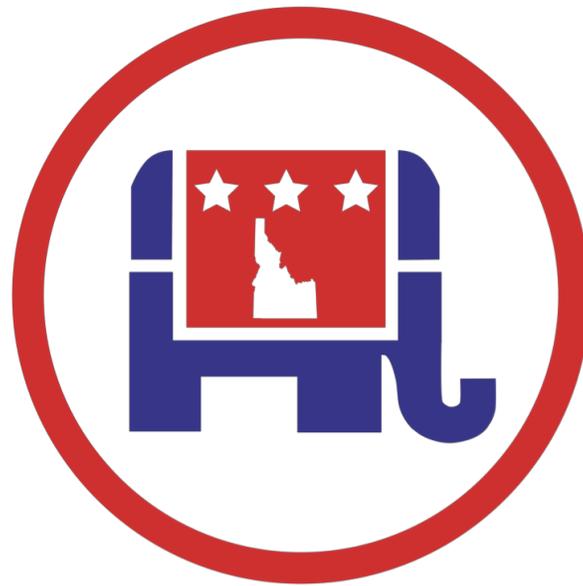


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Accepted Resolutions

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Resolution 2021-41

A resolution to honor and remember Rush Hudson Limbaugh

WHEREAS the venerable Rush H. Limbaugh passed away at 70 years of age on Wednesday, February 17, 2021;

WHEREAS Rush Limbaugh was one of the most influential voices in the history of radio;

WHEREAS every conservative life has at least in some way been touched by Mr. Limbaugh and his radio program;

WHEREAS Mr. Limbaugh educated his listeners far better than most educators in academia;

WHEREAS Mr. Limbaugh was one of the greatest positive influences on many successive oncoming generations;

WHEREAS Mr. Limbaugh was partly responsible for the conservative ascendancy;

WHEREAS Mr. Limbaugh was instrumental and invaluable in keeping government accountable;

WHEREAS Mr. Limbaugh was an important and monumental counterbalance against the competing ideas, and evils of, the times he was active;

WHEREAS the voice of Mr. Limbaugh has helped the Republican Party, sometimes directly, in fulfilling our mission of promoting the Republican philosophy, building and strengthening the Republican Party from the grassroots, or listener, on up, and even in some ways helped elect Republicans; and

WHEREAS indeed Mr. Limbaugh was not only a friend to the Republican Party, but to the Idaho Republican Party:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee, holding both the life and memory of Rush Hudson Limbaugh in the highest esteem, do wish to express its condolences to Mr. Limbaugh's friends and family;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee hold that his media (consisting of his radio show, books, television show, etc.) were some of the most important of their time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee directs its headquarters to forward a copy of this resolution to the estate or family of Rush Limbaugh.

Resolution 2021-42

A resolution to support the State of Mississippi in their attempt to protect life.

WHEREAS our Creator has endowed us with certain inalienable rights, including the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness;

WHEREAS the Idaho Constitution provides that “[a]ll men are by nature free and equal, and have certain inalienable rights, among which are enjoying and defending life and liberty; acquiring, possessing and protecting property; pursuing happiness and securing safety”;

WHEREAS unborn humans experience pain as early as the first trimester and embryological development shows that pain sensory mechanisms and neurophysiology are developed in gestational weeks six (6) through twenty (20);

WHEREAS the State of Mississippi has passed a law defending life and liberty by banning abortions after 15 weeks of gestation, with certain exceptions;

WHEREAS federal district and appellate courts have found the Mississippi law unconstitutional based on certain court precedent;

WHEREAS we believe the existing precedent creating a “right to an abortion” was not based on any specific enumerated constitutional right or any real historical unenumerated right;

WHEREAS we believe the cases establishing this precedent were erroneously decided;

WHEREAS the Supreme Court of the United States has agreed to hear the State of Mississippi’s appeal of the lower courts’ decisions;

WHEREAS we believe the so called “right to an abortion” should not trump a baby’s right to life;

WHEREAS we believe it is not in the best interests of the citizens of Idaho to have the federal courts decide when life begins;

WHEREAS we believe that the state legislature has the authority to outlaw murder by abortion;

WHEREAS we believe that states ought to be allowed to take into account the dignity of unborn children, women’s health, and the integrity of the medical profession, to pass pre-viability restrictions on abortions;

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WHEREAS the Governor of Idaho and the Idaho Attorney General have submitted amicus briefs on behalf of the State of Idaho in support of the State of Mississippi's attempt to protect life; and

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party believes abortion at any gestational period is murder:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee commends Idaho's Governor and Attorney General for their decisions to add Idaho's voice in support of the State of Mississippi's petition; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls upon the Supreme Court of the United States to correct the erroneous precedent and recognize the states' authority to defend the rights of the unborn.

