

## **RESOLUTION** 2021-13

## **Proposed Bylaw Amendment**

**WHEREAS,** La Plata Electric Association, Inc. (LPEA), in accordance with Article XV of its Bylaws, may have its Board of Directors (Board) amend its Bylaws "to comply with laws, rules and/or regulations affecting the cooperative that may be in effect or become effective in the future"; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments to LPEA's Bylaws contained herein were posted on the cooperative's website more than thirty days before this resolution was voted on as required by Article XV of the Bylaws; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board wishes to adopt the following amendments to LPEA's Bylaws to conform to Colorado's Civil Union laws.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board hereby adopts the following amendment to LPEA's Bylaws (new text in **BOLD**):

Article I, Section 1:

A married couple **or partners in a civil union**, as defined by Colorado state law, may jointly become a member and their application for a joint membership may be accepted in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this section provided the married couple **or partners in a civil union** comply jointly with the provisions of the above subdivisions a and b.

Article I, Section 6 (b):

When a membership is held jointly by a married couple **or partners in a civil union**, upon the death of either, such membership shall be deemed to be held solely by the survivor with the same effect as though such membership has been originally issued solely to the survivor, provided, however, that the estate of the deceased shall not be released from any membership debts or liabilities to the cooperative.



Article II, Section 5:

If a married couple **or partners in a civil union** hold a joint membership, they shall jointly be entitled to one (1) vote and no more upon each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members. The spouse **or civil partner** of a member may vote or petition in place of and instead of the member.

I, Dan Huntington, Secretary of La Plata Electric Association, Inc., do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of La Plata Electric Association, Inc., at a regular meeting held in Durango, Colorado, on September 15, 2021, at which meeting a quorum of directors was present and voting.

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Dan Huntington, Secretary

Dated at Durango, Colorado this 15th day of September 2021