

The following are the responses to the National Popular Vote Compact Study Consensus submitted for LWV Of Laporte County as recorded by Patricia Boy, President.

Amending the Constitution:

1. Actions to alter a basic element of the Constitutional framework, which is achievable by amendment to the Constitution, should be accomplished by amendment to the Constitution.
2. Because a compact has never before been used to address a fundamental constitutional issue such as voting, the chance that it might set a precedent for the future leads to the conclusion that it is better that the League continue to work for an amendment to the Constitution to establish the direct popular election of the President and the abolition of the Electoral College.

Congressional Consent

3. The group could not reach consensus

Enforcement

4. Enforcement of the plan is likely to add uncertainty and bring the courts into the presidential election in ways that raise substantial concerns.

Uniformity

5. The uniformity of voting systems is more important to American democracy than the possibility that the NPV Compact can be adopted.

Popular Election of the President

6. The group could not reach consensus

Achievability

7a. Agree

7b. Agree

Additional Comments:

For question #2, we reached consensus on a., but felt that the League should continue to look for other options such as the proportional vote used in Missouri. For question #5, we reached consensus on a., but felt that there should be other

alternatives available for use by individual states that do not violate the "uniformity of voting" yet allow for other methods to reach popular vote.