Resolution 2021-43

A resolution to support the declaration of the Smith and Wesson Model 29 .44 Magnum as the official firearm of the State of Idaho

WHEREAS our Creator has endowed us with the right to self-defense;

WHEREAS the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution provides that “[a] well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.”;

WHEREAS Article 1, Section 11 of the Idaho Constitution provides that “[t]he people have the right to keep and bear arms, which right shall not be abridged...”;

WHEREAS the United States Supreme Court in *District of Columbia v. Heller*, 554 U.S. 570 (2008), held that the Second Amendment protects “the individual right to possess and carry weapons in case of confrontation...”;

WHEREAS the Smith and Wesson Model 29, is a prolific, symbolic, and well-known firearm with ties to the State of Idaho;

WHEREAS Elmer Keith was the driving force behind the development of the .44 magnum cartridge and his efforts helped lead to the production of the Model 29;

WHEREAS Elmer Keith was a renowned Idaho hunting guide, ballistics experimenter, rancher-owner, and gun writer who lived near Salmon, Idaho, in Lemhi County;

WHEREAS the Smith and Wesson Model 29 also has ties to Idaho through its use and promotion by internationally known gun and ballistics expert Kent Allen Lomont, who also lived in Lemhi County;

WHEREAS we believe that gun culture should be celebrated in the State of Idaho; and

WHEREAS we believe that honoring the Smith and Wesson Model 29 as the official firearm of the State of Idaho will effectively communicate to Idaho Citizens and potential Idaho settlers that Idaho will honor and respect their constitutional and God-given rights to defend themselves;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, upon the concurrence of Smith and Wesson, the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls upon the legislature of the State of Idaho to pass a resolution and/or bill declaring the Smith and Wesson Model 29 .44 Magnum to be the official firearm of the State of Idaho.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elmer_Keith

Elmer Merrifield Keith (March 8, 1899 – February 12, 1984) was an Idaho rancher, firearms enthusiast, and author. Keith encouraged Smith & Wesson to produce a commercial version of his new high pressure loading, and revolvers chambered for it. S&W produced the first prototype revolver chambered in .44 Magnum, the famous Model 29. Keith is credited by Roy G. Jinks as "the father of big bore handgunning."

Resolution 2021-47

A resolution rejecting so-called “progressive” policies and agendas

WHEREAS the United States was founded on conservative values and principles;

WHEREAS the United States Constitution was designed to limit the powers of the federal government and reserves the remainder to the States and the people (citizens);

WHEREAS the United States Bill of Rights acknowledges and guarantees certain rights of the people;

WHEREAS the State of Idaho has long been populated by a majority of citizens with conservative values and principles who respect the US Constitution and Bill of Rights; and

WHEREAS we reject liberal, “progressive” policies and agendas that are designed to increase the powers of the federal government and erode the liberties and freedoms of its citizenry:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we call upon the state legislature to resist, using all legal means available, “progressive” policies which create a bloated federal government and which burden the taxpaying citizens while simultaneously eroding their liberties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as representatives of the conservative people of the great State of Idaho, we expect our legislators to be among the first and loudest to stand against these policies and agendas.

Resolution 2021-48

A resolution condemning the actions of President Biden and his administration in Afghanistan

WHEREAS President Biden ordered the premature withdrawal of US troops from Afghanistan;

WHEREAS this withdrawal caused the abandonment of US citizens behind enemy lines;

WHEREAS this withdrawal caused abandonment for foreign nationals that assisted US efforts behind enemy lines resulting in the death of many of these people at the hands of the Taliban;

WHEREAS this decision is a betrayal of men and women who died in Afghanistan;

WHEREAS this decision is a betrayal of the men and women incapacitated and disabled for life in Afghanistan;

WHEREAS this decision is a betrayal of the families who lost sons, daughters, husbands, wives, fathers and mothers to death and disablement;

WHEREAS this action is a betrayal of the American armed forces that have defended our nation and our freedoms from enemies around the world;

WHEREAS this action betrayed America's allies;

WHEREAS the British parliament condemned President Biden's abandonment of the allies in Afghanistan;

WHEREAS the French condemned the abandonment of allied forces remaining in Afghanistan;

WHEREAS this betrayal will cause distrust by American allies around the world;

WHEREAS this betrayal will strengthen the influence of China and Russia around the world;

WHEREAS this action left over \$85 billion of materials including Apache helicopters, artillery, drones, armored personnel carriers, Humvees, night vision equipment, light arms and armament to make the Taliban forces one of the best equipped in the world;

WHEREAS the materials abandoned to the Taliban will contribute to the death and destruction of American citizens, loyal nationalists and Afghans;

WHEREAS this empowerment of the Taliban will sow terrorism in the Mideast and around the world; and

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WHEREAS the weakness and or duplicity displayed by these actions encourage our enemies and endanger Americans and American allies around the world:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican Party condemns the decisions and actions of President Biden and his administration, in the strongest possible way, for the total abandonment of American principles and values; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that President Biden be removed from office by impeachment, the 25th amendment or his own resignation.

