Report of the SD12 Temporary Resolutions Committee March 2024

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The Temporary Resolutions Committee, having met and discussed the resolutions submitted, finds and recommends that the following resolutions be adopted by the 2024 Senate District 12 Convention in Denton County, Texas.

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We support the adoption of the 2022 Platform of the Republican Party of Texas with the following changes and additions:

Constitutional Issues

Amended Planks:

None.

Additional Planks:

1. Opposing an Article V Convention

The Republican Party of Texas strongly opposes the convening of a convention for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States for the reason that the risk of loss far exceeds the possibility of gain from such an unlimited and uncontrollable sovereign assembly. (Unlike the convention convened to modify the Articles of Confederation, the states would play no role in the actual convention except to apply to the federal Congress to call one and to ratify the amendments. Note that the same officials who rarely, if ever, pass constitutionally sound legislation today would likely have the whole Constitution placed in their hands. The label, "Convention of States," plays on people's sentimental ideas about the previous convention, not as described in Article V itself.)

2. Allow the Legislature to Call for a Special Legislative Session

We support an Amendment to the Texas Constitution Article 4, Section 8 that legislators may also convene the legislature on extraordinary occasions to address specific matters of urgency by a petition signed by a simple majority of the members in both chambers.

3. **Right to Bear Arms**

The Republican Party of Texas reaffirms the right of individual United States citizens to keep and bear arms, as guaranteed by the 2nd Amendment to the United States Constitution and opposes any and all legislation which would restrict that right. All federal acts, laws, executive orders, administrative orders, court orders, rules, and regulations, whether past, present, or future, which infringe on the people's right to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and by Article 1, Section 23 of the Texas Constitution, shall be invalid in Texas, shall not be recognized by Texas, shall be specifically rejected by Texas, and shall be considered null and void and of no effect in Texas. The state of Texas recognizes that Article VI sets forth that "This Constitution, and

the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof...shall be the supreme Law of the Land." Therefore, nullification is the remedy for unconstitutional laws. Federal acts which would be considered "null and void and of no effect" include, but are not limited to:

- a) Any tax, levy, fee, stamp, or regulation of the production thereof, imposed on firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition not common to all other goods and services which might reasonably be expected to -create a chilling effect on the purchase or ownership of those items by law-abiding citizens;
- b) Any registering or tracking of firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition which might reasonably be expected to create a chilling effect on the purchase or ownership of those items by law-abiding citizens;
- c) Any registering or tracking of the owners of firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition which might reasonably be expected to create a chilling effect on the purchase or ownership of those items by law-abiding citizens;
- d) Any act forbidding the possession, ownership, or use or transfer of a firearm, firearm accessory, or ammunition by law-abiding citizens; and
- e) Any act ordering the confiscation of firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition from law-abiding citizens.

4. Sovereignty of the Church

The Republican Party acknowledges that the Church is a God-ordained institution with a sphere of authority separate from that of civil government and thus the Church stands wholly outside of the regulation, control, restraint, or taxation by any level of civil government.

5. The Legitimate Function of Civil Government

The Republican Party supports this historic concept, enshrined in the Constitution by our nation's Founding Fathers, of limited civil government jurisdiction under the laws of God and repudiates any doctrine (including, but not limited to, communism, socialism, Marxism, crony capitalism) that the state is sovereign over the affairs of the citizens, and over the family and over the Church.

6. Religious Liberty and Free Speech

Republicans demand that Texas judges and legislators uphold and defend our Godgiven unalienable rights of religious liberty and freedom of speech, and oppose any effort to intimidate and prevent people of faith from exercising these rights which the civil government is required, by the First Amendment, to protect.

7. Constitutional Amendment to Grant Attorney General Power

The Republican Party of the State of Texas supports a Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Attorney General to take over any case where the County District Attorney

refuses to enforce state law and refuses to prosecute those who are accused with ample evidence of violating state laws.

8. Constitutional Amendment to Grant Governor power to Replace District Attorneys

The Republican Party of the State of Texas supports a Constitutional Amendment granting the Governor the power to replace District Attorneys who show a pattern of refusing to enforce state laws or who refuse to prosecute those who violate state laws for example: refusing to prosecute shoplifters or election fraud cases.

9. Abolish the Federal Reserve and the IRS

The Republican Party calls for the abolition of the Federal Reserve and the IRS.

Business, Commerce, & Transportation

None.

Additional Planks:

Amended Planks:

10. **Opposing Climate Mandates**

We require local, state and federal lawmakers to prohibit the imposition of the Green New Deal, any part of Vision Zero, Net Zero, and Agenda 2030.

11. Opposing Kill Switch Mandate in Biden Infrastructure Bill

We demand our state and federal lawmakers, with all haste, to prohibit a government-mandated kill switch or other device designed to cease a vehicle's operation remotely; and we demand our officials proceed with urgency to protect Americans' constitutional rights by stopping this federal mandate.

12. **Right-To-Work**

The Republican Party mandates that the State of Texas maintain its Right-To-Work Law.

