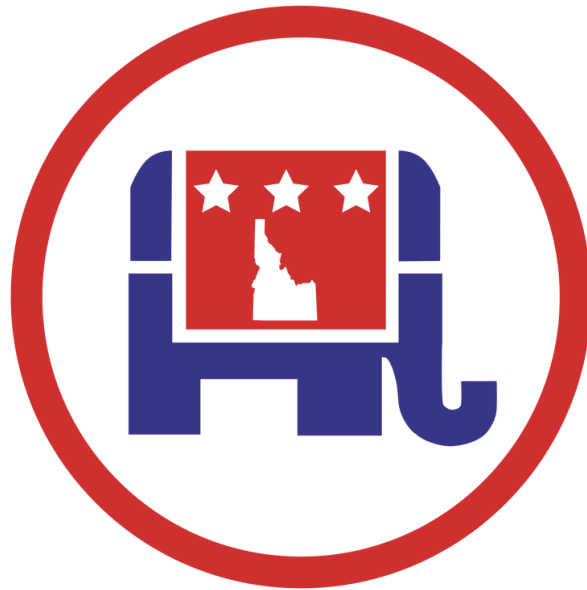


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Resolution 2022-01

A resolution to honor and remember Daniel Howard Johnson

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS Daniel Howard Johnson, friend and honored member of the Idaho Republican Party, passed away at 51 years of age;

WHEREAS Dan was a friend and a colleague whom exemplified the values of Faith, Family, and Freedom that the Idaho Republican Party holds dear;

WHEREAS Dan left behind a wife as well as three children whom he tirelessly taught those very values;

WHEREAS Dan was a frequent worker and volunteer for the Idaho Republican Party;

WHEREAS Dan even served in place of then-Senator Russ Fulcher in the Idaho Senate;

WHEREAS Dan was an active and exemplary District Chairman;

WHEREAS Dan was a mentor to many novice Precinct Committeemen and District Chairmen;

WHEREAS Dan was a strong voice in both local and state committees of both principles and unity; and

WHEREAS Dan has indeed touched many lives in the Idaho Republican Party:

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee directs its headquarters to forward a copy of this resolution to Mr. Johnson's family.

Proposed Resolution 2022-02

A resolution affirming that parents have the primary responsibility to oversee and choose the form of their children’s education.

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS Article III, Section 1 of the Platform of the Idaho Republican Party states that “Only in the rarest of situations should government assume the responsibilities reserved to parents.”;

WHEREAS Article III, Section 3, of the Platform of the Idaho Republican Party asserts that “We believe in improving the quality of education for every child by maximizing parental choice through expanded support for public charter schools, public virtual charter schools, school choice 5 programs, and accountable public school systems.”;

WHEREAS the State of Idaho has no responsibility for primary or secondary education other than to assure the thoroughness, quality and efficiency of the offerings listed above;

WHEREAS the National Platform of the Republican Party affirms that “Parents are a child’s first and foremost educators, and have primary responsibility for the education of their children. Parents have a right to direct their children’s education, care, and upbringing. . . We reject a one-size-fits-all approach to education and support a broad range of choices for parents and children at the state and local level.”; and

WHEREAS any law, policy, tax or subsidy designed to bias a parent’s options in favor of, or against a particular educational choice, is an unwarranted intrusion of government in a decision that is exclusively the domain of parents:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chair of the Idaho Republican State Central Committee shall advise the Idaho House and Senate Education Committees that the Party’s educational priorities are (1) providing educational choice to parents without bias, and (2) assuring education provided by the State of Idaho is of sufficient quality and thoroughness to be competitive with options generally available privately, on-line, or in-home; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the Idaho Republican State Central Committee and state office staff may engage through public comment, testimony or media in favor of parental involvement in public education, and against all attempts to discourage such involvement.

