s total number of district-level delegates will not vary by more than one. (Rule 6.C.1 & Reg. 4.9)
- c. The district-level delegates are apportioned to districts as indicated in the following table, assuming no gender non-binary delegates:

District	Delegates		
	Males	Females	Total
1	2	3	5
2	2	2	4
3	3	3	6
4	2	3	5
5	2	2	4
6	4	4	8
7	3	3	6
8	3	3	6
9	2	3	5
10	3	3	6
11	4	4	8
12	4	3	7
13	4	3	7
Total	38	39	77

4. District-Level Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements

- a. A district-level delegate candidate may run for election only within the district in which they are registered to vote. (Rule 13.H)

- b. An individual can qualify as a candidate to be a district-level delegate from Michigan to the 2024 Democratic National Convention by joining the Michigan Democratic Party and by filing a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate with the Michigan Democratic Party by **5 pm on April 11, 2024** at 606 Townsend, Lansing, MI 48933. An individual can join the Party by completing an application and submitting it by hand-delivery, mail, e-mail or at the Party's website. Any statement of candidacy or membership received after the deadline, regardless of the reason, will not meet this qualification. A delegate or alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline.

5. Presidential Candidate Right of Review for District-Level Delegates

- a. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), no later than **5 PM on April 15, 2024**, a list of all persons who have filed for district-level delegate pledged to that presidential candidate. (Rule 13.D & Rule 13.F)
- b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must then file with the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party by **5 PM on April 22, 2024**, a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that approval be given to at least three (3) separate individuals for each position for delegate and three (3) separate individuals for each alternate position to be selected. (Rule 13.E.1, Reg. 4.23 & Reg. 4.24)
- c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate and alternate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate, or the authorized representative(s), signifies otherwise in writing to the Chair of the Democratic Party not later than **5**

PM on April 22, 2024.

- d. National convention delegate candidates removed from the list of bona fide supporters by a presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), may not be elected as a delegate or alternate at that level pledged to that presidential candidate. (Rule 13.E & Reg. 4.23)
- e. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective district-level delegate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved district-level delegate candidates as indicated in Section III.A.5.b of this Plan. (Rule 6.I & Reg.4.10.C)

6. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference

- a. The Michigan government-run Presidential Primary election is a "binding" primary. Accordingly, delegate positions shall be allocated so as to fairly reflect the expressed presidential preference of the primary voters in each district. The National Convention delegates selected at the district level shall be allocated in proportion to the percentage of the primary vote won in that district by each preference, except that preferences falling below a 15% threshold shall not be awarded any delegates or alternates.
- b. Within a district, if no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the vote received in that district by the front-runner. (Rule 14.F)
- c. The presidential preference of the pledged delegates and alternates to be elected at the district level will be determined by the results of the

February 27, 2024 government-run Presidential Primary.

- i. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall notify each district chair by **April 5, 2024** of the delegate allocation by presidential candidate for each district.
- ii. In making the allocation, the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall follow the following guidelines:
 1. Tabulate the percentage of the vote that each presidential candidate receives in the congressional district to three decimals.
 2. Re-tabulate the percentage of the vote to three decimals, received by each presidential candidate excluding the votes of presidential candidate(s) whose percentage in "(1)" falls below 15%.
 3. Multiply the number of delegates to be allocated by the percentage received by each presidential candidate as calculated in "(2)".
 4. Delegates shall be allocated to each presidential candidate based on the whole numbers that result from the multiplication in "(3)".
 5. Remaining delegates, if any, shall be awarded in order of the highest fractional remainders in "(3)".

7. Congressional District Conventions

- a. District Conventions of enrolled Democrats will be held in each of Michigan's congressional districts on **Saturday, May 11, 2024**.

- b. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify to the district chair the names of those enrolled Democrats for each district by **5:00 pm on April 26, 2024**.

- c. Enrolled Democrats shall be the only persons eligible to participate in the district conventions. Enrolled Democrats include only the following:
 - i. Precinct delegates who were duly elected at the primary election held August 2, 2022 and Democratic elected officials as set forth in Michigan Democratic Party Rules. In order to vote at the district conventions, these persons must be members of the Michigan Democratic Party on or before **May 11, 2024**. They may become members that day when they register at the district conventions.
 - ii. Members of the Michigan Democratic Party at least thirty (30) days prior to **May 11, 2024**, or by **April 11, 2024**. Individuals whose memberships expire inside the 30 day window are eligible to participate if they renew on or before **May 11, 2024**.
 - iii. Enrolled Democrats will be presumed to be registered Michigan voters, or will reach 18 years of age and register to vote in Michigan for the **November 5, 2024** General Election.
 - iv. Any eligible person may become a member of the Michigan Democratic Party, and there exists no requirement for any financial contribution to the Party in order to join.

- d. The agenda for District Conventions shall be as follows:
 - i. Registration of Enrolled Democrats. In order to register, each enrolled Democrat shall sign a statement of support for their presidential candidate indicating the county in which they are registered to vote and submit it to the Credentials Committee.

- ii. Call to order by duly elected congressional district chair (or designee) serving as permanent chair
- iii. Appointment of permanent secretary by permanent chair
- iv. Report of the Convention Credentials Committee
 1. The Credentials Committee shall report the number of registered, enrolled Democrats expressing each presidential preference both in aggregate numbers and for each county or part of a county within the congressional district.
 2. Upon adoption of the Credentials Committee report, no further registration shall be permitted.
- v. Report of the Convention Rules Committee
 1. A county's or portion of a county's "State Allocation of Delegate Votes" shall be used to determine the number of votes each county or portion of a county shall cast in each of the presidential caucuses within the district.
 2. The Rules Committee report shall contain the allocation of delegates according to gender identity among the presidential candidates. The allocation shall be provided by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party to the chair of each congressional district no later than **April 5, 2024**. In assigning the delegate and alternate positions by gender identity the following guidelines shall be followed by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party:
 - a. The allocation shall start with the positions allocated to the presidential candidate receiving

the largest number of votes in the district and then continue by alternating between the male and female delegate positions allocated to the other presidential candidates in declining order according to the number of votes received for each presidential candidate in the congressional district. The first delegate position shall be allocated to a male, unless there are more female delegates to be elected, in which case the first delegate position shall be allocated to a female.

- vi. Recess into Presidential Caucus. After the Rules Committee report, the convention shall recess into separate caucuses of each presidential candidate pursuant to their signed statement of support for the purposes of electing their respective delegates.
 1. Election of permanent presidential caucus chair: Each presidential candidate (or designee) shall appoint a temporary chair of the presidential caucus for the purpose of calling the caucus to order and presiding during the election of a permanent caucus chair, who shall be from that district.
 2. Election of delegates
 - a. The district chair shall provide each presidential caucus with a list of those individuals approved by its presidential candidate for nomination as delegates.
 - b. All such individuals' names shall be read to the presidential caucus by the duly elected presidential caucus chair and shall be considered nominated when their names are read. No other names shall be

accepted.

- c. In the voting in each presidential caucus, each county or portion of a county within a district shall cast its full-allocated number of votes according to the Report of the Rules Committee by the vote of the delegates from that county or portion of a county only. No county or portion of a county shall be deprived of its total vote unless there are no delegates present from that county or portion of a county in that presidential caucus. Therefore, if the actual number of delegates is less or more than their allocated number of votes, the total shall be prorated to the votes allocated to that county or portion of a county by the Report of the Rules Committee.

vii. Reconvening of Convention

1. At the conclusion of each of the presidential caucuses, each presidential caucus chair shall report the results of the election to the permanent convention chair.
2. The results of the election shall be read to the convention as a whole and any challenge to those results shall be announced at the same time either by the permanent convention chair or by a member of the presidential caucus whose results are being challenged.