13. Communication Identification Verification Reliability

It is impossible to use communication services without the provider granting access for the user to the portals and communication routes. Thus every user is "known" as a user and therefore identifiable. Every user should then be verifiable as presented by the provider. Providers should be responsible for reliable identification and tracing of any user of their communication services, with the liability of damages caused by untraceable

users. Any person or organization involved in political canvassing or polling must be required to identify themselves and the entity that they are employed by.

14. Expand and Enforce (MCOOL) Mandatory Country of Origin Labeling

Expand and Enforce (MCOOL) Mandatory Country of Origin Labeling for all meat products sold in the USA. Ensure MCOOL for animals that are born, raised and slaughtered in the United States.

15. Prohibit the Intentional Release of Polluting Emissions

Prohibit the intentional release of polluting emissions and SAI (stratospheric aerosol injection) geoengineering, including cloud seeding, weather modification, excessive electromagnetic radio frequency/ microwave (RF/MW) radiation in the atmosphere above Texas and in the United States.

16. **Public Safety**

At 80 years of age, individuals with a valid driver's license should be required to test and pass an exam every 2 years to continue with driving privileges. At age 80 and beyond, individuals should only be permitted to have a year of driving experience before another test is administered and passed. Thus, at age 80, the term of a valid drivers license should not be 8 years for a re-test as the aging process is active and decline can be monitored closely for the safety of others.

17. Limitations on Eminent Domain

No town, city, or municipality may acquire property not within its situs by eminent domain.

18. **Prohibit Selling Lists for Marketing**

No local, county, city or state agency may sell any lists of property owners, vehicle owners/registration, voter registration or other lists for any marketing purposes to third parties.

19. Elimination of Double Taxation on Minerals

It is illegal to tax any mineral rights reserves that remain in the ground or unrealized capital gains until such reserves and/or other assets are sold.

20. Gold and Silver as Legal Tender

The Republican Party of the State of Texas encourages the Texas Legislature to make Gold and Silver legal tender in the State of Texas.

21. **Protect Political Beliefs**

We urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation amending the Labor Code to include "political belief" as a protected trait and class within the code.

Finance

Amended Planks:

None.

Additional Planks:

22. Support for a "No-Growth" Budget

The Republican Party of Texas supports freezing the growth of the state budget completely, until wasteful agencies and programs have been abolished and a sustainable size of government is restored.

23. Curtailing Local Government Spending

The Republican Party of Texas supports imposing a spending cap on all local government jurisdictions that are bound by the metric of population and inflation, much like the state government is supposed to abide, as government should not grow beyond the population it is intended to serve; and the Republican Party of Texas supports lowering the voter-approval tax rate in relation to property tax to that of the No-New-Revenue tax rate; and the Republican Party of Texas supports freezing the school district Maintenance & Operations (M&O) tax rate until compressed to zero.

24. Eliminating the Property Tax

The Republican Party of Texas supports eliminating the property tax system and the idea of paying perpetual rent to the government; and the Republican Party of Texas supports finding other sources of existing revenue to fund important government services, including but not limited to, cutting government spending, using existing budget surpluses, and usage fees.

25. Abolition of DEI in Every Texas Taxpayer-Funded Institution

The Republican Party of Texas calls for the abolition and suspension of any program that engages in illegal discrimination in every taxpayer-funded Texas institution (including but not limited to, law enforcement, universities, medical schools, K-12 public education) and any business and NGO receiving taxpayer funds, specifically by making it ILLEGAL to have any DEI program, policy, paid sessions or courses given by any outside vendor promoting DEI using taxpayers'

money, and also calls for withholding STATE FUNDS if any given institution refuses to follow the law. (DEI includes any program that engages in illegal discrimination.)

26. Eliminate Pensions for Elected Officials

Elected officials shall not receive pensions, but rather have the option of participating in a 401k, IRA, or other market-exposed retirement plan.

27. Property Tax Double Dipping of Rate and Appraised Value

Until property taxes are eliminated, any increase in ad valorem tax rates should not increase in any tax year that has had a corresponding increase in appraised value of the underlying real property or land. In tax years where the appraised value of real property or land depreciates from the preceding year, ad valorem tax rates may only be adjusted so as to produce the same amount of revenue as the preceding year. Such an increase may only be sustained for the year in which it was applied and shall revert to the same ad valorem rate as it was during the most recent year when the appraised value of real property or land last appreciated.

28. Truth in Taxation

Any bond election at any level of government in Texas must state on the ballot "This is a tax increase" in bold print.

Education

Amended Planks:

29. Local Control for Sex Education

The state of Texas Republican party should amend 2022 RPT Platform Plank #126 as a Local Control for Sex Education plank:

<u>Plank #126. Local Control for Sex Education (Education):</u> The State of Texas should remove the conflict between law and administrative code to provide clarity that a local school district may choose to NOT teach Human Sexuality Instruction. The State of Texas should adopt changes to Texas Education Code 28.004 to require:

- a. every member of the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) to be appointed by the Board of Trustees,
- b. the majority of the SHAC to be parents of students within the district who are not related to district employees,

- c. and the majority of the parent members to be present for business to be conducted.
- d. SHAC meetings, committees, and subcommittees must be open to the public, documented, recorded, and posted on the district website in complete, unaltered, and audibly clear form.

