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### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

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The resolutions committee received 22 distinct resolutions from MRP precinct caucuses. These resolutions seek to change the state party platform (see [mplsgop.org](https://mplsgop.org)) or advocate for specific legislation or policy. All 22 resolutions are included in this report, with the committee's recommendation to adopt or not adopt each one.

There is a long path remaining for these resolutions: Those that are adopted by this convention will be submitted to CD5, and those that survive the CD5 platform/resolutions committee report will be voted on by the CD5 convention. Those resolutions adopted by that convention will be submitted to state, and those that survive the state platform committee report will be voted on by the state convention. Those that are adopted by the state convention will become part of the state party platform and action agenda.

The party platform houses enduring party principles. The action agenda, a newer creation, houses commitments to advocate for specific legislation or policy. While the state resolutions committee may recommend that certain platform items sunset, that is, automatically expire after a certain number of years, the entire action agenda expires and is re-made every two years.

In this report, the resolutions are presented under the platform section, or plank, that they pertain to. The following are provided: the statement of principle of that plank, the committee's determination of whether the resolution belongs to the platform or the action agenda, the number of precincts that submitted the resolution, the committee's recommendation to adopt the resolution or not, the reason for some of the recommendations not to adopt the resolution, the text of the resolution, and some quotations from the current platform related to the resolution. There is a summary table on the next page.

The committee also notes the following regarding the process for adopting these resolutions:

- According to convention rule 12A, if a delegate or seated alternate disagrees with the committee's recommendation, he or she may move to separate that resolution out for its own debate and vote; the remainder of the report will be voted on by a single vote, without debate, to adopt all of and only those items the committee recommended for adoption.
- According to convention rule 12B, only resolutions reported out of the Resolutions Committee may be considered by the Convention.

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## Summary of resolutions and the Resolutions Committee recommendation

See the resolution number (#) on the following pages for complete resolution text and other information.

#	Document	Plank	Short summary	Precincts	Recommendation
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4-1	Action Agenda	4	Support Education Savings Accounts bill	1	Adopt
6-1	Platform	6	Support police, fire, and emergency services	1	Adopt
7-1	Action Agenda	7	Support dropping all criminal cases against Donald Trump and participants in U.S. Capitol occupation	1	Adopt
9-1	Action Agenda	9	Pass the "Never Again" Bill	1	Adopt
10-1	Action Agenda	10	Oppose WHO Pandemic Agreement	1	Adopt
10-2	Action Agenda	10	Reaffirm unequivocal support for the State of Israel	1	Adopt
10-4	Action Agenda	10	Support continued military and economic aid to Ukraine	1	Adopt
1-1	Action Agenda	1	Adopt the metric system	1	Do not adopt
2-1	Platform	2	Protect life from conception (preborn)	1	Do not adopt *
2-2	Platform	2	Support religious freedom and rights of conscience	1	Do not adopt *
3-1	Platform	3	Oppose legalization of physician assisted suicide	3	Do not adopt *
3-2	Platform	3	No Minnesota city, county, or state will be a sanctuary for illegals	1	Do not adopt *
5-1	Platform	5	Support parents' rights	1	Do not adopt *
5-2	Action Agenda	5	Support making family economic security the center of public policy discussions	1	Do not adopt *
5-3	Platform	5	Pornography is a public health hazard	1	Do not adopt *
8-1	Action Agenda	8	Because of climate change, end all tax subsidies to oil and gas companies	1	Do not adopt
9-2	Action Agenda	9	Support local control of election data and processes	4	Do not adopt
9-3	Action Agenda	9	Oppose electronic and NGO (Non-Government Organization) involvement in election processes and reporting	4	Do not adopt
9-4	Action Agenda	9	Voter integrity and removal of driver's licenses from illegals	1	Do not adopt *
9-5	Platform	9	Support hand-counting all ballots on election night	1	Do not adopt
10-3	Platform	10	Oppose tax dollars going to support or maintenance of illegals	1	Do not adopt *

\* Already in platform

## Section 1 – Promote Economic Prosperity

*From platform Statement of Principles:*

We believe economic prosperity is driven by individuals, not government. We support lowering the tax burden, exercising spending restraint, and creating and maintaining a fair, honest and competitive business environment to promote economic prosperity.