- viii. Adjournment. Immediately upon adjournment of each district convention, the district chair and secretary shall certify to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party the results of the election of delegates, noting any challenges.

e. Rules for District Conventions

- i. No less than forty percent (40%) of the enrolled Democrats registering at the district convention constitute a quorum for any business pertaining to the selection of delegates.
- ii. No proxies may be used.
- iii. The unit rule, or any rules or practice whereby all members of a party unit, delegation or caucus may be required to cast their votes in accordance with the will of a majority of the body, shall not be permitted.
- iv. Any individual or group of Democrats may sponsor or endorse a slate of candidates for convention delegates. But no slate may by virtue of such endorsement, receive preferential treatment or a preferential place on a delegate selection ballot or be publicly identified as the "official" slate, and all slates must meet identical qualifying requirements for appearing on the ballot.

8. Equal Division of District-Level Delegates and Alternates

- a. To ensure the district-level binary-gendered delegates are equally divided between men and women (determined by gender self-identification) the gender identity of the first binary delegate elected in each district will be designated. At the time of election of delegates in the district, the binary gender advantage will alternate as delegate positions are filled and the alternation shall continue across presidential preferences in order of vote-getting preference. In the case of non-binary gender delegates, they shall not be counted in either the male or female category, but do count towards the total delegate allotment. (Rule 6.C., Rule 6.C.1 & Reg. 4.10)

- b. Following the results of the **February 27th, 2024** government-run Presidential Primary, the Michigan Democratic Party will allocate delegate positions to each presidential preference who is entitled to receive delegates in the congressional district (cite the math)
 - c. Presidential candidates entitled to an even number of delegates in a congressional district shall have those delegates be equally allocated by gender identity. Candidates receiving an odd number of delegates shall have gender identity allocated in such a way so that the number of men and the number of women does not vary by more than one. Gender non-binary delegates shall not be counted as either men or women, and the remainder of the delegation for that candidate in that district shall be as equally divided by gender identity as possible.
 - d. The gender identity of the first position for delegates allocated to a presidential candidate within a congressional district shall be assigned in order of votes won, alternating by gender identity. In the case of non-binary gender delegates, they shall not be counted in either the male or female category, but do count towards the total allocation of delegates.
9. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) the election of the state's district-level delegates to the Democratic National Convention within ten (10) days after their election. (Rule 8.C & Call IV.A)

B. Automatic Delegates

1. Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Officials
 - a. The following categories shall constitute the Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Official delegate positions:

- i. Members of the Democratic National Committee who legally reside in the state; (Rule 9.A.1, Call I.F, Call I.J, & Reg. 4.15)
 - ii. All of Michigan’s Democratic Members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate; (Rule 9.A.3, Call I.H & Call I.J)
 - iii. The Democratic Governor; (Rule 9.A.4, Call I.H & Call I.J)
 - iv. “Distinguished Party Leader” delegates who legally reside in the state; Persons who qualify as “Distinguished Party Leader” delegates are: all former Democratic Presidents or Vice Presidents, all former Democratic Leaders of the U.S. Senate, all former Democratic Speakers of the U.S. House of Representatives and Democratic Minority Leaders, as applicable, and all former Chairs of the Democratic National Committee. (Rule 9.A.5, Call I.G & Reg. 4.14)
- b. An Automatic delegate may run and be elected as a Pledged delegate. If an Automatic delegate is elected and certified as a Pledged delegate, that individual shall not serve as an Automatic delegate at the 2024 National Convention. (Call I.J)
- c. The certification process for the Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official delegates is as follows:
- i. Not later than **March 6, 2024**, the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee shall officially confirm to the State Democratic Chair the names of the Automatic delegates who legally reside in State. (Rule 9.A)
 - ii. Official confirmation by the Secretary shall constitute verification of the Automatic delegates from the categories indicated above. (Call IV.B.1)

- iii. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference of state's Automatic delegates 10 days after the completion of the State's Delegate Selection Process. (Call IV.C)
2. For purposes of achieving equal division between delegate men and delegate women and alternate men and alternate women within the state's entire convention delegation (determined by gender self-identification), the entire delegation includes all pledged and Automatic delegates, including those who identify as male or female. (Rule 6.C and Reg. 4.9)

C. Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates (PLEOs)

1. Michigan is allotted 15 pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates. (Call I.D, Call I.E & Appendix B)
2. Pledged PLEO Delegate Filing Requirements
 - a. Individuals shall be eligible for the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegate positions according to the following priority: big city mayors and state-wide elected officials (to be given equal consideration); state legislative leaders, state legislators, and other state, county and local elected officials and party leaders. Automatic delegates who choose to run for PLEO delegate will be given equal consideration with big city mayors and state-wide elected officials. (Rule 10.A.1 & Reg. 4.16)
 - b. An individual can qualify as a candidate for a position as a pledged PLEO delegate by filing a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate with the Michigan Democratic Party by **5 PM on May 6, 2024** at 606 Townsend, Lansing, MI 48933. An individual can join the Party by completing an application and submitting it by hand-delivery, mail, e-mail or at the Party's website. Any statement of

candidacy or membership received after the deadline, regardless of the reason, will not meet this qualification. A delegate or alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline. Candidate forms will be available on michigandems.com starting **January 2, 2024**. (Rule 15.G, Reg.4.18 & Reg. 4.17)

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review

- a. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), no later than **5 PM on May 7, 2024** a list of all persons who have filed for a party and elected official delegate pledged to that presidential candidate. (Rule 13.D)
- b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must file with the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party, by **5 PM on May 14, 2024**, a list of all such candidates they have approved, as long as approval is given to at least two (2) names for every position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. (Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.24)
- c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party not later than **5 PM on May 14, 2024**. (Rule 13.D)
- d. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective pledged PLEO delegate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan within three (3) business days

of returning the list of approved pledged PLEO candidates as indicated in Section III.C.3.b of this Plan. (Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10.C)

4. Selection of Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates

- a. The pledged PLEO slots shall be allocated among presidential preferences on the same basis as the at-large delegates. (Rule 10.A.2, Rule 11.C, Rule 14.E & Rule 14.F)
- b. Selection of the pledged PLEO delegates will occur at **June 1, 2024** at a Michigan Democratic State Central Committee Meeting, which is after the election of district-level delegates and prior to the selection of at-large delegates and alternates. See III.D.6 for how PLEO delegates are chosen. (Rule 10.A)
- c. These delegates will be selected by the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee. The Michigan Democratic State Central Committee meets the criteria established by the DNC rules:
 - i. Membership on the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee is apportioned to each congressional district based on the 2022 vote for the Democratic nominee for Secretary of State. (Rule 10.B.1 & Reg. 4.18.A)
 - ii. Members of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee were elected at congressional district conventions or caucuses in a fair and open process on **February 11, 2023**. (Rule 10.B.2, Rule 10.B.3, Rule 10.B.4 & Reg. 4.18.B)
 - iii. Membership of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee complies with the equal division requirements of Article 9, Section 15 of the Charter of the Democratic Party of the United States.

