

RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING THE ADMINISTRATION AND CONTROL OF THE LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN FUND OF THE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS OF THE OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code § 3517.10(D)(3)(d) requires that a state political party only have one Legislative Campaign Fund for each house of the general assembly; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code § 3517.01(C)(15) defines a "Legislative Campaign Fund" as "a fund that is established as an auxiliary of a state political party and associated with one of the houses of the general assembly"; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code § 3517.10(D)(3)(d) requires that the administration and control of a Legislative Campaign Fund shall be designated by the members of the same political party of each house of the general assembly, plus the chairperson of the state political party with which the caucus is associated, or the chairperson's designee; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code § 3517.10(D)(3)(d), the Republican Caucus of the Ohio House of Representatives wishes to designate the manner in which the Caucus' Legislative Campaign Fund (the "LCF") shall be "administered and controlled" for the remaining portion of the 135th General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, on April 5, 2024, Representative Phil Plummer, in his capacity as the duly authorized Chair of the LCF, sent notice via electronic mail to every member of the Caucus, including the chairperson of the Ohio Republican Party, Alex Triantafilou, of a meeting of the Caucus to designate the manner in which the LCF shall be administered and controlled hereafter.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS OF THE OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE OHIO REPUBLICAN PARTY, that the LCF shall be administered and controlled as follows:

1. Representative Phil Plummer is the Chair of the LCF.
2. In his capacity as the Chair of the LCF, Representative Plummer has the sole authority and discretion to do all of the following:
 - a. Designate the LCF's treasurer and deputy treasurer.
 - b. File a new designation of treasurer renaming the LCF as the Ohio House Republican Organization ("OHRO").
 - c. Direct, hire, and dismiss any current or future employees of the LCF, if any, and to take all necessary employment related actions regarding employees of the LCF.
 - d. Enter into and/or terminate any existing or future contracts and other agreements on behalf of the LCF.
 - e. Direct the performance of services of all existing and future vendors and contractors of the LCF.
 - f. Initiate litigation, and/or defend against litigation, on behalf of the LCF.
 - g. Take custody (or his designee on his behalf, take custody) of all physical assets of

the entity known presently as the Ohio House Republican Alliance ("OHRA") and direct their use, and/or dispose of them, in compliance with all applicable laws.

- h. Take custody (or his designee on his behalf, take custody) of any intellectual property assets of the LCF or OHRA, including but not limited to, any fundraising or campaign contact lists.
 - i. Receive, disburse, and manage all current and future funds of the LCF in compliance with all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, all funds presently held in any bank account owned in the name of the "Ohio House Republican Alliance" or any subsequent name utilized by the LCF.
 - j. Immediately contact Winterset CPA Group, Inc., and request that they turn over to Representative Plummer all records of the LCF and OHRA in their possession.
 - k. Immediately contact any legal counsel currently retained by the LCF and/or OHRA and inform them of this Resolution, and how Representative Plummer is the organizational constituent that attorneys and other licensed professionals representing the LCF shall report to and take direction from.
3. In the event any third-party, contractor or vendor refuses to comply with the terms of this Resolution, Representative Plummer is authorized to establish any number of additional new bank accounts for the LCF and, if deemed necessary by Representative Plummer, to file a new designation of treasurer renaming the LCF to the Ohio House Republican Organization ("OHRO"), to serve as the official LCF for the Republican Caucus of the Ohio House of Representatives.
4. All enumerated authority pursuant to this Resolution shall apply to both the LCF and the LCF's building fund, including OHRA and OHRA's building fund.
5. Representative Plummer's designation as Chair of the LCF is applicable to OHRA and any other name to which the LCF may in the future conduct business, subject to the time limitation in No. 6 below.
6. The Caucus' appointment of Representative Plummer as Chair of the LCF shall expire at the conclusion of the 135th Ohio General Assembly.
7. Copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to all members of the Republican Caucus of the Ohio House of Representatives, Alex Triantafilou, as Chairperson of the Ohio Republican Party, and the Honorable Frank LaRose, Secretary of State.

THE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS OF THE
OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

By:



Marilyn John, Clerk