Proposed Resolution 2022-03

A resolution recognizing parents as primary stakeholders, and political participants in their children’s education, and other rights

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS, on September 29th, 2021, the National School Board Association asked President Joe Biden, a Democrat, to label parents as Domestic Terrorists for questioning Local School Board policies;

WHEREAS, on September 30th, 2021, President Joe Biden’s Democratic Education Secretary Miguel Cardona would not affirm that parents are the “primary stakeholder” in their kids’ education, during his testimony before the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions;

WHEREAS the constitution of the State of Idaho, Article III Legislative Department, Section 24 states: “PROMOTION OF TEMPERANCE AND MORALITY. The first concern of all good government is the virtue and sobriety of the people and the purity of the home.”;

WHEREAS Idaho Statute Title 33, Chapter 60, paragraph 2 states: “(2) School district and the boards of directors of public charter schools, in consultation with parents, teachers and administrators, shall develop and adopt a policy to promote the involvement of parents and guardians of children enrolled in the schools within the school district or the charter school...”;

WHEREAS Idaho statute Title 32, Chapter 11, IDAHO PARENTAL RIGHTS ACT paragraph 2 and 3 state: “The interests and role of parents in the care, custody and control of their children are both implicit in the concept of ordered liberty and deeply rooted in our nation’s history and tradition. They are also among the unalienable rights retained by the people under the ninth amendment to the Constitution of the United States. The interests of the parents include the high duty and right to nurture and direct their children’s destiny, including their upbringing and education”;

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party supports the strengthening of families and parental rights;

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party believes that parents are the primary stakeholders in their children’s education and are ultimately responsible for what their children are taught; and

WHEREAS, being the primary stakeholders and responsible for what their children are taught, parents have the unalienable right to be a part of the political process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee urges the National School Board Association to rescind their September 29, 2021, letter to President Joe Biden asking him and his administration to label parents as Domestic Terrorists and, by extension, limiting parental participation in the political process;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee publicly declares their affirmation for parents as the Primary Stakeholders & Political Participants in defense of their children's education, well-being, and future; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee implores the Idaho State Legislature to pass a bill to clearly define terrorism and domestic terrorism in Idaho code as being criminal acts tied only to international terrorist organizations (see US State Department terrorist list) and to distinguish it from criminal activity not associated with any international terrorist organization.

Proposed Resolution 2022-04

A resolution promoting 1776 Commission educational curricula

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS the 45th President of the United States declared, “Our mission is to defend the legacy of America's founding, the virtue of America's heroes, and the nobility of the American character. We must clear away the twisted web of lies in our schools and classrooms, and teach our children the magnificent truth about our country. We want our sons and daughters to know that they are the citizens of the most exceptional nation in the history of the world.”;

WHEREAS the most recent Republican Secretary of Education has said, “The federal government, the Department of Education, does not have a role in a national curriculum. Curriculum is best left to the states and local districts at local education agencies, but we can talk about curriculum that actually honors and respects our history and embraces all of the parts of our history and continues to build on that.”;

WHEREAS Nobel Prize-winning economist Herb Simon famously noted “You can’t beat something with nothing.”; and

WHEREAS President Trump’s 1776 Commission has spurred the thinking of historians and scholars across the nation to document and develop a method for teaching American history without incorporating a destructive political agenda, among the most successful results of which are the Woodson Center’s 1776 Unites and the Hillsdale 1776 Curriculum projects:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee encourage Governor Brad Little to seek a policy from the Idaho State Board of Education with regard to the availability and adoption of American history curricula that follows the guidance of the President’s 1776 Commission Report; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Republican County and Legislative District Central Committees be made aware of the “1776 Pledge” (<https://www.1776action.org/pledge/candidate/>) as an optional tool for screening candidates for local school boards, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and other public offices with influence over the teaching of American history.

Proposed Resolution 2022-05

A resolution to modify the Idaho Sunshine Law to simplify recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the proceeds from the sale of commercially available items at a campaign event

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party supports full reporting of all candidate and political committee finances to the Secretary of State;

WHEREAS it has become common practice for both candidates and committees to engage in the sale of common merchandise such as hats, shirts, coins, signs, buttons, and other similar commercial items;

WHEREAS most such organizations do not have the infrastructure required to engage in such sales as a normal commercial enterprise would;

WHEREAS the value of each individual sale at a political event overwhelmingly falls under the \$50 reporting requirement;

WHEREAS such sale, while providing financial support for the candidate or political committee, is more closely aligned with a commercial transaction than an outright contribution in part because there is an exchange of goods for payment; and

WHEREAS the reporting requirements impose an unduly burdensome recordkeeping requirement on the candidate or political organization:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee supports the adoption of legislation that would permit a candidate or political committee to engage in the sale of commercial campaign-related items at a political event and to permit the political treasurer for such candidate or political committee to report such sales in the aggregate without a requirement to keep a record of each individual sale; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee supports the adoption of additional legislation that would exempt such sales from a requirement to collect and report the sales tax from such events.

