



A RESOLUTION HONORING ROBERT “MIKE” DUNCAN FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan has been a lifelong member of the Republican Party, having attended 10 national conventions;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan began serving his country in 1989 with an appointment to the President’s Commission on Executive Exchange;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan has served on numerous committees for the Republican Party of Kentucky, including its State Executive Committee, State Central Committee, and Budget Committee;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan has served in a leadership capacity for the Republican Party of Kentucky as its Budget Committee Chairman, National Committeeman, and State Chairman;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan served as Assistant Director of the White House Office of Public Liaison under President George H.W. Bush;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan served as Chairman of the Republican National Committee from 2007 to 2009;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority from 2006 to 2012 and as the Board’s Chairman from 2009 to 2010;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan was President and Chief Executive Officer of the American Coalition for Clean Coal Electricity from 2012 to 2016;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan served as a member of the Electoral College in 2016;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan was named the 17th Chairman of the President’s Commission on White House Fellowships in 2017;

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority from 2006 to 2012 and as the Board’s Chairman from 2009 to 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mike Duncan was nominated by President Donald J. Trump and confirmed by the Senate to the Postal Service Board of Governors in August 2018 and served as the 23rd Chairman of the Board of Governors from September 2018 to February 2021; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee celebrates Mike Duncan’s long and distinguished record of service and leadership; and

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee congratulates Mike Duncan on his lifetime of service and wishes him, his wife Joanne, and his family well as they continue to serve the people of Kentucky and the Republican Party.



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RESOLUTION URGING A “RETURN TO EXCELLENCE” IN AMERICAN VOTING AND ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, To present a formal Resolution from the Republican National Committee for declared opposition to voting manipulation schemes and to return to the functional and historic balloting and polling experience that Americans understand, appreciate, and love;

WHEREAS, The mission of the Republican Party is to act as the party that encourages and allows the broadest possible participation to all voters and to assure that the Republican Party is open and accessible to all Americans;

WHEREAS, Ensuring the integrity of our voting and election administration is critical and foundational to maintaining a civil and decent society decentralized from a federal government as the Founders intended;

WHEREAS, Americans expect accurate and swift determinations as it pertains to elections and the administration of elections;

WHEREAS, Elections have been under assault from those on the Left as they attempt to implement schemes and intentionally inject chaotic administrative changes that have drastically changed how elections are conducted in hundreds of the most populous counties and regions across the nation;

WHEREAS, Election officials are obligated to apply polling place access equitably in states, and should not eliminate polling places in order and to move to “vote center” models that make polling place access more difficult in more conservative areas;

WHEREAS, Democrats are passing non-citizen voting laws in liberal cities, which the Republican National Committee has previously resolved to oppose and ensure only United States citizens decide our elections;

WHEREAS, Republican officials are explicitly asking for decisive direction and support from the national Republican apparatus and elected Republican leadership;

WHEREAS, The grassroots activists of the Republican Party have discovered and made it abundantly clear that there are recognized problems with electronic election procedures and intentional complications of instituted systems that complicate, belabor, and slow down our election processes;

WHEREAS, Election experts agree that the most resilient voting systems use paper ballots, either marked by hand or with an assistive device, and are verified by the voter before any means of tabulation; and

WHEREAS, The Republican National Committee has unanimously opposed complicated election schemes like Ranked Choice Voting that is a clear example of the chaos being pushed on our states and territories; therefore, be it



RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee boldly opposes means of voting that do not have the proper safeguards in place and are exclusively electronic and calls on every county and state in the nation to use as the default ballot systems, which are fully auditable, namely hand-marked, voter-verified paper ballots to ensure every voter is memorialized by a paper record;

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee calls on secretaries of state of each state to implement anti-counterfeit ballot printing, tracing and verification procedures;

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee formed a special Election Integrity Committee designed to offer ideas, suggestions and reports on election equipment and voting procedures and it will integrate its findings of best practices through the Election Integrity Department and communicating its findings on voting schemes, balloting systems, election equipment, and safeguards to elected officials, candidates, and voters;

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee supports the rights of counties and states that are willing and able to competently and efficiently implement voting procedures that do not require the use of machines and those that implement hand counting procedures that are fully auditable;

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee calls on state legislatures, county, and municipal governments to pass laws and municipal codes and rules that allow for full transparent hand-counting procedures that are planned, timely and fully observable by the public and the registered parties for geographically defined audits and recounts;

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee calls on all Republican officeholders to defend the historic practice of geographically-defined and assigned precinct, ward and localized polling places for means of balloting and tabulating paper ballots by geographic unit;

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee stands firmly behind voter identification laws and calls on state legislatures to pass laws to ensure every voter is verified to be the actual voter regardless of method in which they vote at the time of voting, casting, or delivering a ballot;