<b>Resolution number</b>	1-1
<b>Short description</b>	Adopt the metric system
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	1 - Promote Economic Prosperity
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b>

### Resolution:

That the U.S. officially adopt the metric system

### What's in the platform now:

2 – Restore and Defend Civil Rights  
We believe interference by the federal government in private contracts should be prohibited.

## Section 2 – Restore and Defend Civil Rights

*From platform Statement of Principles:*

We believe we are “endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights.” We support defending the right to life, protecting religious and political liberties, and expect that government treats all of its citizens equally under the law. We support respecting personal privacy and property, protecting the right to bear arms, and giving workers the right to decide whether to join a union.

<b>Resolution number</b>	2-1
<b>Short description</b>	Protect life from conception (preborn)
<b>Document</b>	Platform
<b>Section (plank)</b>	2 - Restore and Defend Civil Rights
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b> (already in the platform)

### Resolution:

We as Minnesotans and Americans value life. We desire to protect life as far as we can in this Democracy, including extending protection to preborn, preferably from the beginning, but will do what is feasible at this time. Includes also all vulnerable lives.

### What's in the platform now:

2 – Restore and Defend Civil Rights  
We believe we are “endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights.” We support defending the right to life, protecting religious and political liberties, and expect that government treats all of its citizens equally under the law.

Republicans believe that every innocent human being, born and unborn, has an inalienable right to life from conception to natural death. The U.S. and Minnesota Constitutions should be amended to restore legal protection to the lives of innocent human beings from conception to natural death.

6 – Protect Public Safety  
We believe public safety is better served if we: ... Carefully monitor institutions providing care for vulnerable populations.

<b>Resolution number</b>	2-2
<b>Short description</b>	Support religious freedom and rights of conscience
<b>Document</b>	Platform
<b>Section (plank)</b>	2 - Restore and Defend Civil Rights
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b> (already in the platform)

### Resolution:

Be it resolved that the Republican Party of Minnesota supports religious freedom and rights of conscience for private individuals, businesses and government officials.

### What's in the platform now:

We support protecting the right to religious freedom, religious expression and the rights of conscience for all peoples.

<b>Resolution number</b>	2-3
<b>Short description</b>	Oppose Equal Rights Amendment (ERA)
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	2 - Restore and Defend Civil Rights
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	Adopt

**Resolution:**

A resolution against putting the Equal Rights Amendment on the general election ballot for Minnesota voters.

WHEREAS, federal civil rights law and the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution already protect individuals against invidious discrimination;

WHEREAS, prohibitions against discrimination based on sex and sexual orientation, including gender identity, are specifically protected in the Minnesota Human Rights Act;

WHEREAS, nondiscrimination law is best made in legislatures where laws can be molded to accommodate various and sometimes conflicting interests including protecting rights of speech, association, and religion;

WHEREAS the Minnesota Human Rights Act has effectively balanced religious liberty, conscience rights, sexual difference, and non-discrimination principles for thirty years, and a constitutional “equal rights” amendment could overturn that balance; and

WHEREAS, constitutional mandates against sex and gender discrimination will also further entrench a policy of abortion on demand and threaten to impose financial mandates and legal penalties on those who object, as well as make it more difficult to put reasonable limitations in place on the practice;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Minnesota should oppose the Equal Rights Amendment in all forms and should instead recognize the balancing of interests that our law already provides and respect the lives of the unborn.

**What’s in the platform now:**

2 – Restore and Defend Civil Rights

We believe we are “endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights.” We support defending the right to life, protecting religious and political liberties, and expect that government treats all of its citizens equally under the law.

Republicans believe that every innocent human being, born and unborn, has an inalienable right to life from conception to natural death. The U.S. and Minnesota Constitutions should be amended to restore legal protection to the lives of innocent human beings from conception to natural death.

We support protecting the right to religious freedom, religious expression and the rights of conscience for all peoples...

We believe we are all Americans, not divided into subcategories.

### Section 3 – Protect our Health Care

From platform Statement of Principles:

We recognize that the United States has the most advanced health care system in the world, leading in innovation and new technology development. Through genuine market competition and granting people choices, we can make health care more affordable, of higher quality and available to more Americans, while protecting privacy.