Proposed Resolution 2022-06

A resolution to modify the Idaho Code Section to add political committees organized under Section 517 of the Internal Revenue Code to the definition of charitable and non-profit organizations authorized to conduct raffles

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS the raffling of items has a long history of being a successful fundraiser;

WHEREAS current Idaho Code limits the conduction of a raffle to only certain charitable organizations operating under section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code and non-profit organizations falling under Idaho Code 30-30;

WHEREAS political parties knowingly violating Idaho law by conducting a raffle are subject to a fine of up to \$10,000;

WHEREAS proceeds from a raffle would permit all participants to support a political party rather than the single winner of a silent auction; and

WHEREAS raffles are an entertaining way of spurring interest in the local party while also raising funds:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee supports the adoption of legislation that would permit a local or state political party organized under Section 517 of the Internal Revenue Code to conduct raffles for the purpose of raising funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such permission shall include compliance with all laws and regulations that are currently imposed on charitable and non-profit organizations currently permitted to conduct raffles.

Proposed Resolution 2022-13

A resolution in support of an Idaho election forensic audit

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS our Constitutional Republic is founded on free and honest elections,

WHEREAS there are unresolved questions on the integrity of the 2020 Presidential election, and

WHEREAS there is growing support for a Forensic Audit of the Idaho 2020 election:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee fully support a Statewide Forensic Audit of the November 2020 Presidential Election, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution be sent to the Secretary of State, the Honorable Lawrence Denney and all members of the Idaho Senate and House of Representatives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee requests that the Idaho Legislature enacts Legislation that puts in place the mechanics of Forensic Audits to maintain ongoing election integrity.

Proposed Resolution 2022-14

A resolution against the United Nations Comprehensive Sexuality Education agenda

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS parents in the United States of America and around the world are waking up to the disturbing reality that their children are being subjected to a new form of radical sex education called Comprehensive Sexuality Education, or CSE;

WHEREAS “systematic sexual indoctrination” would be a better description of the Comprehensive Sexuality Education programs being dished up—sometimes daily—to children in countries as diverse as Namibia, Nepal, and in the United States from Montana to Michigan to Maine;

WHEREAS Minnesota state Rep. Kathy Lohmer, a Republican, calls CSE “pornography,” saying: “It is something even some of my colleagues, men especially, on the House floor did not want to look at. We couldn’t show this on the 10 [o’clock] news, yet we want our fourth-grade children to be looking at this.”;

WHEREAS the federal government is using our tax dollars to give Planned Parenthood organizations and their partners a total of \$101 million in grants annually to implement radical, sexually graphic, abortion-rights-promoting CSE programs, which began under the Obama administration and still continue today;

WHEREAS Dr. Michelle Cretella, executive director of the American College of Pediatricians, in the documentary *The War on Children: The Comprehensive Sexuality Education Agenda*, warns: “First, it sexualizes children; second, it threatens children’s health; third, it promotes a very dangerous gender ideology; and fourth, it undermines the parent-child relationship, which violates parental rights;

WHEREAS the U.S. House of Representatives is also seeking to impose dangerous gender ideology on children in schools through *The Equality Act*. This House-passed legislation could lead to federally mandated curriculum as well as controversial policies that threaten students’ safety and privacy and fairness in girls’ sports. Several senators are attempting to pass this bill as well;

WHEREAS this radical “guidance” redefines abstinence to mean not simply abstaining from sex but also “deciding when and with whom to have sex.”

