

RESOLUTION NO. 1

AMENDING ARTICLE III – ELECTIONS, OF THE HGEA BYLAWS

WHEREAS, the organization’s vision is “HGEA is a thriving organization with high membership involvement, respected in the community and dedicated to improving the lives of all people”; and

WHEREAS, a primary function of the Committee on Elections is to make recommendations to encourage members to vote and to encourage active members to seek union elective offices; and

WHEREAS, it is difficult for candidates in smaller units to garner the current 25 signatures required especially in supervisory units where members are disbursed; and

WHEREAS, candidates for most state elected positions require a minimum of 15 valid signatures; and

WHEREAS, electronic or digital format is now an acceptable means of signature; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED that the HGEA Bylaws, ARTICLE III – Elections be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE III – ELECTIONS

Section 5. Nominations. Nominations for president and directors shall be in writing on forms provided by the board, signed by at least ~~[twenty five]~~ **fifteen (15)** active members in good standing and delivered to the executive director at least sixty days before the election date.

For the corporation’s president, the signatures shall be of active members. For the respective directors’ offices of the geographical jurisdictions of Oahu, Kauai, Maui-Molokai-Lanai and Hawaii, the signatures shall be from the active members from the respective geographical jurisdiction. For the respective directors’ offices of each collective bargaining unit exclusively represented by HGEA/AFSCME Local 152, the signatures shall be from the active members from the respective collective bargaining unit. **Signatures obtained electronically are considered valid.**

SUBMITTED BY: HGEA State Committee on Elections

Charter, Bylaws and Resolutions Committee recommends adoption Yes ☒ No ☐

General Assembly adoption Yes ☐ No ☐