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee hereby opposes any and all efforts for states to unreasonably expand time periods for early or vote-by-mail that makes ballot counting procedures intentionally unmanageable or incapable to complete expeditiously following the conclusion of an election on election day;

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee calls for elimination of temporary or ‘pop-up’ voting locations, drop boxes, and any other voting center that are not fairly defined and bound to a designated geographic territory and where voting locations exist, namely by precinct, so that voting is accessible equitably by legal precinct, ward or defined geographic unit in order to provide impartial access for all voters; and

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee calls for a necessary “return to excellence” or in other words, a return to the simple and proven methods of precinct, ward or geographically-defined localized voting with auditable balloting procedures using paper ballots, in fair, reasonable limited time periods, using proper identification to strengthen voter confidence and to ensure that American election procedures can be a fair and open process for all to participate.

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN EMERGENCY DECLARATION
FOR THE SOUTHERN BORDER**

WHEREAS, The Republican National Committee (RNC) is committed to protecting the United States' borders;

WHEREAS, Article 4 Section 4 of the U.S. Constitution guarantees to every State in this Union protection against invasion and/or domestic violence;

WHEREAS, On February 8, 2023, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection's aerostat/balloon monitoring program to secure our overwhelmed Southern Border was drastically cut allegedly based on a lack of funding;

WHEREAS, On February 15, 2023, Sheriff Urbino "Benny" Martinez testified at the first Congressional hearing on the Texas border that state and local police have observed nearly 2,000 Mexican Cartel drones flying overhead in three Texas counties over the past month;

WHEREAS, The Southern Border is now a gateway for Mexican Cartel activities including human trafficking and the smuggling of illegal drugs including fentanyl;

WHEREAS, It is of the utmost importance that our own aerostat/balloon/drone technological capabilities exceed those of countries and adversaries hostile to the United States; and

WHEREAS, If United States federal officials continue to shirk their constitutional duty to protect our borders, our country cannot defend our national sovereignty; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee affirms that effective measures shall be taken to ensure accountability of taxpayer monies transferred to protect the borders of other countries when United States borders are unprotected;

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee affirms that protecting the United States border is the priority;

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee also affirms that aerostat and drone technology serve as an integral part of protecting our borders;

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee urges Congress to take measures to reverse the reduction of aerostats being used to monitor the overwhelmed Southern Border;

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee urges Congress to take measures to provide military-grade drones and training to law enforcement working to secure the southern border as appropriate;

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee declares that Article 4 Section 4 of the U.S. Constitution also serves to protect our citizens against invasion by cartels engaged in human and drug trafficking and illegal immigration;



RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee supports development of systems to detect and defeat balloons that may bear weapon systems such as EMP devices and spy hardware before they enter the United States Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ); and

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee urges Congress to declare a National Emergency and take all measures to protect all United States borders beginning with the Southern Border.



RESOLUTION TO PROTECT CHILDREN FROM UNSAFE SEX TRAIT MODIFICATION AND EXPERIMENTATION

WHEREAS, Our nation has consistently maintained that parents are the best caretakers of their children unless the parents are proven to be unfit;

WHEREAS, Children's cognitive functioning continues to develop through and past the age of eighteen, and as such children are not equipped to make permanent, life-long decisions about medical procedures;

WHEREAS, Altering a person's sexual traits through medication and surgery (aka "gender-affirming" procedures) is experimental and has not been shown to provide a benefit to children;

WHEREAS, The vast majority of children who experience distress related to the reality of their sex come to accept their sex in adolescence or adulthood as long as they are allowed to go through uninterrupted puberty in their own sex;

WHEREAS, There are no long-term longitudinal studies evaluating the risks and benefits of prescribing drugs such as puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones to children who experience distress related to the reality of their sex;

WHEREAS, The use of cross-sex hormones comes with serious long-term health risks including harms to bone, heart disease, irreversible infertility, and other severe effects on the body;

WHEREAS, The use of puberty blockers can cause permanent health problems, including reduced bone density, stunted brain development, flatlined height, and increased risk of osteoporosis and bone fractures;

WHEREAS, Finland, Sweden, and the United Kingdom have banned puberty blockers for public or non-research use and it is reasonable to expect the rest of the world will follow suit;

WHEREAS, The U.S. is an extreme outlier in the world in allowing invasive, permanent and irreversible sex trait modification surgeries in youth under eighteen years old;

WHEREAS, There is troubling evidence that mortality rates including deaths by suicide remain markedly elevated above the background population after inpatient sex trait modification procedures have been performed;

WHEREAS, Neither puberty blockers nor cross-sex hormones have been FDA-approved to treat children struggling with distress related to their sex;