<b>Resolution number</b>	3-1
<b>Short description</b>	Oppose legalization of physician assisted suicide
<b>Document</b>	Platform
<b>Section (plank)</b>	3 - Protect our Health Care
<b>Submitted by</b>	3 precincts
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b> (already in the platform)

#### Resolution:

A resolution against the legalization of assisted suicide in Minnesota and renewing Minnesota's commitment to improving care.

WHEREAS, Minnesota has long prided itself on offering the highest level of healthcare;

WHEREAS, public policy should seek to improve healthcare, not hasten death;

WHEREAS, every person has the right to receive health care, as well as manage their illnesses and refuse life-prolonging treatment;

WHEREAS, allowing medical professionals to prescribe lethal drugs harms the patient-provider relationship;

WHEREAS, assisted suicide targets people who are vulnerable especially those with disabilities, the elderly, veterans and low-income individuals; and

WHEREAS, in practice legalized assisted suicide has been risky, lacks safeguards, and promotes suicide and undermines support for those suffering from mental illness;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Minnesota should oppose legalization of physician assisted suicide and should instead support healthcare solutions that prioritize real care rather than hasten death.

#### What's in the platform now:

3 - Protect our Health Care

Prohibit any medical procedure or therapy that would deliberately cause or hasten death including physician-assisted suicide and deprivation of food and water.

<b>Resolution number</b>	3-2
<b>Short description</b>	No Minnesota city, county, or state will be a sanctuary for illegals
<b>Document</b>	Platform
<b>Section (plank)</b>	3 - Protect our Health Care
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precincts
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b> (already in the platform)

#### Resolution:

No Minnesota city, county, or state will be a sanctuary for illegals.

#### What's in the platform now:

We recognize that "sanctuary cities" or "sanctuary states" are a violation of federal law and support withdrawal of all state and federal funding for those cities.

## Section 4 – Educate our Children

From platform Statement of Principles:

We believe that parents must have choices for their children’s education so that we can better educate, with more effective administration, while emphasizing traditional American values.

<b>Resolution number</b>	4-1
<b>Short description</b>	Support Education Savings Accounts bill
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	4 - Educate our Children
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	Adopt

### Resolution:

A resolution in favor of supporting parental choice in education, allowing parents to opt out of public schools and receive Education Savings Accounts (ESA) to tailor an education plan suited to each child’s unique needs.

WHEREAS, public education means the education of the public;

WHEREAS, an educated public promotes the common good and the well-being of a representative democracy;

WHEREAS, public education is not synonymous with public schools;

WHEREAS, public education dollars should follow students, not systems;

WHEREAS, all students are entitled to access a quality education without regard to socioeconomic status;

WHEREAS, parents are best situated to identify the best educational setting for their child;

WHEREAS, students will thrive if they are in a school setting that best fits their needs;

WHEREAS, Education Savings Accounts provide a way for low and middle-income families, in particular, to afford a school setting that is the best fit for their child(ren),

WHEREAS, parents are seeing failures within the public school system such as proficiency tests show that less than half of all public school students are reading at grade level<sup>1</sup>; and

WHEREAS, the lack of a quality education hinders each child’s opportunity to flourish as an adult;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Minnesota should support allowing dollars to follow students not systems by enacting an Education Savings Accounts law in Minnesota.

<sup>1</sup> Across the state, the percentage of 10th-grade students of all races reading at grade level is only 52%. Meanwhile, only 36% of 11th-grade students of all races are at grade level for math.

### What’s in the platform now:

4 - Educate our Children

We believe that parents must have choices for their children’s education so that we can better educate, with more effective administration, while emphasizing traditional American values.

As Republicans, we seek to improve the quality of education by maximizing parental choice. This includes:

- Parents should be empowered through school choice to control the education of their children by selecting the school (public, charter, private or home) that will provide the best education or curricula with the values of the family. Public education funds should follow the student to the school of the parents’ choice. ...
- Expanding tax credits, deductions, and voucher programs, including for religious schools.

## Section 5 – Strengthen our Families and Communities

*From platform Statement of Principles:*

We recognize the blessings that God has bestowed on this great Nation. We also recognize the central role of the traditional family in our society and the necessity of traditional values for strengthening our families and communities.

