# PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES CFWC CONVENTION, 2024

In addition to any amendments that are adopted at the 2024 convention, the 2024 Bylaws, when published may contain several editorial changes. Editorial changes are changes that do not affect either the meaning or the application of the Bylaws, and therefore do not require a vote by the membership. Usually, these are changes that are necessitated by an amendment to the Bylaws or a change in terminology. For example, following the insertion of new sections or item, the remaining items will be renumbered as necessary. In addition, the document will be proofread for punctuation and spelling errors before publication.

### ARTICLE IV MEMBERS

Section 4.2 Termination of Membership

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
NEW	Members whose activities and purposes	Members whose activities and purposes
	have been proven to be incompatible with	have been proven to be incompatible with
	those of CFWC shall be removed from	those of CFWC shall be removed from
	membership by a two-thirds vote of the	membership by a two-thirds vote of the
	club.	club.

Rationale: Compliance with GFWC bylaws.

### **ARTICLE XII COMMITTEES**

Section12.6.B

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
An allowance is given to committee	Covered by Standing Rule #28	
members when they are called to meet.		

Rationale: This was sent back to Committee at Convention 2023. Research found this is covered by SR28

#### **Article V1 OFFICERS & DUTIES**

Section 6.1 The officers of the CFWC shall be:

Section 6.1.A

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED TO READ
Elected: President, First Vice President,	<b>DELETING</b> : AND FOUR AREA VICE	ELECTED: President, First Vice
Second Vice President, Recording	PRESIDENTS	President, Second Vice President,
Secretary, Director of Finance, Treasurer,		Recording Secretary, Director of Finance,
Financial Secretary, and Four Area Vice		Treasurer, and Financial Secretary
Presidents		

Rationale: The District Membership Chairmen should be the committee serving under the CFWC 2<sup>nd</sup> VP of Membership just as the District Presidents serve as a committee to the President and Deans to the CWFC 1<sup>st</sup> VP.

#### **STANDING RULE 51**

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED TO READ
51. Complimentary copies of the	<b>INSERTING:</b> printed following complimentary	Complimentary printed copies of the
California Clubwoman shall be sent to	INSERTING: Past CFWC Junior Directors	California Clubwoman shall be provided
A. Past CFWC Presidents	following Presidents and	to:
B. Members of the Executive	<b>DELETING</b> : D. All CFWC Presidents shall	A. Past CFWC Presidents and Past
Committee	receive a hard copy	CFWC Junior Directors;
C. California State Library, and as	INSERTING: All CFWC clubs to the club	B. Members of the CFWC Executive
directed by the President to other	mailing address on record.	Committee;
libraries in the State of California and	INSERTING: All CFWC clubs sent to the	C. All CFWC clubs (to the mailing
its advertisers	mailing address on record	address on record);
D. All CFWC Club Presidents shall	<b>INSERTING</b> : D. Businesses or entities that	D. Businesses or entities that currently
receive a hard Copy	currently advertise in the magazine;	advertise in the magazine;
F. Past CFWC Junior Directors	INSERTING: The California State Library	E. The California State Library and, as
	and, as direc1ted by CFWC President to	directed by the CFWC President, to
	other libraries in the State of California	other libraries in the State of
	INSERTING: Print subscriptions of the	California.
	California Clubwoman for members not	Print subscriptions of California
	listed above shall be \$20.00 per year.	Clubwoman for members not listed above
		shall be \$20.00 per year.

