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| Vacancies in Statewide Offices |

Whereas MAPE’s Statewide Officers consist of President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary,

Whereas candidates for and incumbents in any elective or appointed position must not hold more than one office,

Whereas vacancies in Statewide Officer positions are unavoidable,

Whereas when vacancies occur some Statewide Officers are required to perform the duties of multiple offices,

Whereas when vacancies occur a special election is usually required,

Whereas special elections are costly and time-consuming,

Therefore, be it resolved that a vacancy in either the Treasurer or Secretary shall allow for an interim combined Treasurer/Secretary office.

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(Underscoring denotes wording inserted (inserted wording), and strike-through denotes wording deleted (~~deleted wording~~).

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| What is being amended?  | Resulting Language |
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