<b>Resolution number</b>	5-1
<b>Short description</b>	Support parents' rights
<b>Document</b>	Platform
<b>Section (plank)</b>	5 - Strengthen our Families and Communities
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b> (already in the platform)

### Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Minnesota supports the rights of parents to make family decisions autonomously about education, healthcare, culture and values, free from unnecessary government influence.

### What's in the platform now:

4 - Educate our Children

We believe that parents must have choices for their children's education so that we can better educate, with more effective administration, while emphasizing traditional American values.

As Republicans, we seek to improve the quality of education by maximizing parental choice. This includes:

- Parents should be empowered through school choice to control the education of their children by selecting the school (public, charter, private or home) that will provide the best education or curricula with the values of the family. Public education funds should follow the student to the school of the parents' choice. ...

5 – Strengthen our Families and Communities

We recognize the blessings that God has bestowed on this great Nation. We also recognize the central role of the traditional family in our society and the necessity of traditional values for strengthening our families and communities.

<b>Resolution number</b>	5-2
<b>Short description</b>	Support making family economic security the center of public policy discussions
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	5 - Strengthen our Families and Communities
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b> (already in the platform)

### Resolution:

A resolution that envisions a Minnesota where the economic well-being of the family has been elevated as the top priority for elected officials and a focal point of public policy discussion.

WHEREAS, our state is facing a demographic cliff, and we are not meeting replacement levels;

WHEREAS, family fragmentation is the root of many problems facing our state such as homelessness, economic insecurity, and criminal justice problems;

WHEREAS, we see a steady decline in marriage rates and family formation amongst middle- and working- classes;

WHEREAS, we recognize that families are our state's most important producers and contribute greatly to our society by raising the next generation;

WHEREAS, families raising children experience the brunt of increased costs of living on necessities such as transportation, consumer goods, healthcare, and housing; and

WHEREAS, it should be a priority to create an appropriate policy ecosystem that supports the creation of stable families and helps them flourish by making it easier to: get married, stay married, have kids, and raise those kids in economically stable households;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Minnesota should support families by making family economic security the center of public policy discussions.

### What's in the platform now:

Section 1 – Promote Economic Prosperity

Lower Tax Burden on Families and Businesses

5 – Strengthen our Families and Communities

We recognize the blessings that God has bestowed on this great Nation. We also recognize the central role of the traditional family in our society and the necessity of traditional values for strengthening our families and communities.

<b>Resolution number</b>	5-3
<b>Short description</b>	Pornography is a public health hazard
<b>Document</b>	Platform
<b>Section (plank)</b>	Section 5 – Strengthen our Families and Communities
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b> (already in the platform)

**Resolution:**

Be it resolved that the Republican Party of Minnesota (1) recognizes pornography as a public health hazard leading to a broad spectrum of individual and societal harms and (2) recognizes the need for education, prevention, research, and policy change at the community and societal level in order to address the pornography epidemic that is harming the people of the state of Minnesota and the nation.

**What’s in the platform now:**

Section 5 – Strengthen our Families and Communities

We would ... Recognize pornography as a public health hazard with multiple societal harms, including links to sex trafficking.

We support restricting the promotion and sale of vulgar and obscene material to children, and support the use of pornography-blocking software in publicly-financed institutions.

**Section 6 – Protect Public Safety**

*From platform Statement of Principles:*

We believe that the most fundamental function of government is to keep citizens and our property secure.

<b>Resolution number</b>	6-1
<b>Short description</b>	Support police, fire, and emergency services
<b>Document</b>	Platform
<b>Section (plank)</b>	6 - Protect Public Safety
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Adopt</b>

**Resolution:**

Be it resolved that the Republican Party of Minnesota (1) recognizes pornography as a public health hazard leading to a broad spectrum of individual and societal harms and (2) recognizes the need for education, prevention, research, and policy change at the community and societal level in order to address the pornography epidemic that is harming the people of the state of Minnesota and the nation.

**What’s in the platform now:**

6 – Protect Public Safety

Stricter penalties for assaults on police.

**Section 7 – Strengthen the Rule of Law**

*From platform Statement of Principles:*

We believe that the most fundamental function of government is to keep citizens and our property secure.