Districts must not use Chapter 12A Districts of Innovation to exempt themselves from Texas Education Code 28.004.

30. School Choice

Plank 101 shall be amended to add: School choice shall be a freedom in the state of Texas.

Additional Planks:

31. Common-sense Repeal of School District Sovereign Immunity

The Texas Legislature must, with haste, enact common-sense repeal of sovereign immunity for school districts and "professional school employees" when they commit sexual or violent crimes against a student.

32. Establish the Office of Inspector General of Public Education

We implore the Legislature to create an independent Office of Inspector General of Education, appointed by a majority vote of the elected State Board of Education, to investigate fraud, waste, abuse, and violations of parental rights and student due process rights; and to propose and assure enforcement of Texas laws, including the Texas Education Code, Texas Family Code, Texas Penal Code, and other laws, when they occur in a Texas public school setting.

33. Uphold Constitutional Due Process in Student Disciplinary Proceedings

The Texas Legislature shall demand that, prior to disciplinary decisions and actions, constitutional due process protections of presumption of innocence until proven guilty, and evidentiary standards which prove beyond reasonable doubt that a crime or code-of-conduct violation has been committed shall be required for minors enrolled in Texas public and charter schools. Students shall not be subject to disciplinary consequences without such due process.

34. Parent's Right to Know and Consent

We implore the Texas Legislature to mandate that the State Board of Education create a parent handbook stating that parents have the right to be fully informed about, inspect, and opt in to each and every mental and physical health treatment, instruction and all instructional and counseling resources and materials, student

surveys, school activities, and presentations. This handbook shall include relevant Texas and federal laws, school district policies related to parental rights and consent, open meetings requirements, complaint procedures, and freedom-of-information requests, and shall be published on each school district website, and printed copies shall be made available to parents and guardians.

35. Removing SEL and Other Forms of Psychological from Schools

We mandate the Texas legislature to prohibit use of Social Emotional Learning programs, and other quasi-therapeutic programs in schools, strike Social Emotional Learning competencies from the Texas Education Code, and mandate them to return academics to its place as the primary mission of public education.

36. Require the U.S. Constitution as a Core Subject

The Texas Legislature shall require a core U.S. Constitution course for all publicly funded U.S. higher education institutions. Upon completion and passing of said U.S. Constitution class, each student will receive a copy of the Constitution. The Texas Legislature shall enact legislation making Civics Education and Biblical Citizenship a required class throughout our Primary and Secondary education system in Texas.

37. **Prohibiting Sexual Indoctrination**

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon the Texas Legislature to pass criminal laws prohibiting the teaching and indoctrination of any sexual lifestyle in public or private schools.

38. Parental Rights

The Republican Party opposes all attempts by the state or local government to interfere with parental rights in education; and we further support maintaining the present status of private, parochial, and home schools free from state government control.

39. Teach Texas Children

Republicans demand that Texas include in our children's education the dangers of adopting ideologies including, but not limited to, communism, socialism, marxism, crony capitalism, globalism, unlimited government, and dictatorships. We ask that they especially name China and Cuba as communist countries.

40. **Higher Education**

No public university, community college or institutions of higher education may accept monies directly or indirectly from foreign entities or countries (i.e. corporations, countries, dignitaries) that are deemed hostile to the United States.

41. Hiring Guidelines for School Administration

The administrative staff must be adjusted to reflect the student/teacher population to eliminate the arbitrary hiring of administrative staff.

42. Defund Anti-American and Anti-Semitic Education

We call for an audit of all grant programs run by universities to eliminate the diversion of public funds to universities encouraging partisan political activism, including but not limited to, "ESG," "decolonization," "action research," and related attempts to launder activism through a veneer of research and teaching. Anti-American and Anti-Semitic university departments are to be terminated from publicly funded Higher Education Institutions.

Health and Human Services

Amended Planks:

43. Regulate Pornography to Protect Children

The state of Texas Republican party should amend Plank #161 on Regulate Pornography:

Plank 161. Regulate Pornography: We call upon our state and federal elected leaders to require all websites displaying pornographic content in Texas to implement age verification for preventing minors from accessing the content, and to provide and pursue effective enforcement mechanisms. Exceptions should not be allowed based on percentage of site content, social media sites, or news gathering organizations. Texas Civil law should impose civil liability on perpetrators of obscenity, including child pornography, providing those harmed by obscenity a civil remedy against those responsible. In addition, Texas should require manufacturers to default to "clean" vs "explicit" toggles on devices activated in the state of Texas.

44. **Drugs - Public Health Concern**

Plank 159 shall be amended as follows:

Add the following statement to the beginning of plank 159: Drugs are a public health concern. Due to the public health concern, it is imperative that barriers to accessing essential health information be removed and penalties be enforced on those who deny information about the risks, recovery options, and/or wellness alternatives. Health alerts through news media, press releases, public service announcements, and commercials will be restored.

Add the following at the end of plank 159:

In accordance with the existing laws, rights, and liberties, those seeking recovery cannot be denied a faith-based treatment option that complies with health and safety standards.

45. **Drug Classification**

Plank 160 shall be amended to read:

- A) The U.S. Congress shall move cocaine from the list of Schedule II and move to Schedule I due to reported adverse health effects, including first and second-hand effects.
- B) Congress shall keep cannabis on Schedule I due to reported adverse health effects.
- C) Congress shall place fentanyl on Schedule I due to reported adverse health effects, including first and second-hand effects.
- D) Congress shall place opium on Schedule I due to reported adverse health effects, including first and second-hand effects.

Additional Planks:

46. Support of Vaccine Choice

The Texas Legislature must:

- Ban all vaccine mandates by all public and private entities,
- Prevent Texas employers from hiring, promoting, or firing workers or volunteers based solely on vaccination status,
- Prohibit students of any age or field of study from being denied educational opportunities based on vaccination status,
- Prohibit the denial of any public service or benefit based on vaccination status,
- Prohibit the denial of emergency or life-saving medical care based on vaccination status,
- Reject any attempts to mandate, force, or coerce any medical test, procedure, or product, including vaccines or masks, on any Texan who is a U.S. citizen, and
- Preserve the statutorily protected right of Texans to utilize the Texas Exemption from Immunizations for Reasons of Conscience Affidavit without scrutiny or adverse action.

47. School Surveys/Mental Health Screenings and Parental Consent

The Republican Party of Texas opposes data-mining through mental or emotional or wellbeing surveys, screenings, or check-ins for minors in schools and implores the legislature to adopt parental opt-in prior to ANY psychological questions. In addition to rights-implications, these activities represent an invasion of privacy. If such activities must be done in a school setting, general education students shall be afforded the same stringent due process, parental rights protections, and procedural safeguards as students enrolled in Special Education. The legislature should adopt firm penalties for violation of parental rights in school health or mental health services.

48. **Defund Pornography**

The state of Texas Republican party should adopt a plank on Defund Porn:

<u>Plank xxx. Defund Porn.</u> The State of Texas has the authority to and should regulate how federal funds are used that pass through the Texas state budget such as Title V funding. The Texas legislature should codify federal statute similar to Children's Internet Protection Act into Texas law. The State of Texas regulatory bodies should not contract with vendors that refuse to filter content to protect children from objectionable material. The State of Texas can and should require school districts to only contract with vendors that filter content to protect children from harmful materials. Schools shall be fined for every incident of porn that appears on a school device. The vendor of such devices and software shall have their contract severed under force majeure.

49. **Repeal ObamaCare**

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon Congress to repeal Obama Care and further calls upon the U.S. Congress to pass legislation which would encourage businesses to promote and participate in Health Saving Accounts for employees who are United States citizens or legal residents, allowing the free enterprise system to operate effectively.

50. Transforming the Texas Medical Board/Medical Freedom

Texas State Legislature must transform the Texas Medical Board (TMB) by adopting the provisions in the Texas Medical Practice Act which would:

- A) Protect the patients' rights to choose natural solutions to their health problems and the physicians' rights to provide natural solutions for health problems.
- B) Eliminate confidential complaints against physicians.

- C) Eliminate anonymous medical witnesses against physicians.
- D) Mandate legal due process in all TMB proceedings.
- E) Allow the doctor the right to choose to have a complaint against him tried in a state district court rather than in an administrative law court.
- F) Forbid TMB members from working for insurance, pharmaceutical companies or hospitals while serving on the board in order to prevent conflict of interest.
- G) Prohibit intimidation tactics by TMB lawyers against physicians.
- H) Prohibit TMB members from being a lobbyist for five years before and after serving on the board.

51. **Health Insurance**

Congress will receive the same health insurance they vote/ have voted to provide the majority of the public (e.g., Obamacare).

Criminal and Civil Justice

Amended Planks:

52. Repeal Obscenity Exemption

Plank #172 shall be amended as follows:

<u>172. Obscenity Exemption:</u> We call upon the Texas Legislature to abolish the educational justification as an affirmative defense to prosecution for the sale, distribution or display of harmful material to minors in Texas Penal Code 43.24(c) and 43.25(f)(2-3). The State of Texas shall repeal all Texas laws based on the research by Dr. Alfred Kinsey and/or the Kinsey Institute and prosecute violations of Texas Penal Code 43.24 and 43.25 to the fullest extent of the law, removing sovereign immunity from school districts when these offenses occur in an educational setting, on school-provided devices or via their educational resources.

Additional Planks:

53. Judges Are Required to Give Their Rationale on the Record

All judges shall be required to state their rationale for their final decision on the record.

54. Mandatory Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law

All courts should be required to immediately validate and produce a mandatory Finding of Facts and Conclusions of Law for every substantive decision or final ruling in a case.

55. Certified Shorthand Reporter in All In-Camera Hearings

All courts shall be required to employ a certified shorthand reporter in all camera hearings, preserving the record in all transactions with the judge for any case.

56. Citizen Oversight of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct

The State Commission on Judicial Conduct shall henceforth be composed of 13 voting members either appointed by the Governor of the State of Texas and confirmed by the Senate or elected by the public and 1 member appointed by the Supreme Court, this latter member acting only in an advisory capacity.

57. Appropriate Staffing of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct

The State Commission on Judicial Conduct shall increase its staff levels to reflect the size of the Texas Judiciary and maintain staffing levels within geographic regional boundaries to adequately address the number of complaints received on a yearly basis.

58. Demanding Transparency from the State Commission on Judicial Conduct

State Commission on Judicial Conduct shall henceforth make public any and all complaints, findings, and conclusions, and additionally justifying all such findings and conclusions of the Commission, publishing these each month in an online format that is accessible to the public.

59. Demanding Audio and Video in All Courts

All courts should be required to maintain and utilize audio and video in all cases, at all times on and off the record, preserving said cases in digital format made available without charge as a public service, and that parties with whom the suit occurs can access those video and audio recordings.

60. No Protected Class Status Granted based on Sexual Activities

No one should be granted protected class status based upon their sexual activities or proclivities, and the Texas Legislature should strengthen and enforce criminal penalties against individuals who participate in deviant sexual activities. All court orders, federal acts, laws, executive orders, administrative orders, rules, and regulations, whether past, present, or future, which infringe upon the right of the people of Texas to criminalize deviant sexual behavior shall be invalid in Texas, shall not be recognized by Texas, shall be specifically rejected by Texas, and shall be considered null and void and of no effect in Texas.

61. **Prohibiting Drag Queen Story Hour**

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon the Texas Legislature to pass criminal laws prohibiting sexually oriented displays including Drag Queen Story Hour and penalizing

for pedophilia, any person, performers, and anyone, including parents, who exposes children to this perverted activity.

62. Prosecute Criminal Offenses of Illicit Substance Abuse

Individuals/corporations/gangs or cartels tied to criminal offenses of illicit substance abuse shall be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

63. **Deport Illegal Aliens**

Any illegal alien, a person without a valid US citizenship, shall immediately be deported.

64. Gender Modification of Minors

The performing of gender modification procedures or therapies on minors shall be considered felony unlawful conduct in the State of Texas.

State Affairs

Amended Planks:

65. Protect Data Privacy of Texas Students

Plank #203 should be amended by adding that the Texas legislature shall protect student data by performing the following:

- Codify federal COPPA into Texas law through age 18;
- Codify federal PPRA into Texas law with enforcement mechanism;
- Protect student data privacy and prohibit the selling of data by passing legislation similar to Illinois and New York statute;
- Provide right of Access, Rectification, Deletion, Restriction, Portability, Opt-Out of Sales, and Against Automated Decision Making and Private Right of Action similar to California's CPRA and CCPA;
- Require citizens to OPT IN for the collection of personally identifiable data, prohibit government agencies, for profit companies, and non-profit companies from selling data, and provide private right of action for enforcement similar to INTRODUCED Oklahoma 2022 Regular HB 2969; and
- Protect consumer rights including access, rectification, deletion, restriction of
 processing, and data portability, require notice and obtain verifiable consumer
 "opt-in" consent, including parent or eligible student, before collecting and
 processing a consumer's personal information for the first time, codify duties
 of care, loyalty, and confidentiality, and provide private right of action similar
 to Massachusetts Information Privacy Act (MIPA).

• Nullify/repeal Texas Business and Commerce Code Section 509.002(b)(1 through 10), as amended by HB 18 of 88th Regular Session (Securing Children Online through Parental Empowerment Act).

66. **Divorce**

The Republican Party of Texas should affirm Plank #214 on Divorce:

<u>Plank #214. Divorce:</u> We urge the Legislature to rescind unilateral no-fault divorce laws, to support covenant marriage, and to pass legislation extending the period of time in which a divorce may occur to six months after the date of filing for divorce.

Additional Planks:

67. Display of Flags on Tax-Funded Properties

We urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation stating that a governmental entity or a political subdivision may not erect or display a flag that represents a political viewpoint, including but not limited to, a politically partisan, racial, sexual orientation, and gender identity flag.

68. **Same-sex Parenting**

The Republican Party of Texas should adopt a plank on Same-sex Parenting:

<u>Plank #xxx. Same-sex Parenting:</u> We are opposed to same-sex parenting and depriving a child of a mother or father.

69. Adoption

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon the State Legislature to only allow children to be adopted by married heterosexual couples.

70. Family and Marriage

The Republican Party of Texas resolves that all attempts to weaken or undermine the family must be opposed, and that all court orders, federal acts, laws, executive orders, administrative orders, rules, and regulations, whether past, present, or future, which infringe upon the right of the people of Texas to define marriage as only a union between one man and one women, shall be invalid in Texas, shall not be recognized by Texas, shall be specifically rejected by Texas, and shall be considered null and void and of no effect in Texas.

71. **Gender Identity**

In Texas a person's gender shall be defined as either male or female. A male shall be defined as someone who has an X chromosome and Y chromosome, while a female shall be defined as someone who has two X chromosomes. The concept of transgenderism is false and perverted. The Texas legislature should pass criminal laws prohibiting the teaching of transgenderism in the schools.

72. Protection of Minors from Sex Change Treatments

The Republican Party of Texas resolves that the Texas Legislature enact legislation or the Texas Medical Board adopt a rule mandating the automatic revocation of the medical license of any physician who prescribes treatments or performs operations on a minor which is contrary to his or her gender, therefore a person's gender shall be defined as either male or female. A male shall be defined as someone who has an X chromosome and a Y chromosome, while a female shall be defined as someone who has two X chromosomes.

73. Support Reparative Therapy

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon the Texas Legislature to pass legislation that would protect the right of licensed therapists, psychologists and counselors to practice elective reparative therapy and to support clients of any age with sexual orientation change efforts.

74. No Democrat Chairs

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon the Lt. Governor and Speaker of the House to award committee chairmanships only to Republicans.

75. Appointment of Members of a Minority Party to Chair Committees of the Texas Legislature

The rules of the legislature should be amended so that the highest rank held by a member of a minority party in a legislative committee of the Texas Legislature shall not exceed that of ranking member. At no time shall a member of a minority party be appointed to serve as a committee chair or its equivalent.

76. **GOP State Committee Chair Requirements**

The Texas Legislature shall enact legislation preventing members of the minority party from chairing any committee granting them access to prevent the will of the people from being advanced.

77. End Daylight Savings Time

Put an end to daylight savings time for the state of Texas.

78. **Housing**

No child shall be removed from public school for the sake of housing illegal immigrants.

79. **Cyberwarfare**

Strict penalties shall be designed for those purporting to disrupt or engage in cyberwar lawfare. Persons, individuals, corporations and businesses shall be protected from cyberwarfare. Persons found guilty shall be prosecuted to the greatest extent of the law.

80. **Digital Passports**

Government issued digital passports and digital identification imposes extraordinary surveillance and privacy reducing capabilities to the government upon the citizenry. The use of such measures for the purposes of employment, commercial activity, recreation, free movement, religious practices, health care, record keeping, or compliance with government laws and/or regulations by any entity public or private shall be unlawful in the State of Texas.

81. Medical Mandates

The imposition of civil or private mandates of any medical procedure violates the ethical principles of voluntary informed consent as defined by the Nuremberg Code. The ordering or imposition of any such mandate by any party or entity public or private shall be unlawful as a felony in the State of Texas.

82. Lockdowns

The imposition of lockdowns, shelter in place orders, or any other similar decrees by government unduly infringes on the citizenry's right to freely move and travel. Any such order by any government or guideline by any government agency shall be unlawful in the State of Texas. Citizens may only be advised, but never compelled by force of law, decree, or executive order to involuntarily comply with such advice.

83. **Reform CPS**

We support reforms of the Child Protective Services (CPS) system that would protect due process rights including, but not limited to, (1) requiring findings for removal to be made by a preponderance of evidence; (2) prohibiting CPS from placing a person's name on the child abuse registry absent a final order rendered by a court of compentent jurisdiction in a case in which the court finds that the person committed abuse or neglect; and (3) applying the four corners doctrine to hearings in CPS cases.

84. Suit Affecting the Parent-child Relationship

We believe that, in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship between a parent and a nonparent, the state should not restrict or interfere with a parent's fundamental right to raise his or her children unless the restriction or interference is essential to further a compelling governmental interest and narrowly tailored to accomplish that compelling governmental interest. We further believe that, in such cases, any restriction on or interference by a court with a parent's fundamental right should be prohibited unless the parent is unfit or the interference is necessary to prevent a significant impairment of the child's physical health or emotional well being. We also believe that, in a suit for modification of an order that names a child's parent as the child's managing conservator, it is a rebuttable presumption that the parent acts in the best interest of the parent's child.

85. Stopping Environmental Modification Programs

The Republican Party of Texas moves that the State Legislature of Texas stop all current or future funding of any Weather Modification Programs or participation in any experimental Federal Programs such as (HAARP) High-Frequency Active Auroral Program. Further, RPT shall call for ending any funding or direct activity with any program that involves the manipulation of the weather including the introduction of dispersed materials into the atmosphere including metals, chemicals or any other foreign contaminants into the air that would be used for such plans of weather modification.

86. Accounting, Transparency, and Accountability for Municipal Subdivisions Be it resolved:

- A. All municipal subdivisions in the State of Texas will provide a full allocation summary of projected uses of funds in propositions presented for voting.
- B. All municipal subdivisions in the State of Texas will have transparency to account for the funds as well as fully allocate them in their counties and districts. City and state leaders will give facts to the public and full disclosure.
- C. All municipal subdivisions in the State of Texas will repay as principle any unused funds that were sent to city councils for intentions other than needed resources out of elections that were not provided in an allocation summary to the public.

Government and Election Integrity

Amended Planks:

87. **Prohibit Taxpayer-funded Lobbying**

Plank #232 shall be amended to read as follows:

We implore the Texas State Legislature to enact law that prohibits any political subdivision, including public school districts, from spending public funds (1) to hire an individual required to register as a lobbyist under Texas Government Code, Chapter 305 for the purpose of lobbying a member of the legislature; or (2) to pay a nonprofit state association or organization that: (A) primarily represents political subdivisions; and (B) hires or contracts with an individual required to register as a lobbyist under Chapter 305.

88. Support of Election Integrity

The platform of the Republican Party of Texas shall be changed in the following ways:

- 1. Plank 242 d should be modified to add "as well as prohibition of wireless read or write connectivity for electronic voting equipment during elections."
- 2. Plank 242 e should be amended to add "due to health, military service or travel out of the county during the election."
- 3. Plank 242 k should be amended to add "and to deter stuffing the ballot box."
- 4. Plank 242 n should be amended to add "Poll watcher training by the Secretary of State should be optional, although encouraged" and adding "Any U.S. citizen should be allowed to witness the election, the vote counting and ballot adjudication and use audio or video recording devices provided they do not impede the process nor comprise an individual voter's secret ballot."

Additional Planks:

89. Support of a Petition Process in the Texas Legislature

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon the Texas Legislature, when it next convenes, to write into the rules governing the Texas House of Representatives that there be a petition process, similar to that of the US House of Representatives and some other states, for legislators to petition a bill out of committee by getting a prescribed number of signatures of Representatives and have the bill sent to the floor with no changes within one week of presenting the petition with enough signatures to the Speaker.

90. Ban on Taxpayer-funded Lobbying

The Republican Party of Texas supports eliminating the ability for tax dollars to be used to hire lobbyists that lobby against the interests of taxpayers. The Republican Party of Texas supports a ban on the practice of taxpayer-funded lobbying.

91. Changes to Texas Election Code Chapter 65

We support changing the Texas Election Code Chapter 65 to allow each election authority:

- i. The flexibility to use and post video that documents the vote counting process, including video of each ballot and each counting station;
- ii. The option to use additional methods of hand counting that are more efficient, transparent, verifiable, and secure than the method currently set out in Chapter 65 of the Texas Election Code.

92. **Precinct Only Voting**

We support striking Chapter 43.007 COUNTYWIDE POLLING PLACE PROGRAM in the Texas Election Code and requiring PRECINCT ONLY voting for both in-person Early Voting and in-person Election Day Voting.

93. Discontinue Use of Electronic Equipment

The State of Texas shall discontinue all use of electronic equipment and return to the exclusive use of sequentially-numbered paper ballots, paper pollbooks, handmarked paper ballots counted by hand. All voting should be done exclusively in the voter's assigned precinct.

94. Electronic Equipment, Early Voting, Absentee Voting

The State of Texas shall discontinue all use of electronic pollbooks, voting equipment, and tabulation equipment and return to the exclusive use of paper ballots, paper pollbooks, counted by hand. All voting shall be done exclusively in the voter's assigned precinct and all counting should be conducted in the precinct on Election Day. Early voting should be eliminated entirely, and absentee voting should only be available to deployed members of the armed forces and those too ill to travel to the polls in person.

95. No Voting on Sundays

We urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation removing Sunday as an early voting day.

96. **Counting Votes**

All counting, including individual candidate counts, should be conducted publicly and shall include audio and video recording of all counting in each precinct on Election Day and that all counts for each county be posted individually and publicly on the county elections' website for verification by all interested parties. Further, once each county's votes are totaled, they are to be posted publicly on the Secretary of State's website for verification by all interested parties.

97. Elections Administrator Direct Report

The office of the Elections Administrator should be a direct report of a county wide elected County Clerk in the county in which they operate.

98. Contesting Election Outcomes

Any person who voted in or was a candidate in any election shall have legal standing to contest the outcome of an election and upon successfully demonstrating the merit of their complaint, shall be granted relief as merit warrants up to and including an independently conducted, full forensic audit of all election equipment, records, practices, and personnel.

99. Recalling an Elected Official

A mechanism for recalling any elected official shall be included in the Texas Constitution.

100. Electing the Secretary of State

The Secretary of State shall be elected by the People.

101. **Funding of Elections**

No funding from any NonGovernmental Organizations, Non Profits-foreign or domestic; and/or foreign governments shall be applied toward elections conducted in the United States.

102. Abolish Open Primary

Abolish Open Primary election and implement a Closed Primary.

103. Support Closed Primaries

The Republican Party of Texas supports closed primaries.

104. **Voter Integrity**

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon the Texas Republican Legislature to require that all registered voters are American citizens, that all voters show voter

ID in order to vote, and restore felony penalties and enact civil penalties for voter fraud, and oppose any federal attempt to take over state elections.

105. Limit the Texas Speaker of the House to One Term

The Republicans of Texas calls on all Republican State Representatives to support legislation to limit the number of a Speaker's terms to one term and to adopt this limit in the Texas Republican Party Platform.

106. Truth and Accountability

The Republican Party takes the Responsibility of being the Party of Truth and Accountability going forward.

107. **Visible Voting**

There be no "behind closed door" voting and all voting in the Senate and House, including committee votes, shall be recorded, accounted for, and visible to constituents.

108. Pay and Pension Raises

House and Senate representatives may no longer propose a bill or vote on a bill that would directly or indirectly increase their salary or pension. No state elected official, or first-degree family members, may be awarded or work on any contract involving taxpayer money. Reporting requirements shall be imposed for any extended family member of a state elected official.

