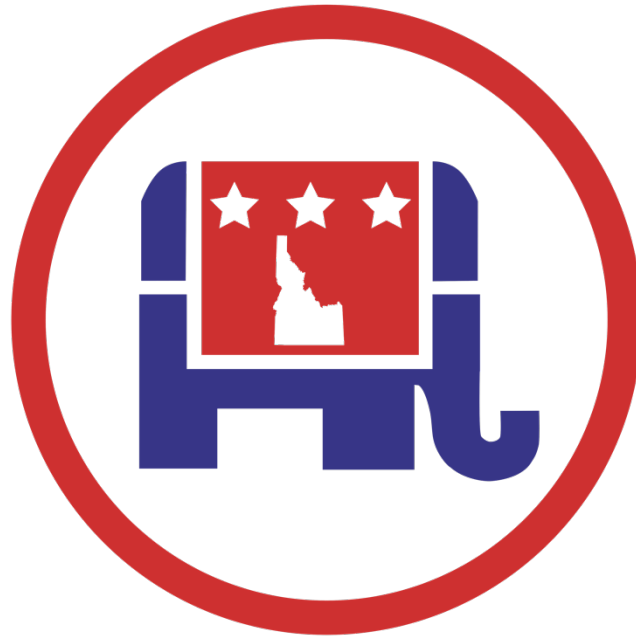


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Proposed Resolution 2019 – P1

A Resolution Regarding School Security

Submitted by: Bonner County Central Committee

Presented by: Maureen Paterson, Cornet Rasor, Victoria Zeischegg, Monique Hutchings, Doug Paterson

Whereas, Bonner County Central Committee finds that because of the delayed response time for police and/or other emergency personnel in extreme situations; and

Whereas, in light of recent shooting incidents in schools, it is necessary for the safety and well-being of the students and employees to provide trained security personnel within the schools to intervene if deadly violence occurs or threatens; and

Whereas, in light of budgetary concerns, existing staff may be required to act as security personnel; and

Whereas, the federal Gun Free School Zone Act' authorizes firearms on school premises "by an individual as part of a school program" called a school security officer, and

Whereas, each school security officer must maintain requirements necessary to be properly insured and have an active concealed carry permit; and

Whereas, each school security officer should follow all of the District's requirements pertaining to this resolution,

Now therefore be it resolved, that Bonner County Central Committee supports that one or more current employees of each School should be selected by the school's trustees to receive an extra-duty assignment as a school security officer, and should be deemed employed as a school security officer.

Be it further resolved, that any employee designated as a school security officer in accordance with this resolution, should be, and hereby is, authorized to carry a concealed handgun on that School District's property while on duty as a school security officer.

Be it further resolved, that every school post, in an open and conspicuous manner, that it is protected by armed security personnel.

Proposed Resolution 2019 – P2

Resolution in Support of the President's Declaration of a National Border Emergency

Submitted by: Cornel Razor, Bonner County Central Committee

Presenters: Doug Paterson, Cornel Razor, Victoria Zeischegg, Monique Hutchings

Whereas, Article II — Section 8 of the United States Constitution declares "The President of the United States shall be Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy of the United States and of the Militia of the several states,' and therefore is authorized to determine how military funding and manpower is ultimately used to protect our country.

Whereas, Title 8 — United States Code Section 1182 (f) "gives the President the power to suspend the entry of all aliens whenever he finds their entry 'would be detrimental to the interest of the United States.'" As recently confirmed by the supreme court as a constitutional authority of the President allows him to close the border by any means necessary.

Whereas, the National Emergency Act of 1976" approved by Congress gives the President the authority to "declare a national emergency."

Whereas, the National emergency Act was amended in 1985 "to substitute a joint resolution as the vehicle for rescinding a national emergency by the Congress," we implore our Idaho State elected officials to oppose supporting any such action to terminate the President's declaration of a national emergency on our borders.

Whereas, the National Emergency on our Southern border has resulted in US Border agents funding and manpower being deployed from the post along our Northern border in order to help defend the South.

Whereas, in as much as each mile of border wall, fencing and state of the art technology will allow our immigration officers to redeploy their time more cost effectively at border crossings and, wherever else they may need to be, we fully support our President using all of the constitutional powers granted to the office, to declare a national emergency and completely build the infrastructure needed to meet the highest standards of security at our points of entry.