<b>Resolution number</b>	7-1
<b>Short description</b>	Support dropping all criminal cases against Donald Trump and participants in U.S. Capitol occupation
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	7 - Strengthen the Rule of Law
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Adopt</b>

**Resolution:**

Resolved: That all criminal cases against Donald Trump, and against those who participated in the January 6, 2021 occupation of the U.S. Capitol, be dismissed and/or held to be void, based on the principle that entrapment is a valid legal defense, and on the fact situation as described in the House Judiciary hearing on weaponization of government at which Robert Kennedy Jr and the author of the New York Post article regarding Hunter Biden's laptop testified, showing that agents of the Federal Government wrongfully and illegally interfered in the 2020 Presidential election through suppression of the New York Post's reporting on the Hunter Biden laptop story.

**What’s in the platform now:**

7 – Strengthen the Rule of Law

We support limiting frivolous lawsuits, preserving judicial elections, holding judges accountable, and respecting the rule of law.



## Section 8 – Enjoy and Protect our Natural Resources

From platform Statement of Principles:

We believe that proper stewardship of our natural resources and agricultural lands is best achieved through sound science and adherence to constitutionally guaranteed property rights.

<b>Resolution number</b>	8-1
<b>Short description</b>	Because of climate change, end all tax subsidies to oil and gas companies.
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	8 - Enjoy and Protect our Natural Resources
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b>

### Resolution:

Because of serious problems caused by climate change (including flooding, drought, and forest fires), all tax subsidies to oil and gas companies be immediately terminated.

These subsidies average about \$2.3 billion per year. Eliminating these subsidies will also reduce the federal deficit.

### What's in the platform now:

8 – Enjoy and Protect our Natural Resources

We oppose policies and mandates based on the Theory of Man-Made Global Warming, as well as any energy policies arising from it. Therefore, we support: ... A free market for all energy, and oppose government mandates, subsidies or monopolies.

## Section 9 – Make Government Smaller and Better

From platform Statement of Principles:

We support keeping government functions in state, local or private hands, electing honest and responsive legislative bodies, advocating for fair election processes, and generally making government smaller and better.

<b>Resolution number</b>	9-1
<b>Short description</b>	Pass the “Never Again” Bill
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	9 - Make Government Smaller and Better
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Adopt</b>

### Resolution:

WHEREAS: The role of the executive branch is to implement and uphold our law, and is expressly denied the ability to assume law-making powers by Article III of the Minnesota Constitution

WHEREAS: An emergency can only be labeled as such if it has begun and ended with urgency, and while a governor has the right to act in times of crisis, he was never given the authority of indefinite extension of these powers

WHEREAS: The worst regimes of the twentieth century used emergency powers as a trojan horse to introduce despotism, communism, and ideologies of inconceivable horror

WHEREAS: We have the option now of ceasing this precedent of emergency power abuse before it becomes the new standard, and our legislature is relegated to a position beneath the other branches

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Republican party demands that the Minnesota Legislature pass the Never Again bill immediately, regardless of opposition stemming from radically corrupted politicians:

The reason we need to put this essential check on the executive branch:

- Governor Walz enforced the unconstitutional cessation of burials, baptisms, weddings, and other religious services expressly protected in the First Amendment
- We have no guarantee that Governor Walz or other Governors in the future won't likewise refute our God-given rights
- Any allowance of unconstitutional behavior creates room for indefinite breaches of our liberties in the future
- The state of Minnesota and its residents suffered untold economic and developmental damage from the mismanagement of a power-hungry, willfully-negligent, and overextended Governor
- An unchecked loss of liberty now would embolden those that desire to trounce on our freedom for political, financial, or personal gain
- The greater the power delegated to an executive, the greater their ability to abuse these powers or enhance our suffering in proportion to their shortcomings

### What's in the platform now:

9 – Make Government Smaller and Better

Emergency powers exercised by a Governor are meant to be short in duration. The powers require authorization from both chambers of the legislature for renewal or any extension. If that approval is not given, the powers must expire.