WHEREAS the International Planned Parenthood Federation is the largest provider of CSE programs worldwide, and its affiliate, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, is the largest CSE provider in the United States;

WHEREAS Planned Parenthood's international group has 65,000 service points in 170 countries, and the sexualization of children increases the flow of money to their coffers. The more that Comprehensive Sexuality Education is adopted, the more children and teenagers become customers for condoms, contraceptives, abortions, and treatment for sexually-transmitted diseases, and now, cross-sex hormones. CSE is the No. 1 tool for advancing abortion worldwide by indoctrinating the next generation in abortion and sexual rights ideology and advocacy; and

WHEREAS Many CSE programs that were analyzed according to the 15 Harmful CSE Elements analysis tool actually refer children to Planned Parenthood clinics at some point:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee is opposed to any implementation of the United Nations' Comprehensive Sexuality Education program in any school, public or private, in Idaho and anywhere in the United States of America;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee urges all Idaho state legislators and Idaho's Congressional delegation to oppose all measures intended to fund or promote Comprehensive Sexuality Education in Idaho or anywhere in the United States;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee shall take out prominent advertisements in one or more local newspapers and other media to oppose the CSE program and to alert the public to its dangers; no United Nations program of any type be allowed in any Idaho school; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee shall forward this resolution to each Idaho state legislator and each member of Idaho's Congressional delegation before the end of this year, 2022.

Proposed Resolution 2022-15

Resolution to Prohibit Coerced Medical treatment

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

Whereas governments, in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, have implemented policies that have placed limitations on the liberties and freedoms of Idahoans;

Whereas the freedom to determine one's own medical and health decisions has been violated;

Whereas measures have been taken by both private and public entities that are coercive in nature to the health decisions of Idahoans;

Whereas discrimination is inherent in certain COVID-19 response policies and procedures;

Whereas bodily autonomy of the born and pre-born is the most basic and fundamental of human rights;

Whereas restrictions of such basic liberties and freedoms have had unmitigated costs to the citizens of Idaho;

Now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican Party notify the members of the Idaho Senate and the Idaho House of Representatives that it should adopt and place on the general election ballot for public approval a constitutional amendment to prohibit coerced medical treatments and recognize the health freedom rights of every Idahoan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican Party endorse said constitutional amendment once placed on the ballot and encourage its adoption; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican Party requests that the Idaho Legislature adopt statutes to protect the health freedom of Idahoans at its earliest convening.

Proposed Resolution 2022 – 16

Resolution Encouraging Repeal of SB1143 Community Rating

Passed by the standing resolutions committee on Friday, January 7, 2022 for consideration by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee.

WHEREAS, Medicare Supplement (Medigap) carriers such as Aetna, Cigna, and others, are fleeing Idaho’s marketplace due to government overreach through Community Rating;

WHEREAS, tens of thousands of Medicare Supplement beneficiaries will likely be forced from their desired healthcare coverage due to premium rate increases as a result of Community Rating;

WHEREAS, seniors living in rural counties will ultimately suffer the most financial harm and, eleven (11) counties will have no option whatsoever for curbing the impact of Community Rating. Those counties are: Bear Lake, Benewah, Butte, Caribou, Clearwater, Custer, Idaho, Lemhi, Lewis, Oneida, Teton;

WHEREAS, the senior population of Idaho is increasing at a rate never seen before in the state and are in need of a strong, vibrant marketplace, free of government overreach;

WHEREAS, the “Birthday Rule” language of SB1143 protects older residents from price gouging and pooling; therefore, the Community Rating language of SB1143 is not necessary;

WHEREAS, only eight states have implemented similar law (Kentucky, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, and Washington);

WHEREAS, of the eight (8) states with similar law, several states have repealed their law due to the unforeseen consequences of Community Rating;

WHEREAS, Idaho’s legislators were not fully aware of the gravity of their vote on SB1143;

WHEREAS, Idaho’s legislators may not have considered that they too will become subject to the financial harm enacted by Community Rating;

WHEREAS, Idaho is a Conservative State and should not be engaged in harmful controlling legislation, especially regarding senior citizen’s healthcare coverage;

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Idaho State Republican Central Committee adamantly opposes legislators voting to enact such harmful legislation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we strongly urge the legislature to draft a Bill to repeal the Community Rating portion of SB1143 and provide for public input before the Health & Welfare Committee.