- iv. Alternates are not selected at the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official level. These alternates are combined with the at-large alternates and selected as one unit.
5. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the state's pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates to the Democratic National Convention within ten (10) days after their election. (Call IV.A & Reg. 5.4.A)

D. At-Large Delegates and Alternates

1. Michigan is allotted 25 at-large delegates and 10 at-large alternates. (Rule 8.C, Call I.B, II, Appendix B & Reg. 4.32)
2. At-Large Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements
 - a. Individuals desiring to seek at-large delegate or alternate positions can qualify by joining the Michigan Democratic Party and by filing a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate with the Michigan Democratic Party by **5 PM on May 6, 2024** at 606 Townsend, Lansing, MI 48933. An individual can join the Party by completing an application and submitting it by hand-delivery, mail, e-mail or at the Party's website. Any statement of candidacy or membership received after the deadline, regardless of the reason, will not meet this qualification. A delegate or alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline. Candidate forms will be available on michigandems.com starting **January 2, 2024**. (Rule 13.A., Rule 13.B, Rule 15.G, Reg. 4.21, Reg. 4.22, & Reg. 4.29)
 - b. The statement of candidacy for at-large delegates and for at-large alternates will be the same. After the at-large delegates are elected by

the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee those persons not chosen will then be considered candidates for at-large alternate positions unless they specify otherwise when filing. (Rule 19.A)

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review

- a. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), not later than **5 PM on May 7, 2024**, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate or alternate pledged to that presidential candidate. (Rule 13.D)
- b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must then file with the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party 30 minutes after the election of PLEO delegates on **June 1, 2024**, a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that, at a minimum, two (2) names remain(s) for every national convention delegate or alternate position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. (Rule 13.D.4, Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.24)
- c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party no later than 30 minutes after the election of PLEO delegates on **June 1, 2024**.
- d. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective at-large delegate candidates and at-large alternate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action and Outreach and Inclusion section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved at-large delegate candidates and

at-large alternate candidates as indicated in this Section.

4. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference

- a. At-large delegate and alternate positions shall be allocated among presidential preferences according to the state-wide **February 27th, 2024** government-run Presidential Primary vote. (Rule 11.C)
- b. Preferences which have not attained a 15% threshold on a state-wide basis shall not be entitled to any at-large delegates. (Rule 14.E)
- c. If no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the statewide vote received by the front-runner. (Rule 14.F)
- d. If a presidential candidate otherwise entitled to an allocation is no longer a candidate at the time of selection of the at-large delegates, their allocation will be proportionally divided among the other preferences entitled to an allocation. (Rule 11.C)
- e. If a given presidential preference is entitled to one (1) or more delegate positions but would not otherwise be entitled to an alternate position, that preference shall be allotted one (1) at-large alternate position. (Rule 19.B, Call I.I & Reg. 4.31)

5. Selection of At-Large Delegates and Alternates

- a. The selection of the at-large delegates and alternates will occur on **June 1, 2024** at a Michigan Democratic State Central Committee meeting, after all Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates have been selected. (Call III)

- b. See III.C.4.c for information on how Michigan Democratic State Central Committee members are selected in compliance with Rule 10.B.

- c. Priority of Consideration
 - i. In the selection of the at-large delegation priority of consideration shall be given to African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders, Arab Americans, members of the LGBTQ community, persons with disabilities, young people, and women, if such priority of consideration is needed to fulfill the affirmative action goals outlined in the state's Delegate Selection Plan. (Rule 6.A.3)

 - ii. To continue the Democratic Party's ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party's affairs and to assist in the achievement of full participation by these groups, priority of consideration shall be given to other groups by virtue of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identify, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability. (Rule 5.C, Rule 6.A.3, Rule 7 & Reg. 4.8)

 - iii. The election of at-large delegates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women as far as mathematically practicable, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan. The election of at-large alternates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women as far as mathematically practicable, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan. (Rule 6.A, Rule 6.C and Reg. 4.9)

- iv. Delegates and alternates are to be considered separate groups for this purpose. (Rule 6.C.1, Rule 11.A, Reg. 4.9 & Reg. 4.19)
- v. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the state's at-large delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention within 10 days after their election. (Rule 8.C & Call IV.A)

6. Michigan Democratic State Central Committee Meeting

- a. At a meeting of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee on **June 1, 2024**, the following delegates and alternates will be chosen in the listed order:

- i. 15 Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) Delegates
- ii. 25 Pledged At-Large Delegates
- iii. 10 Pledged At-Large Alternates

- b. This meeting will be the final step in the Michigan delegate selection process.

- c. General Rules for the Meeting

- i. See III.C.4.c for information on how Michigan Democratic State Central Committee members are selected in compliance with Rule 10.B.
- ii. This meeting will be conducted using guidelines and procedures in the Michigan Democratic Party Rules and Bylaws.

- iii. No less than 40% of the members or voting alternates shall constitute a quorum.
- iv. The unit rule, or any rule or practice whereby all members of a party unit, delegation or caucus may be required to cast their votes in accordance with the will of the majority of the body, shall not be used at this meeting.
- v. Any delegate or voting alternate may sponsor or endorse a slate of candidates for convention delegates and/or alternates, but no slate may, by virtue of such endorsement, receive preferential treatment or preferential place on the ballot or be publicly identified on the ballot as the "official" slate, and all slates must meet identical qualifying requirements for appearing on the ballot at all levels of the delegate selection process.
- vi. All delegate and alternate slots shall be allocated as to presidential preference based on the results of the **February 27, 2024** government-run Presidential Primary. If a presidential candidate entitled to delegates or alternates is no longer a candidate at the time of their selection, their allocation shall be proportionately divided among the other preferences entitled to an allocation.

d. Presidential Caucus Rules

- i. Each presidential candidate (or designee) shall name a person to serve as temporary presidential caucus chair to convene the caucus and preside during the election of a permanent chair.
- ii. The Permanent caucus chair must be a member of the caucus.
- iii. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party will provide each caucus with a list of those individuals who are eligible to be

elected delegates and/or alternates.

- iv. All such individuals' names shall be read to the caucus by the duly elected caucus chair and shall be considered nominated when their names are read. The caucus shall accept no other nominations.
 - v. The delegates and/or alternates shall then be elected in accordance with the Michigan Democratic Party's Rules for Voting & Elections.
 - vi. At the conclusion of the caucuses, the caucus chair shall read the results to the State Central Committee. Any challenges will be reported at this time. Challenges not made at this time shall be waived.
 - vii. The State Central Committee shall then elect the delegates.
- e. Agenda for selection of Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials
- i. Michigan Democratic State Central Committee members, including officers, delegates, and alternates, shall register their presidential preference before the beginning of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee meeting on **June 1, 2024**.
 - ii. Call to Order by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party
 - iii. Recess into Presidential caucus(es)
 - 1. Call to order by temporary chair
 - 2. Election of permanent chair

3. Nomination of Pledged Party Leader and Election Official delegates
 - iv. Reports by the permanent chair(s) of the presidential caucus(es)
 - v. Election of delegates by Michigan Democratic State Central Committee
 - vi. Brief recess
- f. Agenda for selection of At-Large Delegates and Alternates
 - i. Registration of presidential preference by state central committee members
 - ii. Call to Order by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party
 - iii. Recess into Presidential caucus(es)
 1. Nomination of At-Large delegates
 2. Nomination of At-Large alternates
 - iv. Reports by the permanent chair(s) for the Presidential caucus(es)
 - v. Election of At-Large Delegates by the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee
 - vi. Election of At-Large Alternates by the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee
 - vii. Adjournment

E. Replacement of Delegates and Alternates

1. A pledged delegate or alternate may be replaced according to the following guidelines:
 - a. Permanent Replacement of a Delegate: (Rule 19.D.3)
 - i. A permanent replacement occurs when a delegate resigns or dies prior to or during the national convention and the alternate replaces the delegate for the remainder of the National Convention.
 - ii. Any alternate permanently replacing a delegate shall be of the same presidential preference and gender identity of the delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.
 1. In the case where the presidential candidate has only one (1) alternate, that alternate shall become the certified delegate.
 2. If a presidential candidate has only one (1) alternate, and that alternate permanently replaces a delegate of a different gender identity, thereby causing the delegation to no longer be equally divided, the delegation shall not be considered in violation of Rule 6.C. In such a case, notwithstanding Rule 19.D.2, the Michigan Democratic Party shall, at the time of a subsequent permanent replacement, replace a delegate with a person of a different gender identity, in order to return the delegation to equal division of men and women. (Reg. 4.34)
 - iii. If a delegate or alternate candidate who has been elected but not certified to the DNC Secretary resigns, dies, or is no longer

eligible to serve, they shall be replaced, after consultation with the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party, by the authorized representative of the presidential candidate to whom they are pledged. (Rule 19.D.2)

b. Temporary Replacement of a Delegate: (Rule 19.D.4)