<b>Resolution number</b>	9-2
<b>Short description</b>	Support local control of election data and processes (including hand-counting)
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	9 - Make Government Smaller and Better
<b>Submitted by</b>	4 precincts
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b>

**Resolution:**

We support local control of election data and processes through: city-established precincts of <2,000 registered voters and corresponding polling locations; city management of election judge hiring, training, scheduling, operations, payroll, and associated data; establishment of city-managed Ballot Boards and Election Day hand-counting of races and referendums; city-managed Post Election Reviews (PER) sample for all contested races; and county-only control of their residents' voter information and ballot issuance in the State Voter Registration System.

This position is supported for the following reasons.

- The majority of people no longer trust the elections and the reported results.
- Control for election processes and reporting has shifted to higher levels of government or to Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) which are not subject to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.
- Currently most election contests are not validated after the election with the State mandated PER.
- We The People not only have the right to vote, but we also have the right to understand, observe, and participate in the process of counting votes and validating vote counts reported.
- These changes will make elections more secure, transparent, and trustworthy for and to the public.
- These measures provide local control and management to more closely ensure integrity in process and execution.

**What's in the platform now:**

9 - Make Government Smaller and Better  
 We must improve polling place procedures, specifically voter registration practices.

<b>Resolution number</b>	9-3
<b>Short description</b>	Oppose electronic and NGO (Non-Government Organization) involvement in election processes and reporting
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	9 - Make Government Smaller and Better
<b>Submitted by</b>	4 precincts
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b>

**Resolution:**

We oppose electronic and NGO (Non-Government Organization) involvement in election processes and reporting. We support locally stored Election Judges' personal data; we do not support NGO access to Election Judges' personal data. We support paper ballots to hand-mark selections on the ballot. We support hand-counting of votes for all races that involve more than one candidate and on all referendums on the ballots. We support paper-only poll books. We do not support electronic tabulators or electronic poll pads.

This position is supported for the following reasons.

- The majority of people do not trust the elections and their reported results.
- There is a growing trend to turn control of election processes and reporting over to organizations that are outside of government. These Non-Government Organizations (NGO's) are not subject to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.
- The current process includes external electronic communication access to the precinct elections by way of the Electronic poll pads and Electronic Tabulators. All external electronic communication to the precinct needs to be eliminated.
- We The People not only have the right to vote, but we also have the right to understand, observe, and participate in the process of counting votes and validating vote counts reported.
- These changes will make elections more secure, transparent, and trustworthy for and to the public.
- These measures ensure local control and management to more closely ensure integrity in process and execution.

**What's in the platform now:**

9 - Make Government Smaller and Better  
 We support keeping government functions in state, local or private hands, electing honest and responsive legislative bodies, advocating for fair election processes, and generally making government smaller and better.  
 We must improve polling place procedures, specifically voter registration practices.  
 We support prohibiting local governments from accepting or using any non-governmental, third-party, or private money, grants, or gifts from outside sources to assist in the administration of an election.

<b>Resolution number</b>	9-4
<b>Short description</b>	Voter integrity and removal of driver's licenses from illegals
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	9 - Make Government Smaller and Better
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b> (already in the platform)

**Resolution:**

Voter integrity requires the removal of driver's licenses for illegals in Minnesota.

**What's in the platform now:**

9 - Make Government Smaller and Better

We must improve polling place procedures, specifically voter registration practices.

10 – Defend America at Home and Abroad

...we support ... Limiting access of illegal immigrants to employment, public benefits, scholarships, subsidies of any kind, driver's licenses, permits, identification cards or taxpayer identification numbers.

<b>Resolution number</b>	9-5
<b>Short description</b>	Support hand-counting all ballots on election night
<b>Document</b>	Platform
<b>Section (plank)</b>	9 - Make Government Smaller and Better
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Do not adopt</b>

**Resolution:**

Ballots should be hand-counted the night of the election.

**What's in the platform now:**

9 - Make Government Smaller and Better

We must improve polling place procedures, specifically voter registration practices.

**Section 10 – Defend America at Home and Abroad**

*From platform Statement of Principles:*

We believe that we can maintain peace by having a strong national defense, securing our borders and by seeking principled international relationships.