Further, we expect all of our elected officials to support the President's efforts and enthusiastically work towards providing any and all additional funding from Congress to meet the national emergency needs; to stop the access of illegal entry by people, drugs and human trafficking, without reservation and further delay.

Therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Bonner County Republican Central Committee, being next to a national border county, resolve that we totally support, without reservation, our U. S. Border Patrol, Immigration Custom Enforcement Officers and President tasked with being our first line of defense for a safe and secure border.

Be it further resolved: The Bonner County Republican Central Committee, calls upon the Republican central committee of all counties in Idaho to join us in this action by calling upon elected

state and federal officials to act in protecting our safety and security by securing our borders with sufficient funding and manpower to protect our homeland.

Proposed Resolution 2019 – P3

A Resolution to Consolidate School Levy Elections

Submitted by: Bonner County Central Committee

Presented by: Danielle Ahrens, Doug Paterson, Monique Hutchings, Victoria Zeischegg, Cornel Rasor

Whereas, the IDGOP platform states in Article I, Section 1, Paragraph A: The Idaho Republican Party recognizes that all government is financed by taxing its citizens. We believe the size and cost of government, as well as the national debt, must be reduced.

Whereas, principles of sound government dictate that in a given locality all who will be affected by policies, statutes, levies and taxes should be afforded an opportunity to have a voice; and

Whereas, it is incumbent upon the state legislature to maintain equal access to voting regardless the type of governmental action, and

Whereas, County election process provides two excellent times per year, the May Primary and the November General election, that are already funded and well recognized as "when we vote" by the citizens Idaho; and

Whereas, many taxpayers are regularly absent on the dates used by the school districts of Idaho for school levy elections; and

Whereas, each additional calendar voting day adds as much as \$60,000 in expenses to a county budget in order to provide for a school levy or other special election; and

Whereas, consolidating those days into already existing dates such as the primary and general election will save taxpayer funds and lead to a higher voter turnout;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Bonner County Republican Central Committee formally encourages the state legislature to consolidate elections to the two traditional dates for voting: the primary in May and the general election in November.

Proposed Resolution 2019 – P4

A Resolution Rejecting Attempts at Removing the Electoral College

Authored and submitted by: Matthew K. Jensen, District 17 Vice Chairman

Whereas, one of the best reasons as to why our republic works is the Electoral College as prescribed and mandated in the United States Constitution; and,

Whereas, efforts have been made and are continuing to be made to end this prudent practice; and,

Whereas, under a national popular vote system, only 120 counties out of 3,007, comprising 8% of the area of the Union, would have effective control over 100% of the election; and,

Whereas, eliminating the Electoral College is antithetical to the values of the republic as enshrined in the US Constitution; and,

Whereas, a direct tally of votes is also inherently problematic due to widespread voter fraud; and,

Whereas, losing a major election should not elicit this kind of response;

Therefore be it resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the next meeting of the State Central Committee for consideration; and,

Therefore be it further resolved, that the Idaho Republican Party urges, in the strongest possible terms, its members in all levels and chambers of government to reject and condemn the efforts to remove or circumvent the Electoral College; and,

Therefore be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to everyone in the Congressional Delegation of Idaho, and all republicans in the Idaho Legislature; and,

Therefore be it further resolved, that in such an event as above, that the Idaho Republican Party compels its State Chairman to publicly condemn such an act.

Proposed Resolution 2019 – P5

A Resolution to Decriminalize Cannabis

Authored and submitted by: Members of the Republican Party, District 17, Ada County, Idaho.

Whereas, history has shown that prohibition as public policy has never achieved its desired outcomes, and led to significant, unintended, negative consequences; and,

Whereas, cannabis in its various forms is extremely useful as both an industrial product and as medicine; and,

Whereas, the State of Idaho expends precious resources on pointless criminal prosecutions for cannabis possession and for the treatment of medical conditions which could be treated by the use of cannabis; and,

Whereas, numerous people from Idaho are traveling to nearby states to purchase and use cannabis for a variety of reasons, including personal health and wellness, but face criminal liability when they bring it back to Idaho; and,

Whereas, the opioid epidemic, largely spurred by the prescribing of powerful narcotic painkillers, results in 70,000 deaths every year; and,

Whereas, no one ever died from an overdose of cannabis;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Idaho Republican Party urges, in the strongest possible terms, its members in all levels and chambers of legislature to decriminalize all forms of cannabis; and,

Therefore be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the next meeting of the State Central Committee for consideration.

Proposed Resolution 2019 – P6

Resolution in Support of Making Idaho a Wolf Hunter Sanctuary State

Submitted by: Clearwater County Republican Central Committee

Whereas, Idaho Wildlife Services confirmed a record 113 wolf kills of livestock during the fiscal year 2018 with 163 confirmed kills in calendar year 2018.

Whereas, actual figures are much harder to come by as many wolves killed animals are never found or the carcasses are too old to establish the death was due to wolves.

Whereas, moose, deer and elk populations have suffered catastrophic losses since forced introduction of wolves into the state.

Whereas, the large and growing wolf populations and their impact on the livestock and big game industries have detrimentally impacted the economy of Idaho.

Whereas, the rural counties, cities and school districts are especially detrimentally impacted by the predatory lives of wolves.

Whereas, many Democrat controlled states, counties and cities have created so called sanctuary regions. State and local law enforcement officials are directed to not assist federal officials in any manner in detaining or arresting people that have entered this country illegally. The courts have ruled that the federal government cannot withhold funds from the local government agencies that follow the sanctuary mode.

Whereas, the intent of this resolution is for the State to gain more control over the burgeoning wolf population in this State and to reduce the havoc these predators have upon the domestic livestock and wild game populations within the State.

Therefore be it resolved, the Clearwater County Republican Committee wishes for the State Republican Committee to work with the Idaho Legislature to pass legislation making Idaho a “Wolf Hunter Sanctuary State”. This means the legislature passes legislation that requires State Fish and Game officials and local county and city officials provide no assistance whatsoever to federal officials in any type of law enforcement concerning wolves.

Be it Further Resolved, from the point of time this legislation is passed hunters will be allowed to shoot & kill an unlimited number of wolves with no interference from any State or local official.

Be it Further Resolved, residents from other states that wish to hunt wolves may do so by purchasing a special wolf permit for \$10 which permits them to hunt in the State of Idaho. These permits can be sold in unlimited numbers, but the wolf permit only allows these hunters to pursue wolves unless they have purchased the other necessary tags and licenses to hunt other game.

Proposed Resolution 2019 – P7

Resolution Supporting Multiple Year State Licensing For Recreational Vehicles

Submitted by: Latah County Republican Central Committee

Whereas, many of Idaho’s hard-working owners of boats, RVs, motorhomes, off-road vehicles, and campers are only able to get outdoors a few days each year; and,

Whereas, the current rules require that those same people spend precious time each year renewing their license for a maximum of one year at a time; and,

Whereas, it would save time, money, & frustration on the part of both taxpayers & their licensing office staff if taxpayers were allowed to purchase multi-year licenses for boats, RVs, motorhomes, off-road vehicles, and campers; and,

Whereas, Idaho is inhabited by good, freedom-loving citizens, and ought to set the example by promoting freedom from any regulations, requirements, or time consuming paperwork that can be alleviated;

Therefore, be it resolved that, the department of licensing allow for appropriately discounted 3 year and 5 year licensing of boats, RVs, motorhomes, off-road vehicles, and campers; and,

Be it further resolved that, the department of licensing examine ways to reduce tax-supported staff time dedicated to re-licensing while also reducing the cost, time, and effort it takes citizens to comply with state mandated licensing requirements, in order that these cost savings might lead to a more prosperous Idaho.

