**NLN Affiliated Constituent League**

**Policy and Procedure**

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| policy number  | **6.2** |
| policy name  | Public Policy Statements |
| **date of origin** | (Date) |
| purpose | * This succinct policy allows the president/chief executive to speak out on public policy issues on behalf of the organization.
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| 1. **policy**
 | The board or executive committee may agree to approve a resolution on any public issue for which it feels a “voice from **XYZ**” could improve the public dialogue, and the chief executive or board members are encouraged to propose such resolutions for the board’s or executive committee’s consideration. The president/chief executive is authorized to add XYZ’s name to others’ statements, letters, proclamations, etc. which clearly fit within the guidelines below:1. Support principles of access to quality health care for all.
2. Support policies to promote nurse workforce development.
3. Support policies to reduce the nurse faculty shortage.
4. Support efforts to show respect for ethnic, cultural and gender diversity

**Publicity Activities**1. Write and/or call legislators on current issues.
2. Organize group visits to your state capitol or in the home district offices on current issues or broad problems

**Political Activity**XYZ encourages individual participation in civic affairs. However, as a charitable organization, XYZ may not make contributions to any candidate for public office or political committee and may not intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. We therefore:* Refrain from making any contributions to any candidate for public office or political committee on behalf of XYZ.
* Refrain from making any contributions to any candidate for public office or political committee in a manner that may create the appearance that the contribution is on behalf of XYZ.
* Refrain from using any organizational financial resources, facilities, or personnel to endorse or oppose a candidate for public office.
* Clearly communicate that we are not acting on behalf of the organization, if identified as an official of XYZ, while engaging in political activities in an individual capacity.
* Refrain from engaging in political activities in a manner that may create the appearance that such activity is by or on behalf of XYZ.
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Revision Dates: