October 3, 2016 MW16-011 To: MW Council Members From: MW Governing Documents Committee Subject: Revision of MW By-Laws 5.3.2 Nomination

Background

Recently, the Northwest Region has approved a change in their by-laws to move the deadline for submitting a petition for a Council Representative position from the first Wednesday in April to the last Wednesday of March. There has been a request for the Midwest Council to make the same change to their by-laws to ease the application process, to make advertising the deadline easier, and to give staff adequate time to process and prepare the election ballots.

Motion

It is moved that: THE MIDWEST COUNCIL APPROVE THE REVISION OF THE BY-LAWS 5.3.2 NOMINATION

5.3.2. Nomination

Any regular member of the Midwest Region, with continuous membership during the 12 months prior, may file a petition for a Council Representative position with the Midwest Regional Tellers Committee on or before the first last Wednesday in April March of odd-numbered years. The petition shall include the endorsements of a minimum of fifteen regular members in the council district and be signed by the candidate. The Midwest Regional Tellers shall validate the petition signatures for membership and district location. The Midwest Regional Tellers may determine the number of endorsements of regular members in small membership districts.