- i. A temporary replacement occurs when a delegate is to be absent for a limited period of time during the convention and an alternate temporarily acts in the delegate's place.
- ii. Any alternate who temporarily replaces a delegate must be of the same presidential preference as the delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be of the same gender identity and from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.

c. Permanent and temporary replacements of delegates will be chosen by the Michigan National Convention delegation through a process facilitated by the Delegation Chair.

d. Certification of Replacements

- i. Any alternate who permanently replaces a delegate shall be certified in writing to the Secretary of the DNC by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party. (Rule 19.D.3)
- ii. Permanent replacement of a delegate (as specified above) by an alternate and replacement of a vacant alternate position shall be certified in writing by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the replacement is selected. (Call IV.D.1)

- iii. Certification of permanent replacements will be accepted by the Secretary up to 72 hours before the first official session of the Convention is scheduled to convene. (Call IV.D.1 & Reg. 4.33)
 - iv. In the case where a pledged delegate is permanently replaced after 72 hours before the time the first session is scheduled to convene or, in the case where a pledged delegate is not on the floor of the Convention Hall at the time a roll call vote is taken, an alternate may be designated (as specified above) to cast the delegate's vote. In such a case, the Delegation Chair shall indicate the name of the alternate casting the respective delegate's vote on the delegation tally sheet. (Call IX.F.3.e, Call IX.F.3.c & Reg. 5.6)
 - e. A vacant alternate position shall be filled by the delegation. The replacement shall be of the same presidential preference, of the same gender identity and, to the extent possible, from the same political subdivision as the alternate being replaced. (Rule 19.E)
2. Automatic delegates shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except under the following circumstances: (Call IV.D.2 & Reg. 4.35)
- a. Members of Congress and the Democratic Governor shall not be entitled to name a replacement. In the event of changes or vacancies in Michigan's Congressional Delegation, following the official confirmation and prior to the commencement of the National Convention, the DNC Secretary shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives or the Democratic Conference of the U.S. Senate. In the event of a change or vacancy in the state's office of Governor, the DNC shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Governors' Association. (Call

IV.D.2.a)

- b. Members of the Democratic National Committee shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except in the case of death of such delegates. In the case where the state's DNC membership changes following the DNC Secretary's official confirmation, but prior to the commencement of the 2024 Democratic National Convention, acknowledgment by the Secretary of the new DNC member certification shall constitute verification of the corresponding change of Automatic delegates. (Call, IV.D.2.b)
- c. Automatic distinguished Party Leader delegates allocated to the state pursuant to Rule 9.A.(5), shall not be entitled to name a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to name a replacement. (Call IV.D.2.c)
- d. In no case may an alternate cast a vote for an Automatic delegate. (Call IX.F.3.e)

Section 4

Selection of Convention Standing Committee Members

A. Introduction

1. Michigan has been allocated five (5) members on each of the three (3) standing committees for the 2024 Democratic National Convention (Credentials, Platform and Rules), for a total of 15 members. (Call VII.A & Appendix D)
2. Members of the Convention Standing Committees need not be delegates or alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention. (Call VII.A.3)
3. These members will be selected in accordance with the procedures indicated below. (Rule 1.G)

B. Temporary Standing Committee Members

1. Temporary members for the Convention Platform Standing Committees will be selected by the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee at a meeting in the first quarter of 2024. The meeting shall be open to the public and well publicized in accordance with this Plan. Members of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee shall receive timely notice of the meeting, in accordance with State Party rules. (Call VII.G.2)
2. Any Democrat may apply for a position as a temporary member of the Platform Standing Committee. Persons wishing to be considered must submit an application to the Michigan Democratic Party with their name, address, phone number, email, and Presidential preference to MidemParty@michigandems.com no later than **5 PM on February 29th, 2024**.
3. The male and female membership of the standing committee shall be as equally divided among men and women (determined by self-identification) as possible under the state allocation; i.e. the variance between men and

women on the committee shall not exceed one. (Call VII.E.2) In the case of gender non-binary committee members, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the standing committee members shall be equally divided between male gender (men) and female gender (women). (Call VII.E.1)

4. Temporary members serve only in the event that the respective standing committee is called to meet prior to completion of the state's delegate selection process and subsequent selection of permanent standing committee members. No temporary member may continue to serve after the selection of the permanent standing committee members unless they are elected as a permanent member. (Call VII.G.3)
5. Temporary members selected after the first determining step has occurred in a state shall reflect the Presidential preferences so established. (Call VII.G.3)
6. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify the temporary standing committee members in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. Substitutions in a state's list of temporary members may only be made up to ten (10) days prior to the time the standing committee meets. Substitute temporary standing committee members will be selected at a meeting of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee in accordance with the provisions outlined above. (Call VII.B.3 and Call VII.G.4)

C. Permanent Standing Committee Members

1. Selection Meeting
 - a. The members of the standing committees shall be elected by a quorum of Michigan's National Convention delegates, at a meeting to be held on **June 1, 2024** immediately following the adjournment of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee Meeting. (Call VII.B.1)

- b. All members of the delegation shall receive adequate notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the standing committee members. (Call VII.B.1)

2. Allocation of Members

- a. The members of the standing committees allocated to Michigan shall proportionately represent the presidential preference of all candidates receiving the threshold percentage used in the state's delegation to calculate the at-large apportionment pursuant to Rule 14.E. of the Delegate Selection Rules. (Call VII.C.1 & Reg. 5.9)
- b. The presidential preference of each candidate receiving the applicable percentage or more within the delegation shall be multiplied by the total number of standing committee positions allocated to Michigan. If the result of such multiplication does not equal 0.455 or above, the presidential preference in question is not entitled to representation on the standing committee. If the result of such multiplication is 0.455 but less than 1.455, the presidential preference is entitled to one (1) position. Those preferences securing more than 1.455 but less than 2.455 are entitled to two (2) positions, etc. (Call VII.C.2)
- c. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation exceeding the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is farthest from its eventual rounded-off total shall be denied that one (1) additional position. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation falling short of the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is closest to the next rounding level shall be allotted an additional committee position. (Call VII.C.3)
- d. Standing committee positions allocated to a presidential candidate shall be proportionately allocated, to the extent practicable, to each of

the three (3) standing committees. When such allocation results in an unequal distribution of standing committee positions by candidate preference, a drawing shall be conducted to distribute the additional positions. (Call VII.C.4)

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review

- a. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), shall be given adequate notice of the date, time and location of the meeting of the state's delegation authorized to elect standing committee members. (Call VII.D.1)
- b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must submit to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party, by **5:00 PM on June 1, 2024**, a minimum of (1) name for each slot awarded to that candidate for members of each committee. The delegation shall select the standing committee members from among names submitted by the presidential candidates. Presidential candidates shall not be required to submit the name of more than one (1) person for each slot awarded to such candidate for members of standing committees. (Call VII.D.2)

4. Selection Procedure to Achieve Equal Division

- a. Presidential candidates shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation of standing committee members shall achieve Michigan's affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals and that their respective male and female members are equally divided between the men and women determined by gender self-identification. (Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10)
- b. The Michigan National Convention delegation will determine the process that it will use to achieve equal division of the standing committee members as long as the process meets the following

requirements;

- i. A separate election shall be conducted for membership on each standing committee.
- ii. The male and female membership of the standing committees shall be as equally divided among the men and women as possible under the state allocation; the variance between men and women in any committee and among the three committees in aggregate shall not exceed one. (Call VII.E.2)
- iii. Gender non-binary committee members shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided between male gender (men) and female gender (women). (Call VII.E.1)
- iv. The positions allocated to each presidential candidate on each committee shall be voted on separately, and the winners shall be the highest vote-getter(s) of the appropriate gender identity.

