Sussex County Amateur Radio Club Inc.

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January 13, 2018

Dear Director/Directors of ARRL:

The Sussex County Amateur Radio Club (SCARC), an affiliated ARRL club based in Newton, New Jersey and within the Hudson Division of the ARRL wishes to speak out against the proposed Bylaw and Code of Conduct changes to be voted on at the January 19, 2018 Meeting of the Board. Our club consists of over 100 members of which at least 75 are members of the ARRL.

- The executive committee of SCARC and our membership, feel that no voting member of the League Board of Directors should be appointed by the Board of the ARRL. All voting members of the ARRL Board should be held accountable to the voting membership and not select members of the Board.
- Removal of a member of any organization, including the ARRL, should not be permitted with ease or only at the discretion of the ARRL Board. Thus, a justifiable and easy to understand list of conditions should be presented for consideration before adoption.
- Every member of the League, and, in particular, the Members of the Board should be permitted, and encouraged, to express unpopular opinions and submit comment regarding the actions of Board Members to their respective Division Membership. This will permit members of the League to form unbiased opinions as to whom should be part of the Board and lead the organization.

It is important that the ARRL remain a solidly democratic, membership-based organization with principles of openness and accessibility through our elected Directors. I urge you to vote in accordance with our wishes at the January 19, 2018 meeting.

The Sussex County Amateur Radio Club rejects all of the proposed changes and will ask the 75 plus ARRL members in our organization to contact our League Officials and urge them to reject these proposed changes.

Sincerely yours;

The Sussex County Amateur Radio Club, Newton, NJ

Executive Committee