Resolution 2021-49

A resolution in support of legislation to protect Idahoans from forced vaccine mandates

WHEREAS President Donald Trump’s Operation Warp Speed was a concerted effort between the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) and the Department of Defense (DOD) to help accelerate the development of a Covid-19 Vaccine while mitigating liability to manufacturers under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act;

WHEREAS the development of the Covid-19 vaccinations are currently in clinical trials and authorized for Emergency Use Only and have not been approved nor licensed by the Food and Drug Administration or have a long record of use without injury;

WHEREAS several businesses including major medical facilities in the State of Idaho are now enforcing an experimental Covid-19 vaccination as a condition of employment against the conscience of employees or be subject to immediate termination without cause;

WHEREAS the National Republican Party Platform respects the rights of conscience of healthcare professionals, doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and organizations;

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party Platform Article XIII overwhelmingly affirms individual rights in healthcare decisions and the right for all persons to conscientiously object to vaccines that conflict with their moral or religious beliefs;

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party Platform also expressly affirms under Article XIII the primary responsibility for the health and welfare of our citizens resides with the individual and their families, and not corporations;

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party Platform also believes and supports freedom of choice and personal responsibility in all medical decisions, including providers and treatments;

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party Platform sets forth that private enterprise shall have minimal government regulation, it does not say “no regulation”;

WHEREAS the Idaho Constitution SECTION 1, Article 1 states, “All men are by nature free and equal, and have certain inalienable rights, among which are enjoying and defending life and liberty; acquiring, possessing and protecting property; pursuing happiness and securing safety.”;

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WHEREAS the long term health, safety, and efficacy of these experimental vaccinations have yet to be determined;

WHEREAS the Idaho House of Representatives overwhelmingly passed House Concurrent Resolution No. 14 during the 2021 legislative session on a bipartisan basis, stating that “it is contrary to the policy of the State of Idaho to require, mandate, or force any person to receive any immunization, vaccination, inoculation, medical procedure, or genetic modulation against that person’s will”;

WHEREAS the Senate has not yet taken up House Concurrent Resolution No. 14 during the 2021 legislative session for a vote;

WHEREAS Idahoans are not adequately protected against forced vaccine mandates under Idaho law; and

WHEREAS HCR 14 affirms that “in a free society, the integrity of personal liberty should always be protected, even during times of exigency or emergency, such as the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee supports informed consent and an individual’s right to determine what is best for their health vs. forced vaccine mandates that may violate an individual’s conscience;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee requests that the State Party Chairman, Tom Luna, send a formal request to the Republican Legislature asking them to reconvene to take up forced vaccine mandates;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee also strongly urges the Republican members of the Idaho Legislature to immediately pass legislation that protects Idahoans against coercive vaccine mandates that go against the conscience of Idahoans, to remain in harmony with the National and Idaho Republican Party Platforms and the State Constitution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee requests that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to all Idaho Republican members of the Legislature.

Resolution 2021-50

A resolution opposing workplace coercion

WHEREAS it is the primary role of government to protect the rights of the individual;

WHEREAS coercion is the use of express or implied threats of violence or reprisal, such as discharge from employment, or other intimidating behavior that puts a person in immediate fear of the consequences in order to compel that person to act against his or her will;

WHEREAS a gene therapy or vaccine is designed to permanently and irrevocably alter a person's physiology;

WHEREAS individuals may have objections to having their bodies permanently altered; and

WHEREAS Idaho Code Title 44 Chapter 20 specifies that it is the public policy of the state of Idaho that the "right to work shall not be subject to undue restraint or coercion," whether by a union, employer, contractor, health district, school board, municipality, Department of Health and Welfare, legislative action, Idaho administrative procedure (IDAPA Rule) or any other governmental overlay within the State of Idaho:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee call on the Idaho Legislature to enact legislation to prohibit any and all discrimination based on vaccine inoculation, genetic modulation, gene therapy or immunization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee's Liaison to the Idaho legislature respectfully urge state lawmakers to analyze and revise state law as needed to ensure that individuals are not coerced into allowing permanent modifications to their persons by a medical procedure or other means.