5. Certification and Substitution

- a. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify the standing committee members in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. (Call VII.B.3)
- b. No substitutions will be permitted in the case of standing committee members, except in the case of resignation or death. Substitutions must be made in accordance with the rules and the election procedures specified in this section, and must be certified in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the substitute member is selected but not later than 48 hours before the

respective standing committee meets, except in the case of death.
(Call VII.B.4)

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Section 5

Selection of Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

A. Introduction

Michigan will select one (1) person to serve as Delegation Chair and five (5) to serve as Convention Pages. (Call IV.E, Call IV.F.1 & Appendix C)

B. Delegation Chair

1. Selection Meeting

- a. The Delegation Chair shall be the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party, which will be ratified by a quorum of the state's National Convention Delegates, at a meeting to be held on **June 1, 2024** immediately following the adjournment of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee Meeting. (Call IV.E & Call VII.B.1)
- b. All members of the delegation shall receive timely notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the Delegation Chair. (Rule 3.C)

2. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify the Delegation Chair in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. (Call IV.E)

C. Convention Pages

1. Five (5) individuals will be selected to serve as Michigan's Convention Pages by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party in consultation with the members of the Democratic National Committee from the state. This selection will take place on **June 1, 2024**. (Call IV.F.3, Appendix C & Reg. 5.7)
2. The Convention Pages shall be as evenly divided between men and women (determined by self-identification) as possible under the state allocation and

shall reflect as much as possible, the Affirmative Action and Outreach and Inclusion guidelines in the state plan. In the case of gender non-binary pages, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the pages shall be equally divided. (Reg. 5.7.A)

3. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify the individuals to serve as Michigan's Convention Pages in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the selection. (Call IV.F.3 & Reg. 5.7.B)

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Section 6
Presidential Electors

A. Introduction

Michigan will elect 15 persons to serve as Presidential Electors for the 2024 Presidential Election.

B. Selection of Presidential Electors

1. The Presidential Electors will be selected at the Michigan Democratic Party Fall convention to be held on **August 24th, 2024.**
2. Each congressional district shall select an elector in caucus at state convention. Two electors shall be selected by the state convention.
3. Requirements for elections
 - a. An elector must be a registered and qualified elector of the United States for at least one year, a citizen for at least 10 years, and a resident of the district and state they represent.
 - b. No Senator or Representative may hold this office.
 - c. An individual shall be considered ineligible to hold the office if they presently hold an office of trust or profit under the United States.
4. The person making the nomination in congressional district caucus, the elector, and anyone voting in the election of the elector must be a registered and qualified elector of the United States and meet the membership eligibility standards outlined in Article 3.1 of the Rules of the Michigan Democratic Party.

5. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify the names and addresses of those selected as electors to the Secretary of State by 4:00 pm on **August 26, 2024**.

C. Affirmation

1. Each candidate for Presidential Elector shall certify in writing that they will vote for the election of the Democratic Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees. (Call VIII)
2. In the selection of the Presidential Electors, all persons seeking nomination must be bona fide Democrats who are faithful to the interests, welfare, and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribe to the substance, intent and principles of the Charter and the Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States. Only those individuals who satisfy party membership requirements outlined in Article 3.1 of the Rules of the Michigan Democratic Party shall be eligible to stand for election as elector.
3. Michigan election law requires electors to cast their ballots for President and Vice President in accordance with the nominations made by their respective party. Refusal or failure to vote for the candidates for President and Vice President appearing on the Michigan ballot of the political party which nominated the elector constitutes a resignation from the office of elector, the vote shall not be recorded and the remaining electors shall forthwith fill the vacancy. The ballot used by the elector shall bear the name of the elector. If at the time of convening there is any vacancy caused by death, resignation, refusal or failure to vote, neglect to attend, or ineligibility of any person elected, or for any other cause, the qualified electors of President and Vice-President shall proceed to fill such vacancy by ballot, by a plurality of votes. When all the electors appear and the vacancy shall be filled, they shall proceed to perform the duties of such electors, as required by the constitution and laws of the United States. (MCL 168.47)

Section 7

General Provisions and Procedural Guarantees

- A. The Michigan Democratic Party reaffirms its commitment to an open party by incorporating the “six basic elements” as listed below. As our Party strives to progress in the fight against discrimination of all kinds, these six basic elements have evolved and grown along with the constant push for more inclusion and empowerment. These provisions demonstrate the intention of the Democratic Party to ensure a full opportunity for all minority group members to participate in the delegate selection process. (Rule 4.A, Rule 4.B & Rule 4.C)
1. All public meetings at all levels of the Michigan Democratic Party should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as “status”). (Rule 4.B.1)
 2. No test for membership in, nor any oaths of loyalty to, the Michigan Democratic Party should be required or used which has the effect of requiring prospective or current members of the Democratic Party to acquiesce in, condone or support discrimination based on “status.” (Rule 4.B.2)
 3. The time and place for all public meetings of the Michigan Democratic Party on all levels should be publicized fully and, in such manner, as to assure timely notice to all interested persons. Such meetings must be held in places accessible to all Party members and large enough to accommodate all interested persons. (Rule 4.B.3)
 4. The Michigan Democratic Party, on all levels, should support the broadest possible registration without discrimination based on “status.” (Rule 4.B.4)

5. The Michigan Democratic Party should publicize fully and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties a full description of the legal and practical procedures for selection of Democratic Party officers and representatives on all levels. Publication of these procedures should be done in such fashion that all prospective and current members of the Michigan Democratic Party will be fully and adequately informed of the pertinent procedures in time to participate in each selection procedure at all levels of the Democratic Party organization. As part of this, the Michigan Democratic Party should develop a strategy to provide education programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for registration, changing party affiliation deadlines, or lack of awareness of the process for running for delegate, to ensure all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation. (Rule 4.B.5)
 6. The Michigan Democratic Party should publicize fully and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties, a complete description of the legal and practical qualifications of all positions as officers and representatives of the Michigan Democratic Party. Such publication should be done in timely fashion so that all prospective candidates or applicants for any elected or appointed position within the Michigan Democratic Party will have full and adequate opportunity to compete for office. (Rule 4.B.6)
- B. Discrimination on the basis of “status” in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. (Rule 5.B)
 - C. Michigan’s delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and delegate women, and alternate men and alternate women, i.e. the number of men and women shall not vary by more than one. Such a goal applies to the entire delegation, which includes all pledged delegates and alternates and all automatic delegates. Delegates and alternates shall be considered separate groups for purposes of achieving equal division as determined by gender self-identification. In the case of gender non-binary delegates or alternates, they

shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided by gender identity. (Rule 6.C)

- D. All delegate and alternate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference at all levels which determine presidential preference. (Rule 13.A)
- E. No delegate at any level of the delegate selection process shall be mandated by law or Party rules to vote contrary to that person's presidential choice as expressed at the time the delegate is elected. (Rule 13.I)
- F. Delegates elected to the national convention pledged to a presidential candidate shall in all good conscience reflect the sentiments of those who elected them. (Rule 13.J)
- G. Each delegate, alternate and standing committee member must be a bona fide Democrat who is faithful to the interests, welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribes to the substance, intent and principles of the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, and who will participate in the Convention in good faith. (Rule 13.H, Call VII.A.4 & Reg. 4.25)
- H. 40% of the members of any Party body above the first level of the delegate selection process shall constitute a quorum for any business pertaining to the selection of National Convention delegates, alternates, standing committee members, and other official Convention participants. (Rule 16)
- I. An accredited participant in a caucus, convention or committee meeting, after having established credentials, may register a non-transferable proxy with (i.e., deliver a signed proxy to) another duly accredited participant at that meeting (except where an accredited alternate is present and eligible to serve as a replacement), provided that no individual may hold more than one (1) proxy at a time. (Rule 17 & Reg. 4.30)