Rationale: Clarification. (Submitted by the CFWC Communications Committee)

### PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REVIEW FOR 2024 CFWC CONVENTION

# RESOLUTIONS THAT REMAIN IN COMMITTEE TO BE RE-WRITTEN AND PRESENTED AT 2024 CONVENTION

# 2022-08 THE ENERGY INNOVATION AND CARBON DIVIDEND ACT (HR 2307) (PROPOSED 2023 AND RETURNED TO THE COMMITTEE FOR PLAIN ENGLISH REWRITE)

Whereas, the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change ("IPCC") issued a special report in October 2018 on the impacts of global warming of 1.5oC or more between 2030 and 2050 if carbon emissions are allowed to increase at the current rate; and Whereas, according to the IPCC report, we have only 12 (now 8) years left to make massive and unprecedented changes to global energy infrastructure to limit global warming to moderate levels; and Whereas, the United States government released its Fourth Annual Climate Assessment in November 2018 reporting that the impacts of climate change are already being felt in communities across the country, and that more frequent and intense extreme weather and climate-related events, as well as changes in average climate conditions, are expected to continue to damage infrastructure, ecosystems, and social systems that provide essential benefits to communities; and Whereas, the state of California is already experiencing severe impacts from record-breaking wildfires, coastal sea-level rise, severe, prolonged drought, and longer and more frequent heat-waves; and Whereas, conservative estimates by the world's climate scientists state that, to achieve climate stabilization and avoid cataclysmic climate change, emissions of greenhouse gasses ("GHGs") must be brought to 80-95% below 1990 levels by 2050; and Whereas, presently the environmental, health, and social costs of carbon emissions are not included in prices paid for fossil fuels, but rather these externalized costs are borne directly and indirectly by all Americans; and

Whereas, to begin to correct this market failure, Congress can enact the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act to assess a national carbon fee on fossil fuels based on the amount of CO2 the fuel will emit when burned and allocate the collected proceeds to all U.S. households in equal per-capita shares in the form of a monthly dividend; and Whereas, as stated in the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act, a national, revenue-neutral carbon fee starting at a relatively low rate of \$15 per ton of CO2 equivalent emissions and resulting in equal charges per

ton of CO2 equivalent emissions potential in each type of fuel or greenhouse gas should be assessed to begin to lower what are now dangerously high CO2 emissions. The yearly increase in carbon fees including other greenhouse gasses, shall be at least \$10 per ton of CO2 equivalent each year, with the provision that the annual increase will be \$15 per ton of CO2 equivalent if statutory goals are not met; and WHEREAS, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act specifies that, in order to protect low and middle income citizens from the economic impact of rising prices due to the carbon fee, equal monthly per-person dividend payments shall be made to all American households (one-half payment per child under 19 years old) each month from the fossil fuel fees collected. The total value of all monthly dividend payments shall represent 100% of the net carbon fees collected per month; and Whereas, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act encourages market-driven innovation of clean energy technologies and market efficiencies which will reduce harmful pollution and leave a healthier, more stable, and more prosperous nation for future generations; and Whereas, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act will, after 12 years, lead to a decrease in America's CO2 emissions of 40%, and an increase in national employment of 2.1 million jobs in 10 years; and

Whereas, as stated in the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act, a national, revenue-neutral carbon fee starting at a relatively low rate of \$15 per ton of CO2 equivalent emissions and resulting in equal charges per ton of CO2 equivalent emissions potential in each type of fuel or greenhouse gas should be assessed to begin to lower what are now dangerously high CO2 emissions. The yearly increase in carbon fees including other greenhouse gasses, shall be at least \$10 per ton of CO2 equivalent each year, with the provision that the annual increase will be \$15 per ton of CO2 equivalent if statutory goals are not met; and WHEREAS, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act specifies that, in order to protect low and middle income citizens from the economic impact of rising prices due to the carbon fee, equal monthly per-person dividend payments shall be made to all American households (one-half payment per child under 19 years old) each month from the fossil fuel fees collected. The total value of all monthly dividend payments shall represent 100% of the net carbon fees collected per month; and

Whereas, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act encourages market-driven innovation of clean energy technologies and market efficiencies which will reduce harmful pollution and leave a healthier, more stable, and more prosperous nation for future generations; and

Whereas, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act will, after 12 years, lead to a decrease in America's CO2 emissions of 40%, and an increase in national employment of 2.1 million jobs in 10 years; and Whereas, border adjustments (carbon content-based levies on products imported from countries without comparable carbon pricing, and refunds to our exporters of carbon fees paid) can maintain the competitiveness of U.S. businesses in global markets; and

