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## September 26th, 2025 \*\*\*FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE\*\*\* Libertarian Party of Maine Executive Committee

## Resolution of the Libertarian Party of Maine Opposing the Libertarian National Committee's Selective Censure of the Libertarian Party of New Hampshire

**WHEREAS**, the Libertarian Party of Maine (LPME) is a chartered state affiliate of the Libertarian Party (LP), committed to upholding the Statement of Principles and the nonaggression principle as outlined in the LP Bylaws (Article 2); and

WHEREAS, the Libertarian National Committee (LNC) has proposed a motion to censure the Libertarian Party of New Hampshire (LPNH) for its social media activities, which the LNC claims are inconsistent with party standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the LNC has selectively targeted LPNH while failing to pursue similar censure actions against other state affiliates whose public communications promote ideologies, such as Marxism and "group rights", that are fundamentally incompatible with the Libertarian Party's principles of individual liberty, free markets, and limited government; and

WHEREAS, this inconsistent application of censure undermines the LNC's credibility and fairness, as all affiliates must be held to the same standards under the LP Bylaws to ensure adherence to the Statement of Principles; and

**WHEREAS**, the LPME recognizes the autonomy of state affiliates under Article 8 of the LP Bylaws, which grants affiliates the right to govern their internal affairs, including public communications, provided they adhere to the party's core principles; and

WHEREAS, while LPME does not necessarily endorse the messaging strategy employed by LPNH on its social media platforms, we affirm the right of state affiliates to express their views within the bounds of the LP Statement of Principles; and

**WHEREAS**, the LNC's selective focus on LPNH appears driven by internal factional disputes, detracting from the unity and mission of advancing libertarian values; and

WHEREAS, the LNC's prioritization of this censure motion diverts resources from critical party objectives, including membership growth, candidate support, fundraising, and ballot access; And

**WHEREAS**, such selective and unproductive disputes risk alienating affiliates and members who seek a unified effort to advance liberty;

## **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Libertarian Party of Maine:

- 1. **Opposes** the LNC's motion to censure the Libertarian Party of New Hampshire, as it reflects selective enforcement, infringes on affiliate autonomy under Article 8, and fails to address substantive violations of party principles;
- 2. **Condemns** the LNC's inconsistent standards in targeting LPNH while ignoring affiliates whose communications promote non-libertarian ideologies, urging uniform application of the LP Bylaws and Statement of Principles;
- 3. Calls upon the LNC to withdraw the censure motion against LPNH and refocus its efforts on pressing party priorities, such as increasing voter outreach, supporting state affiliates in ballot access efforts, fundraising, and fostering unity among libertarians;
- 4. **Encourages** all state affiliates to join LPME in demanding fair and consistent LNC oversight, prioritizing liberty over internal conflicts;
- 5. **Directs** the LPME Chair and communications team to transmit this resolution to the LNC and to publish it on all Libertarian Party of Maine's platforms to foster dialogue and solidarity.

Adopted this 26th day of September, 2025, by the Executive Committee of the Libertarian Party of Maine.