<b>Resolution number</b>	10-1
<b>Short description</b>	Oppose WHO Pandemic Agreement
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	10 - Defend America at Home and Abroad
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Adopt</b>

**Resolution:**

WHEREAS, executive agreements not brought before the Senate for approval are still binding on the parties under international law; and WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Constitution, Article 2, section 2, a U.S. treaty requires a 2/3 vote by the Senate for consideration and approval; and WHEREAS, the United Nations World Health Organization (WHO) Pandemic Agreement under consideration should be considered a "treaty" and not bypass Congress; and

Whereas, former President Obama set the precedent to bypass Congress by unilaterally signing America on to the Paris Agreement on August 29, 2016, a binding international agreement on "climate change";

WHEREAS, the result of the President signing the U.S. on to the WHO Pandemic Agreement would effectively hand U.S. Sovereignty over to the United Nations and end the First Amendment to the United States, giving the WHO the power to decide what is a public health emergency within the U.S. and what actions would be required as well as enforced to control the WHO-defined public health emergency in the U.S.;

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that the U.S. Congress prevent the President from signing the U.S. on to the WHO Pandemic Agreement by the U.S. House defunding the WHO; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the U.S. Senate demand any international agreement involving the WHO or any other international organization to be presented for a vote.

**What's in the platform now:**

7 - Strengthen the Rule of Law:

We oppose legislation by executive order, judicial rulings, or unelected regulatory agencies.

10 - Defend America at Home and Abroad

We oppose any surrender of U.S. sovereignty or liberty through the United Nations or its initiatives, such as: ...All United States participation in the United Nations.

We seek to maintain commercial, cultural and diplomatic ties with many nations while also promoting American industry and commerce.

<b>Resolution number</b>	10-2
<b>Short description</b>	Reaffirm unequivocal support for the State of Israel
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	10 - Defend America at Home and Abroad
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	Adopt

**Resolution:**

Resolved,

The Republican Party of Minnesota reaffirms its unequivocal support of America’s strategic ally, the State of Israel, as set forth in the Party’s “Declaration of Support and Israel Position Paper,” adopted unanimously by the State Central Committee at the Party’s State Convention in Rochester in May, 2022. We repudiate and reject the resolution adopted by the DFL-controlled Minneapolis City Council in January, calling for an “immediate cease fire in Gaza,” and for the termination of all U.S. military aid to Israel, without containing any condemnation of Hamas’ atrocities committed in Israel on October 7. We thank and commend Council members Michael Rainville, LaTrisha Vetaw, and Linea Palmisano, for their courageous action in voting against this deplorable resolution.

Israel must be free to take whatever military action it deems necessary to destroy and liquidate completely the Hamas terror organization, whose depravity and barbarism on October 7 resulted in the slaughter, burning, rape, and beheadings, and hostage taking, of innocent Israeli civilians, and Americans.

There should be no “cease fire” unless and until all of Hamas’ assets and personnel have been finally eliminated, and Israeli control of Gaza established.

**What’s in the platform now:**

10 – Defend America at Home and Abroad

We continue to support the right of the State of Israel to exist and to defend itself.

<b>Resolution number</b>	10-3
<b>Short description</b>	Oppose tax dollars going to support or maintenance of illegals
<b>Document</b>	Platform item
<b>Section (plank)</b>	10 - Defend America at Home and Abroad
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	Do not adopt (already in the platform)

**Resolution:**

No tax dollars will go to the support or maintenance of illegals in the state.

**What’s in the platform now:**

10 - Defend America at Home and Abroad

... we support ... Opposition to any program allowing illegal aliens to remain in the United States.

... Limiting access of illegal immigrants to employment, public benefits, scholarships, subsidies of any kind, driver’s licenses, permits, identification cards or taxpayer identification numbers.

<b>Resolution number</b>	10-4
<b>Short description</b>	Support continued military and economic aid to Ukraine
<b>Document</b>	Action Agenda
<b>Section (plank)</b>	10 - Defend America at Home and Abroad
<b>Submitted by</b>	1 precinct
<b>Recommendation</b>	Adopt

**Resolution:**

Because of the importance of supporting Ukraine and preventing Russia from successfully invading a peaceful neighbor, the United States should continue to provide military and economic aid to Ukraine at funding levels equal to our greater than the aid provided in 2023.

**What’s in the platform now:**

10 - Defend America at Home and Abroad

We believe foreign aid should, in most cases, be in the form of American goods, commodities and services.