109. **Voter Cleanup**

Voter rolls shall be cleaned every 2 years and maintained.

110. **Re-register to Vote**

Every 3 years (starting in 2024, or as soon as possible) the Board of Elections should clear the voter roll and everyone who has not voted in the last two years should be mandated to re-register for voting privileges.

111. State Holiday for Voting

For all federal and state elections to be held in the state of Texas, one common day for the state of Texas will be recognized as a state holiday, (not to exceed 3 per calendar year). This will assist with availability for voters and assist with voter security.

112. Felony Prosecution for Voter Fraud

Intentional Voting Fraud should be prosecuted as a felony for all political elections local through federal. This includes intentional false representation to obtain a ballot, intentionally fraudulently submitting a ballot, intentionally presenting false eligibility to vote.

113. Committee on Election Integrity

The Republican Party of Texas shall create a Standing committee on Election Integrity. This committee is to coordinate activities with the County Parties, provide financial resources, technology resources such as "fractal analysis" and voter roll data recovery.

114. Standardize Pay for Election Officials

In an effort to standardize pay, elections held, whether by the State Board of Elections or the Party Proper shall demonstrate commensurate/equal pay from each body to the election officials.

115. Legislative Vote Record

The rules of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall be amended to prohibit the practice of state legislators in the House of Representatives and the Senate being able to change their recorded vote on a bill or amendment after the vote has been taken so long as it does not change the outcome of passage or failure.

116. **Resolution to Amend SB 14**

SB-14 shall be amended to delete Section 7 thereof.

117. Official State Confection

The Texas Pecan Truffle should be the Official Confection of the State of Texas.

National Defense and Foreign Affairs

Amended Planks:

None.

Additional Planks:

118. Break all U.S. Ties to the United Nations

We urge Texas Congressmen and Senators to:

A) Repeal United Nations participation act of 1945

- B) Repeal the "United Nations Headquarters agreement act", Joint resolution of August 4th, 1947,
- C) Repeal US participation in the World Health Organization (22 U.S.C. 290),

And pass legislation to:

- A) Terminate membership to the United Nations,
- B) End all appropriations of funds to the United Nations,
- C) End U.S. participation in all United Nations peace keeping missions,
- D) End United Nations occupation and use of U.S. government property,
- E) End all funding and cooperation with United Nations affiliated agencies.

119. **National Sovereignty**

The Republican Party of Texas rejects the United Nations, New World Order, One World Government and The Great Reset. We reaffirm the national sovereignty and independence of the United States of America.

120. **Immigration**

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon the Governor of Texas to deploy Texas military forces, the Texas Rangers, and other state law enforcement personnel to close the bridges across the Rio Grande, finish building the wall on our Southern border with Mexico, sealing the border, and deport illegal immigrants.

121. Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR)

The Republican Party of Texas calls upon all law enforcement and governmental agencies in Texas and in the Federal Government to avoid and suspend all contacts and outreach activities with the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR).

122. **Ban Foreign Investment**

The Texas Legislature shall:

- A) Ban Foreign Countries and Foreign Nationals from purchasing or investing in farm/ranch lands, including agricultural processing facilities located in the United States of America.
- B) Prohibit foreign countries and foreign nationals from purchasing or investing in U.S.A. feedlots, meat processing/packing facilities, and agriculture-related production operations.
- C) Require United States citizenship and ownership in order to protect America's food security and food safety.

123. Protect Texas Citizens

The land and maritime international borders with Mexico have been neglected by the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the State of Texas in times when the Federal Government of the United States fails to fully comply with and enforce federal laws pertaining to said borders, In such times the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the State of Texas shall become immediately obligated to use all powers delineated to them in the U.S. Constitution and the Texas Constitution with regard to international borders to protect the peace and security of the citizenry of Texas. Failure to do so by any official or government body shall constitute dereliction of duty to protect the citizens.

Additional Planks Proposed:

- 124. The Republican party promotes the republican form of government through a constitutional republic made up of the citizens of the American people.
- 125. The Republican party clarifies citizen as those with a legal birth from a natural-born or naturalized citizen(s) or through legal immigration having satisfied the burden under the law, and not having any additional citizenships to other nations, and not beholden to any international or foreign powers.
- 126. The Republican party, in agreement with the ratified Constitution for the United States of America, declares that all rights come from God alone and that citizens institute governments to secure their privileges and promote their own welfare and that of their posterity.
- 127. The Republican party, in agreement with the Supreme Court of the United States, makes it clear the government may not tax or infringe on rights, and the government may not impede a right so as to seize upon the creation of a taxable privilege.
- 128. The Republican party is neither a business nor a brand; and those seeking its membership or its endorsement may not seek it through sales or arbitrage.
- 129. The Republican party establishes voting is only for citizens of the United States of America.
- 130. The Republican party holds its elected officials to the same standard as it does for voting. Elected officials must be citizens of the United States of America and having no allegiances or obligations to foreign or international powers.

131. The Republican party concurs with the founding fathers of the United States of America that "Our constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." (John Adams).