WHEREAS, Children and adolescents cannot consent to experimental interventions with unproven benefits and proven harms of loss of future sexual and reproductive functions, because children and adolescents cannot anticipate the importance of these adult functions in their lives;



WHEREAS, Several quality systematic reviews of the evidence have been conducted, and no review has been able to detect any credible benefits of youth gender transitions;

RESOLVED, That parents have the fundamental right to direct the health care decisions for their children;

RESOLVED, That children have the fundamental right to be protected from permanent, risky, and experimental sex trait modification procedures until they reach the age of majority;

RESOLVED, That children should be encouraged to love and accept their bodies;

RESOLVED, Republicans stand against K-12 educational institutions that teach unscientific, false information about biological sex, gender identity theory, and whether sex is binary and immutable in nature;

RESOLVED, That Federal funding should not be used for sex trait modification procedures on children in healthcare settings;

RESOLVED, That insurance companies should not be mandated to pay for sex trait modification procedures on children;

RESOLVED, That insurance companies should provide the same coverage for any reversal procedures if they pay for sex trait modification procedures in the first place; and

RESOLVED, That any treatments on children must be based on a systematic review of the evidence.

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RESOLUTION TO PUT THE VITAL NATIONAL INTEREST OF THE UNITED STATES FIRST IN DEALING WITH COMMUNIST CHINA

WHEREAS, Events on the world stage show the Biden Administration consistently taking a posture of weakness with respect to the Chinese Communist Party (CCP);

WHEREAS, In early 2023, the Biden Administration allowed the CCP to fly a spy balloon across the United States conducting surveillance including over sensitive defense/national security installations;

WHEREAS, An emboldened CCP is enhancing intelligence operations it has had in Cuba since 2019;

WHEREAS, The war in Ukraine has been perpetuated in part by the CCP's financing of Russia in the invasion and subsequent war;

WHEREAS, Recent revelations of payments from China to the Biden family call into question whether the current Administration's ability to place U.S. interests before China's demands has been compromised;

WHEREAS, Chen Wenling, Chief Economist at the China Center for International Economic Exchanges called on China to "seize corporations that rightfully belong to China, such as Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC)";

WHEREAS, TSMC supports the United States defense industry with advanced semiconductors for America's national defense;

WHEREAS, Taiwan produces approximately 60% of the world's supply of technology chips required by American consumers for virtually everything we use every day;

WHEREAS, In 2022 and 2023, many Chinese military planes have flown into Taiwan's Air Defense Identification Zone as China has conducted countless missile tests in close proximity to Taiwan;

WHEREAS, The U.S. military has reported extensively on China's "rapidly expanding military posture"; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan is preparing for a potential Chinese invasion and the U.S., Taiwan, and allies such as Japan and South Korea anticipate China's potential plans to try to annex Taiwan; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee supports the United States' strong historical commitment to Taiwan, and its right to defend itself, thus strengthening Taiwan, while protecting national security interests of the United States; and



As Adopted by the Resolutions Committee

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee calls for the United States to send an unambiguous message that we will defend our own vital national security interests wherever in the world they are threatened.

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**RESOLUTION TO URGE CONGRESS TO ADDRESS FOREIGN NATIONALS OWNING LAND
NEAR U.S. MILITARY BASES AND ENFORCE RECIPROCAL BANS**

WHEREAS, With many areas of the world on heightened alert due to geopolitical aggression of foreign nations, it is imperative that the United States take stock of what influence foreign entities are having within our borders;

WHEREAS, Companies linked to the Chinese Communist Party have been actively purchasing real estate within the United States;

WHEREAS, In 2022, it was reported that the Chinese manufacturing company Fufeng Group was seeking to purchase land near an air force base in North Dakota;

WHEREAS, This action prompted fifty-one Republican members of Congress to send a letter to three of President Biden's Cabinet secretaries concerning the national security threat posed by this development;

WHEREAS, Foreign investments in agriculture abroad by China is not a new or recent development;

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Agriculture in 2018 reported that China's overseas investments in agriculture, forestry, and fishing has increased over tenfold between 2009 and 2016;

WHEREAS, Countries banning foreign citizens from purchasing or holding land within their borders is not an unfamiliar concept;

WHEREAS, Many countries in Southeast Asia do not allow foreign nationals to purchase and hold land within their borders; and

WHEREAS, The People's Republic of China, and other countries based on a socialist-style system of government do not allow the private ownership of real estate; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee urges the U.S. Congress to prohibit the purchase or receipt of real estate by adversarial foreign entities and governments or individuals hostile to the United States, when that land sits near land deemed critical to either infrastructure or national security; and

RESOLVED, That the U.S. Congress is urged to enforce reciprocal bans where countries or foreign government backed entities prohibit U.S. citizens from holding private real estate interests in their country.

