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Ann Widger, Administrator
AFSCME Retiree Chapter 37
1625 L Street NW
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Dear Administrator Widger:

We have completed our review of the revised Retiree Chapter 37 Constitution, which you submitted for preapproval. The constitution has been pre-approved with the following revisions:

1. Article V, Section 2. We have required no less than 15 percent of the membership to sign petitions for special meetings. Therefore, for clarity, we would modify this section to reflect the 15-percent minimum.
2. Article X, Section 1, Second Paragraph. For clarity, and to comply with language found in Article IX, Section 49, of the *International Constitution*, we would modify the last sentence to read as follows: “Unless otherwise specified, amendments shall take effect only upon written approval of the International President.”

If the retiree chapter adopts the constitution in substantially the same form as submitted for pre-approval, the constitution may be considered approved.

Please submit the constitution for final approval following its adoption along with the minutes of the meeting at which they were adopted. A revised constitution with my signature of approval will be forwarded to you.

In solidarity,

LEE SAUNDERS
President

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Attachments

cc: Ashley Jenkins, Director, Organizing and Field Services
James Howell, Eastern Regional Director
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