- J. The unit rule, or any rule or practice whereby all members of a Party unit or delegation may be required to cast their votes in accordance with the will of a majority of the body, shall not be used at any stage of the delegate selection process. (Rule 18.A)

- K. Any individual or group of Democrats may sponsor or endorse a slate of candidates for convention delegates. But no slate may, by virtue of such endorsement, receive a preferential place on a delegate selection ballot or be publicly identified on the ballot as the official Democratic Party organization slate, and all slates must meet identical qualifying requirements for appearing on a ballot at all levels of the delegate selection process. (Rule 18.B)

- L. All steps in the delegate selection process, except the filing of presidential candidates as allowed by rule 15.D, must take place within the calendar year of the Democratic National Convention, except with respect to the implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Programs or as otherwise allowed. (Rule 1.F & Rule 12.B)

- M. In electing and certifying delegates and alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention, the Michigan Democratic Party hereby undertakes to assure all Democratic voters in Michigan, a full, timely and equal opportunity to participate in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs and to implement affirmative action and outreach and inclusion plans toward that end; that the delegates and alternates to the Convention shall be selected in accordance with the Delegate Selection Rules for the 2024 Democratic National Convention; and that the delegates certified will not publicly support or campaign for any candidate for President or Vice President other than the nominees of the Democratic National Convention. (Call II.B)

Section 8

Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program

A. Statement of Purpose and Organization

1. Purpose and Objectives

- a. To make sure that the Democratic Party at all levels be an open Party which includes rather than excludes people from participation, a program of effective affirmative action is hereby adopted by Michigan. (Rule 5.A)
- b. Discrimination on the basis of "status" in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. (Rule 5.B)
- c. All public meetings at all levels of the Democratic Party in Michigan should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as "status"). (Rule 4.B.1)
- d. Consistent with the Democratic Party's commitment to including groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party's affairs, by virtue of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or disability, Michigan has established goals for these groups. (Rule 5.C & Reg. 4.8)
- e. To encourage full participation by all Democrats in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs, the State Democratic Party has adopted and will implement programs with specific goals and timetables for African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders, Arab Americans, and women. To further encourage full participation in the process, the State Party has established goals and timetables for other underrepresented groups,

including the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, and youth.
(Rule 6.A & Rule 7)

- i. The goal of the programs shall be to encourage participation in the delegate selection process and in Party organizations at all levels by the aforementioned groups as indicated by their presence in the Democratic electorate. (Rule 6.A.1)
- ii. For the delegate selection process, “Youth” is defined as any participant younger than 36 years old at the time of election. (Reg. 5.3.A)
- iii. For the delegate selection process, individuals identifying as Native Americans should provide their tribal affiliation and indicate if they are enrolled in a tribe. (Reg. 5.3.B)
- iv. These goals shall not be accomplished either directly or indirectly by the Party’s imposition of mandatory quotas at any level of the delegate selection process or in any other Party affairs. (Rule 6.A.2)

2. Organizational Structure

- a. An Affirmative Action Committee shall be appointed by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party no later than **March 1, 2023**. (Rule 6.F)
- b. The Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party shall certify in writing to the Rules and Bylaws Committee of the Democratic National Committee the compliance of the State’s Affirmative Action Committee with Rules 5.C, 6.A and 7, and submit the names, demographic data and contact information of the members no later than 15 days after their appointment. (Reg. 2.2.J)
- c. The Committee shall consist of members who are regionally diverse and represent the Democratic constituency groups set forth in the

Introduction to the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program.

- d. The Affirmative Action Committee shall be responsible for:
- i. Helping develop and design the proposed Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and making recommendations to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party. (Rule 6.F)
 - ii. Directing the implementation of all requirements of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan.
 - iii. Implementing a specific outreach and financial assistance program for persons of low and moderate income to encourage their participation and representation in the national convention delegation. (Rule 6.G)
 - iv. Ensuring, on behalf of the State Party Committee, that district lines used in the delegate selection process are not gerrymandered to discriminate against African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and women. (Rule 6.E)
- e. Financial and staff support for the Affirmative Action Committee shall be provided by the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee to the greatest extent feasible, including, but not limited to, making the State Party staff and volunteers available on a priority basis and covering all reasonable costs incurred in carrying out this Plan.
- f. Implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program shall begin on **September 13, 2023**, with the

distribution of the press kits, and will continue through the end of the delegate selection process. (Rule 1.F)

B. Representation Goals

1. In cooperation with the National Committee, the Michigan Democratic Party has determined the demographic composition of African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders, and Arab Americans in the state's Democratic electorate. These constituency percentages shall be established as goals for representation in the state's convention delegation. (Rule 6.A)
2. In cooperation with the National Committee, the State Party has determined the demographic composition of members of the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, and youth in the state's Democratic electorate. The State Party has chosen to establish these percentages as goals for representation in the state's convention delegation. (Rule 7 & Reg. 4.8.C.iii)
3. The Michigan Democratic Party received from the DNC Tech Team a memo on the Demographics of Democratic Supporters in Michigan that provides estimates on the demographic composition of the state's Democratic electorate. In addition to this document, the Michigan Democratic Party used data from the Michigan Voter File, the 2021 American Community Survey (ACS) datasets, information from the Arab American Institute, Equality Michigan, Disability Rights Michigan, and the Delegate Selection Plan for the 2020 National Convention from Michigan.

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	African American	Arab American	Hispanic	Native American	APIA	LGBT	Persons with Disabilities	Youth (18-35)
% in the Democratic Electorate	31%	8%	7%	6%	4%	9%	12%	29%
Goals for Delegates	46	12	10	9	6	13	18	43

4. When selecting the at-large portion of the delegation, the demographic composition of the other delegates (district-level, pledged PLEO, and Automatic) shall be compared with the Michigan Democratic Party’s representation goals to achieve an at-large selection process that helps to bring about a representative balance. (Rule 11.A)

5. Although the selection of the at-large delegation may be used to fulfill the affirmative action goals established by this Plan, the Michigan Democratic Party will conduct outreach and inclusion activities such as recruitment, education and training at all levels of the delegate selection process. (Rule 6.A.3)

C. Efforts to Educate on the Delegate Selection Process

1. Well-publicized educational workshops will be conducted in each of the delegate districts beginning in September 2023. These workshops will be designed to encourage participation in the delegate selection process, including apprising potential delegate and alternate candidates of the availability of financial assistance. These workshops will be held in places that are easily accessible to persons with disabilities. The times, dates, places and rules for the conduct of all education workshops, meetings and other events involved in the delegate selection process shall be effectively publicized by the party organization. (Rule 3.A, Rule 3.C & Rule 3.D)

2. A speakers bureau of volunteers from the Michigan Democratic Party, including the Affirmative Action Committee, shall be comprised of individuals who are fully familiar with the process and will be available to appear before groups, as needed, to provide information concerning the process.
3. The Michigan Democratic Party's education efforts will include outreach to community leaders within the Democratic Party's constituencies and ensuring that information about the delegate selection process is available to Democratic clubs and Party caucuses representing specific constituencies.
4. The Michigan Democratic Party will publish, and make available at no cost, a clear and concise explanation of how Democratic voters can participate in the delegate selection process. As well, the Michigan Democratic Party shall also make available copies of the State Party Rules, the Delegate Selection Plan (and its attachments), the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program, and relevant state statutes at no cost. Copies of documents related to the state's delegate selection process will be prepared and the Michigan Democratic Party and Affirmative Action Committee will distribute them in the various delegate districts not later than **September 13, 2023**. (Rule 1.H)
5. Participation in the delegate selection process shall be open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats. Democratic voters shall be those persons who publicly declare their Party preference and have that preference publicly recorded. (Rule 2.A)
6. The Michigan Democratic Party shall take all feasible steps to encourage non-affiliated voters and new voters to register or enroll, to provide simple procedures through which they may do so and to eliminate excessively long waiting periods for voters who wish to register or to change their party enrollment status. (Rule 2.C)
7. The Affirmative Action Committee will develop a State Party strategy to be implemented beginning **September 13, 2023** that will provide education programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for

voter registration and deadlines for changing party affiliation, or who are unaware of the process for running for delegate, so that all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation. (Rule 4.B.5)

D. Efforts to Publicize the Delegate Selection Process

1. The Michigan Democratic Party shall direct special attention to publicizing the delegate selection process in the state. Such publicity shall include information on eligibility to vote and how to become a candidate for delegate, the time and location of each stage of the delegate selection process, and where to get additional information. The foregoing information will also be published in the Michigan Democratic Party communications and on the Michigan Democratic Party's website. The Party organization, official, candidate, or member calling a meeting or scheduling an event, shall effectively publicize the role that such meeting or event plays in the selection of delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention. (Rule 3.C & Rule 3.D)
2. The Michigan Democratic Party shall have a Delegate Selection Media Plan for using all available and appropriate resources, such as social media, websites, newspapers, radio and television, to inform the general public how, when and where to participate in the delegate selection process. Specifically, the Delegate Selection Media Plan will provide details as to how to qualify to run as a delegate candidate. Regular updates should be posted/released throughout the state's delegate selection process to ensure broad and timely coverage and awareness about the process to all interested persons. (Rule 4.B.3 & Rule 6.D)
3. A priority effort, as described in the Delegate Selection Media Plan, shall be directed at publicity among the Democratic Party's constituencies.
 - a. Information about the delegate selection process will be posted on and made available to social and specialty media directed toward the

Democratic constituency groups set forth in the introduction of this Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program.

- b. The Michigan Democratic Party shall be responsible for the implementation of this publicity effort. For purposes of providing adequate notice of the delegate selection process, the times, dates, places and rules for the conduct of caucuses, conventions, and meetings shall be effectively publicized to encourage the participation of minority groups. Parties will make a good faith effort to publicize this information in an accessible manner and multilingually where necessary. (Rule 6.D)
4. Not later than **September 13, 2023**, the State Party will make information about the delegate selection process available on its website and publicize the resource through press releases and communications to Party leaders, activists and targeted constituencies. Information to be posted on the website will include:
 - a. Materials designed to encourage participation and inform prospective delegate candidates;
 - b. A summary explaining the role of the 2024 Convention in nominating the Party's Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates and adopting the National Platform;
 - c. A summary of the Michigan Democratic Party's delegate selection process including all pertinent rules, dates, and filing requirements related to the process;
 - d. A map of delegate districts and how many delegates will be elected within each district, along with filing forms or information on how to obtain the filing forms.

E. Obligations of Presidential Candidates to Maximize Participation

1. Presidential candidates shall assist the Michigan Democratic Party in meeting the demographic representation goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. (Rule 6.H)
2. Each presidential candidate must submit a written statement to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party by **November 1, 2023** which indicates the specific steps they will take to encourage full participation by their supporters in Michigan's delegate selection process, including, but not limited to, procedures by which persons may file as candidates for delegate or alternate pledged to the presidential candidate. (Rule 6.H.1)
3. Each presidential candidate must submit demographic information with respect to all candidates for delegate and alternate pledged to them. Such information shall be submitted in conjunction with the list of names approved for consideration as delegate and alternate candidates pledged to the presidential candidate. (Rule 6.H.2)
4. Presidential candidates shall use their best effort to ensure that their respective delegates, alternates and standing committee members shall achieve the affirmative action goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and that the number of men and the number of women in their respective delegations shall not differ by more than one (as determined by gender self-identification). Furthermore, presidential candidates shall use their best efforts at the district level to approve delegate, alternate, and standing committee candidates who meet applicable equal division and affirmative action considerations to promote and achieve the state's affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals and equal division for their respective delegations. (Rule 6.C., Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10)

F. Outreach and Inclusion Program

1. The Michigan Democratic Party is committed to help achieve full participation of those groups of Americans who have historically been explicitly denied the

right to vote or who have been subjected to discriminatory and exclusionary practices that have denied them voting rights and full participation in the delegate selection process and other Party meetings, events and elections, along with other groups of Americans who are also underrepresented in Party affairs.

2. As such, the Michigan Democratic Party has developed outreach and inclusion programs and is committed to fully implementing the programs so that all persons who wish to participate as Democrats understand they are welcome and encouraged to be a part of the delegate selection process and in the Party at the local, state and national levels.
3. The Michigan Democratic Party will make reasonable accommodations to facilitate greater participation by people with disabilities. These efforts will include but are not limited to:
 - a. Ensuring that all locations for caucuses, conventions, and meetings related to the delegate selection process are ADA accessible.
 - b. Engaging activists in the disability community through representatives on the Affirmative Action Committee and educating them on the delegate selection process.
 - c. Engaging disability leaders within the Party through the Michigan Democratic Party's Disability Caucus.
4. In addition to the education, publicity and other steps described above, the Party will engage with Michigan Democratic Party caucuses and clubs to ensure wide participation in the delegate selection process. These include:
 - Arab American Democrats
 - Anishinaabek Caucus
 - Asian/Pacific American (APA) Caucus
 - Bangladeshi American Democratic Caucus
 - Disability Caucus

- Hispanic/Latino Caucus
- Justice Caucus
- Michigan Democratic Cannabis Caucus
- Michigan Democratic Small Business Caucus
- Michigan Democratic Rural Caucus
- Michigan Environmental/Energy Caucus
- Michigan Grassroots Caucus
- Michigan Democratic LGBT & Allies Caucus
- Michigan Democratic Party Black Caucus
- Michigan Democratic Party Faith Caucus
- Michigan Democratic Party Veteran's Caucus
- Michigan Democratic Jewish Caucus
- Michigan Democratic Women's Caucus
- Michigan Federation of College Democrats
- Indian Democratic Caucus
- Pakistani American Caucus
- Progressive Caucus
- Senior Caucus
- Young Democrats of Michigan
- Michigan High School Democrats
- Yemeni American Democratic Caucus

Section 9
Challenges

A. Jurisdiction and Standing

1. Challenges related to the delegate selection process are governed by the *Regulations of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (Reg. Sec. 3), and the *“Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2024 Democratic National Convention.”* (Call Appendix A)
2. Under Rule 21.B. of the *2024 Delegate Selection Rules*, the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction over challenges pertaining to the submission, non-implementation and violation of State Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. (Rule 21.B & Call Appendix A)
3. The Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction to hear and decide any challenge provided it is initiated before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the 2024 Democratic National Convention. (Call Appendix A & Reg. 3.1)
4. Challenges to the credentials of delegates and alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention initiated on or after the 56th day preceding the date of commencement of the Democratic National Convention shall be processed in accordance with the *“Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2024 Democratic National Convention.”* (Call Appendix A)
5. Any challenge to the credentials of a standing committee member shall be considered and resolved by the affected standing committee in accordance with Appendix A of the *Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention*. The Rules and Bylaws Committee shall have jurisdiction over challenges brought before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the

Democratic National Convention. (Call VII.B.5)

6. Copies of the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee and/or the Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention, including the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee (Appendix A), shall be made available by the State Party upon reasonable request.
7. Any group of 15 Democrats with standing to challenge as defined in Reg. 3.2 or the Call (Appendix A, Sec. 2.A), may bring a challenge to this Plan or to the implementation of this Plan, including its Affirmative Action provisions.

B. Challenges to the Status of the State Party and Challenges to the Plan

1. A challenge to the status of the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee as the body entitled to sponsor a delegation from that State shall be filed with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 30 calendar days prior to the initiation of the state's delegate selection process. (Rule 21.A & Reg. 3.4.A)
2. A challenge to the state's Delegate Selection Plan shall be filed with the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party and the Co-Chairs of the Rules and Bylaws Committee within 15 calendar days after the adoption of the Plan by the State Party. (Reg. 3.4.B)
3. A challenge to a Plan must be brought in conformity with the Rules and the RBC Regulations, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.

C. Challenges to Implementation

1. A challenge may be brought alleging that a specific requirement of an approved Plan has not been properly implemented. Jurisdiction over all challenges initiated in a timely fashion shall reside with either the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Credentials Committee of the National Convention

(See Section VII.A. above). However, the Rules and Bylaws Committee may provide advice, assistance or interpretations of the Delegate Selection Rules at any stage of the delegate selection process. (Reg. 3.1.C)

2. An implementation challenge brought before the Rules and Bylaws Committee is initiated by filing a written challenge with the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee and with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 15 days after the alleged violation occurred. The Michigan Democratic Party has 21 days to render a decision. Within ten (10) days of the decision, any party to the challenge may appeal it to the Rules and Bylaws Committee. If in fact, the Michigan Democratic Party renders no decision, any party to the challenge may request the Rules and Bylaws Committee to process it. The request must be made within ten (10) days after expiration of the above 21-day period. (Reg. 3.4.C, Reg. 3.4.E & Reg. 3.4.H)
3. Performance under an approved Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and composition of the convention delegation shall be considered relevant evidence in the challenge to any state delegation. If a State Party has adopted and implemented an approved affirmative action program, the State Party shall not be subject to challenge based solely on delegation composition or primary results. (Rule 6.B) The procedures are the same for challenges alleging failure to properly implement the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Programs of a Plan, except that such challenges must be filed not later than 30 days prior to the initiation of the state's delegate selection process. (Reg. 3.4.C)
4. Depending on the appropriate jurisdiction, implementation challenges must be brought in conformity with the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.

Section 10
Summary of the Plan

A. Selection of Delegates and Alternates

Michigan will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the **February 27th, 2024** government-run Presidential Primary for apportioning its delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention.

The “first determining step” of Michigan’s delegate selection process will occur on **February 27th, 2024**, with a government-run Presidential Primary.

Delegates and alternates will be selected as summarized on the following chart:

Type	Delegates	Alternates	Date of Selection	Selecting Body
				Filing Requirements and Deadlines
District-Level Delegates	77	0	May 11th, 2024	Selecting Body: Congressional District Conventions An individual can qualify as a candidate for district-level delegate by joining the Michigan Democratic Party and by filing a statement of candidacy designating his or her singular presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate with the Michigan Democratic Party by 5:00 pm on April 11, 2024 at 606 Townsend, Lansing, MI 48933.

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Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates*	22	0	n/a	Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 9.A. of the 2024 Delegate Selection Rules.
Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEOs)	15	0	June 1st, 2024	Selecting Body: Michigan Democratic State Central Committee
				An individual can qualify as a candidate for a position as a pledged PLEO delegate by joining the Michigan Democratic Party and by filing a statement of candidacy designating his or her singular presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate with the Michigan Democratic Party by 5:00 pm on May 6, 2024 at 606 Townsend, Lansing, MI 48933.
At-Large Delegates At-Large Alternates	25	10	June 1st, 2024	Selecting Body: Michigan Democratic State Central Committee
				Individuals desiring to seek at-large delegate or alternate positions can qualify by joining the Michigan Democratic Party and by filing a statement of candidacy designating his or her singular presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate with the Michigan Democratic Party by 5:00 pm

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				on May 6, 2024 at 606 Townsend, Lansing, MI 48933.
TOTAL Delegates and Alternates	139	10		

B. Selection of Standing Committee Members

Standing committee members will be selected for each of the three (3) national standing committees (Credentials, Platform, and Rules) by Michigan’s National Convention delegates as summarized below.

Members Per Committee	Total Members	Selection Date	Filing Requirements and Deadlines
5	15	June 1, 2024	Each presidential candidate, or that candidate’s authorized representative(s), must submit to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party by 5:00 PM June 11, 2024 at least one (1) name for each committee slot.

Selection of temporary members to the Platform committee is summarized below.

Members Per Committee	Total Members	Selection Date	Filing Requirements and Deadlines
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5	5	Meeting to be held in Q1 of 2024	Person's wishing to be considered must submit an application with their name, address, phone number, email, and Presidential preference to MIDemParty@michigandems.com by 5 PM February 29th, 2024.
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C. Selection of Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

The Delegation Chair will be ratified by a quorum of Michigan's National Convention Delegates on June 1, 2024.

Five (5) Convention Pages will be selected by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party on June 1, 2024.

D. Selection of Presidential Electors

15 Presidential Electors will be selected by delegates at the Michigan Democratic Party Fall Convention on **August 24, 2024.**

E. Presidential Candidate Filing Deadline

A presidential candidate is eligible to participate in the **February 27, 2024** government-run Presidential Primary by either being identified by the Secretary of State as a known candidate or by having the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party confirm with the Secretary of State that they are a candidate, pursuant to MCL 168.614a. Candidates not recognized by the Chair of the Democratic Party or Secretary of State may file a nominating petition with the Secretary of State no later than **4 PM December 8, 2023.** The nominating petition shall contain no less than 14,020 signatures,

Presidential candidates must certify the name of their authorized representative(s) to the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party by **November 1, 2023**.

F. Timetable

Date	Activity
2023	
March 1	Delegate Selection Affirmative Action Committee members are appointed by the Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party.
March 1	List of Affirmative Action Committee members submitted to DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee.
March 30	Draft Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan posted for public comment. Press release announcing public comment period issued.
April 29	Period for public comment on Michigan Plan is concluded. Responses are compiled for review by the Michigan Democratic Party.
April 29	Michigan Democratic State Central Committee reviews public comments and adopts revised Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program for submission to DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee. Press releases are mailed announcing the approval of the Plan.
May 3	Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program is forwarded to the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee.

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September 13	Michigan Democratic Party begins implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. Press kits, as described in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program, are sent to all state media.
November 1	Deadline for each announced presidential candidate to certify name(s) of authorized representatives. Deadline for each announced presidential candidate to submit a statement specifying steps the candidate will take to encourage full participation in the delegate selection process. (Individuals who announce their candidacy after this date must provide this full participation statement to the Michigan Democratic Party not later than 30 days after their announcement.)
December 8	Nominating petition signatures for candidates not otherwise granted ballot access due to the Secretary of State by 4 PM
2024	
January 2	Delegate and alternate candidates may obtain the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms and filing instructions from Michigan Democratic Party headquarters, in person, by mail, or from web site at michigandems.com.
February 27	Presidential Primary
April 5	Michigan Democratic Party notifies district chair of presidential preference allocation for district-level delegates
April 11	District-level delegate deadline for filing the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms with the Michigan Democratic Party.
April 15	Michigan Democratic Party provides a list of district-level delegate candidates to the respective Presidential candidates.

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April 22	Presidential candidates provide a list of approved district-level delegate candidates to the Michigan Democratic Party.
May 6	Pledged PLEO and at-large delegate or alternate candidate deadline for filing the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms with Michigan Democratic Party.
May 7	Michigan Party provides a list of PLEO and at-large delegate and alternate candidates to the respective Presidential candidates.
May 11	Spring Convention and District conventions held to elect district-level delegates.
May 21	State Party certifies elected district-level delegates to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee.
May 14	Presidential candidates provide approved list of pledged PLEO delegate candidates to Michigan Democratic Party.
June 1	Michigan Democratic State Central Committee meeting. Selection of PLEO, at-large, and alternate delegates selected.
June 1	National Convention delegation meeting. Delegates select National Convention Standing Committee Members and Delegation Chair. Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party names convention pages.
June 11	Chair of Michigan Democratic Party certifies in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the remainder of the state's delegate and alternates (PLEO and At-Large) as well as the State's Delegation Chair, Convention Pages and Standing Committee Members.
June 11	Michigan Democratic Party certifies in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference of the state's Automatic Delegates.