Proposed Resolution 2019 – P8

Resolution to Protect the Rights of Parents in the State of Idaho Concerning their Child’s Health, Safety, and Well-Being

Submitted by: Benewah County Central Committee

Whereas, the liberty of parents to direct the upbringing, education, and care of their children is a fundamental right; and

Whereas, legally fit parents are finding their parental rights violated when attempting to get medical treatment for their children; and

Whereas, the current environment of government-mandated vaccines in neighboring states has caused many families to consider moving to Idaho and other liberty-loving states; and it would benefit our state to have these freedom-minded individuals make Idaho their home; and

Whereas, 35 states include disability as grounds for termination of parental rights; DC and nine states allow physical disability as the sole grounds for terminating parents rights, even without evidence of abuse or neglect; and

Whereas, the LGBTQ+ agenda is working to compel children be trained in the use of gender pronouns; specifically, this agenda includes parents being accused of “abuse” if they do not accede to the wishes of their children to recognize their child’s gender identification, support the child’s transition, and/or use the pronoun of the child’s choice; and

Whereas, although Idaho law does not *currently* include government oversight requirements for privately homeschooling parents, there is a movement to undermine law-abiding parents and issue stringent guidelines for homeschooling families that mirror progressive states’ homeschooling laws; and

Whereas, it is Idaho law that children under the age of 17 be mandated to complete an expensive driver’s education course before obtaining a driver’s license; that a parent who wishes to teach their child to operate a vehicle is considered home education and should be treated as such; and

Whereas, children are too often taken out of their homes by the Department of Health and Welfare without evidence of abuse or neglect; and

Whereas, the state has a legitimate interest in protecting children from abuse and neglect, both of which are already illegal; therefore,

Be it resolved, that law-abiding parents should be protected concerning decision-making in the lives of their minor children and the State of Idaho will not make a “guilty before innocent” assumption toward well-meaning parents without a judicial order and the State shall not infringe upon parental rights without demonstrating that its governmental interest as applied to the person is of the highest order and not otherwise served.

Be it Further Resolved, that the Idaho Republican Party would support and encourage the passage of an amendment to the Idaho Constitution to protect the rights of parents over their children.

Proposed Resolution 2019 – P9

A Resolution Supporting Efforts to Bring Our Troops Home

Authored by: Representative Tammy Nichols, Seat 11B

Submitted by: Matthew K. Jensen, Region IV Secretary

Whereas, the United States military has now been fighting in the Middle East over 18 years, more than 7,000 American heroes have given their lives, and more than 52,000 Americans have been wounded; and,

Whereas, the United States has spent over \$7 Trillion fighting in Iraq, Afghanistan, Yemen, and Syria; and,

Whereas, President Donald Trump said in his 2019 State of the Union Address:

“Great nations do not fight endless wars... Our troops have fought with unmatched valor -- and thanks to their bravery, we are now able to pursue a political solution to this long and bloody conflict... We do not know whether we will achieve an agreement -- but we do know that after two decades of war, the hour has come to at least try for peace... Now, as we work with our allies to destroy the remnants of ISIS, it is time to give our brave warriors in Syria a warm welcome home.”; and,

Whereas, Idaho citizens have grown weary of war and are eager for peace; and,

Whereas, the Constitution of the United States of America enumerates the authorization to declare war belongs solely to the U.S. House of Representatives; and,

Whereas, the last time the U.S. House of Representatives formally approved a Declaration of War was in December of 1941, and we should return to the principle that American troops should be committed to combat operations overseas only with Congressional authorization as required by the Constitution of the United States; and,

Whereas, the U.S. Armed Forces’ purpose, as defined by Section 3062 of Title 10, U.S. Code, is to preserve the peace and security and provide for the defense of the United States, the Commonwealths, and possessions of the United States; and,

Whereas, the mission of the United States military in the “forever wars” in the middle east has evolved into nation building, peace keeping, advising and consulting, and occupation; and

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Whereas, those who oppose withdrawing American troops from the Middle East assert that our troops cannot be withdrawn precipitously, but also cannot be withdrawn on some future specific date, whereby leaving to time or plan for withdrawal meaning an endless commitment to spilling American blood and treasure in such conflicts;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Idaho Republican Party hereby calls on the Idahoan Congressional delegation to advocate for and vote in favor of legislation and resolutions that call for the withdrawal of the United States troops from the Middle East and ending the war in Afghanistan; and,

Therefore be it further resolved, that the State Central Committee of the Idaho Republican Party directs its headquarters to transmit a copy of this resolution to the office of Senator Jim Risch, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and to the offices of Senator Mike Crapo, Congressman Mike Simpson and Congressman Russ Fulcher; and,

Therefore be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the next meeting of the State Central Committee for consideration.