Whereas, for efficient administration, the fossil fuels fee can be applied once, as far upstream in the economy as practical, or at the port of entry into the United States; and Whereas, a national carbon fee can be implemented quickly and efficiently, and will respond to the urgency of the climate crisis because the federal government already has in place mechanisms, such as the Internal Revenue Service, needed to implement and enforce the fee, and already collects fees from fossil fuel producers and importers; and

Whereas, a national revenue-neutral carbon fee would make the United States a leader in mitigating climate change and in the clean energy technologies of the 21st century and would provide incentive to other countries to enact similar carbon fees, reducing global CO2 emissions without the need for complex international agreements; and Whereas, the California Federation of Women's Clubs has demonstrated a long-standing commitment to addressing environmental issues; and Whereas, the international organization, General Federation of Women's Clubs has demonstrated a long-standing commitment to addressing environmental issues; Therefore, GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs hereby urges the United States Congress to enact without delay the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act (HR 2307), and that this Resolution, shall be sent to the President of the United States and the Vice President of the United States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the Majority Leader of the Senate, to each U.S. Senator and Representative from the State of California in the Congress of the United States, and to the General Federation of Women's Clubs urging each state to pass similar resolutions.

# Resolutions proposed to be retired Per GFWC resolutions older than 5 years shall be retired:

## **ARTS AND CULTURE:**

**1990-01 Involvement and Participation in Arts in the Schools and Communities** (Convention 1990, Reaffirmed 1995, Reaffirmed 2010, Reaffirmed 2015, Reaffirmed 2021)

**1990-02 Museums and Historical Societies (**Convention 1990, Reaffirmed 1995, Reaffirmed 2000, Reaffirmed 2015, Amended 2010, Reaffirmed 2015, Amended 2021)

### **ENVIRONMENT:**

**1989-03 Ban on Chemical and Biological Weapons used in Warfare** (Convention 1989, Amended/Reaffirmed 1999, Amended 2004 Reaffirmed 2009, Reaffirmed 2014, Reaffirmed 2021)

## **HEALTH AND WELLNESS:**

1974-01 LARGE COMBINATION VEHICLES (LCVs) (Executive Board,

February 1974, Convention 1974, Historic, Reactivated, Executive Board, October 1994 with reference to the NAFTA Treaty, Amended/Reaffirmed 1999, Amended/Affirmed 2004, Reaffirmed 2009, Reaffirmed 2014, Reaffirmed 2021)

**1979-01 FEMALE OBJECTIFICATION** Convention 1979, Reaffirmed 1988, 1993, 1999, Amended 2004, Amended 2009, Reviewed 2014, Amended 2021)

1993-01 BREAST CANCER (Convention 1993, Reviewed 1999, Amended 2004, Reviewed 2009, Reviewed 2014, Amended 2021)

### 1994-01 MEDIA CONTENT IN CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING & OTHER MEDIA

(Convention 1994, Reaffirmed 1999, Amended/Affirmed 2004, Amended 2009, 2014, Reaffirmed 2021)

<u>CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH 1959-01 DRUG DEALERS</u> Convention 1959, Reaffirmed 1974, 1988, Reviewed

1993, 1998, Amended 2004, Reaffirmed 2009, Reviewed 2014, Amended 2021)

<u>1978-01 RENEWAL OF THE PLEADGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u> (Convention 1978, Reaffirmed 1987, 1993, 1998 Amended 2003, Reaffirmed 2008, Reaffirmed 2013, Reaffirmed 2021)

<u>1983-01 ILLEGAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION</u> (Convention 1983, Reaffirmed 1988, Reviewed 1998, Amended 2003, Amended 2009, Amended 2014, Amended 2021)

1988-02 GOVERNMENT WASTE AND INEFFICIENCY (Convention 1988, Reaffirmed 1993, Reviewed 1998, Amended 2004, Reviewed 2009, Reaffirmed 2014, Reaffirmed 2021)

\*\*If members feel strongly about a resolution that is being retired, they are encouraged to rewrite the resolution for current times.